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	Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago				
1 2 3 4 5	RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT NOT A SINGLE FLYABLE AIRCRAFT OF THE PHILIPPINE AIR FORCE WAS INSURED AS OF 2013				
6	WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 28, provides: "Subject to				
7	reasonable conditions prescribed by law, the State adopts and implements a policy of full				
8	public disclosure of all its transactions involving public interest";				
9	WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 656, otherwise known as the "Property Insurance				
10	Law," states, in Section 5:				
11	Every government, except a municipal government below first class,				
12	is hereby required to insure its properties, with the Fund against any				
13	insurable risk herein provided and pay the premiums thereon, which,				
14	however, shall not exceed the premiums charged by private insurance				
15	companies;				
16	WHEREAS, state auditors found that not one flyable aircraft of the Philippine Air				
17	Force was insured with the General Insurance Fund of the Government Services				
18	Insurance System (GSIS) as of 2013;				
19	WHEREAS, the Commission on Audit (COA), in its recently released report on				
20	the Air Force, claimed that the agency's failure to insure its aircraft is in violation of R.A.				
21	No. 656, and does not protect government interest;				

- 1 WHEREAS, state auditors alleged that the non-insurance of aircraft deprives the
- 2 government of recoverable amount in case of any damage or loss of aircraft due to fire,
- 3 earthquake, storm, or other casualties;
- WHEREAS, it is the duty of the government to protect the interest of the people
- 5 by insuring all properties acquired through public funds;
- 6 WHEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE
- 7 to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the
- 8 recent Commission on Audit report that not a single flyable aircraft of the Philippine Air
- 9 Force was insured as of 2013.

Adopted,

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