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Introduced by SENATOR VICENTE C. SOTTO III

## RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GAMES, AMUSEMENT AND SPORTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, AND LOOK INTO, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE PROLIFERATION OF FOREIGN ATHLETES OR IMPORTS IN THE VARIOUS UNIVERSITY SPORTING LEAGUES SUCH AS UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES (UAAP), NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION (NCAA), NATIONAL COLLEGIATE BASKETBALL LEAGUE (NCBL), AND OTHER SIMILAR LEAGUES; WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF RECRUITING IMPORTS, THAT MAY RESULT TO DEGRADATION AND DEPRIVATION OF LOCAL UNIVERSITY ATHLETES FROM ITS WELL-DESERVE BREAKS IN SCHOLASTIC MEETS

**WHEREAS**, foreign athletes have competitive advantage local athletes where they often played majority of the playing time in a game ,as a result, our local athletes weakened their potential to profound their entire offensive and defensive ballgame skills that deprive them to excel, heighten their talents as well as their professional goal;

**WHEREAS**, the role of our professional players who develop and hone their skills in the university and collegiate leagues are vastly diminished over a dominant foreign players;

**WHEREAS**, allegedly the foreign players considered instant gamechangers in the local basketball scene due to their advantage in terms of physical stature, athleticism and skill where they can take cellar-dweller teams and instantly turn them into title contenders, an indication of the type of dominance they are capable of;

**WHEREAS,** it has come to my attention that collegiate imports have been recruited by various universities, that transformed these leagues to a foreign-dominated sporting events;

**WHEREAS**, that instead of pushing university leagues to recruit the best foreign participants available, they should focus on our local athletes. The league should focus on providing our home-brewed athletes the best opportunity to develop and create etched in our Philippine Sports and the first step of achieving this is going all Filipino as intended the rest of the way.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to urge the Senate Committee on Games, Amusement and Sports to conduct an inquiry, and look into, in aid of legislation, the proliferation of foreign athletes or imports in the various university sporting leagues such as University Athletic Association of the Philippines (UAAP), National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), National Collegiate Basketball League (NCBL), and other similar leagues; with the end in view of regulating the practice of recruiting imports, that may result to degradation and deprivation of local university athletes from its well-deserve breaks in scholastic meets.

Adopted,

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Senator