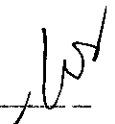


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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED PROLIFERATION OF ILLEGAL COSMETIC PRODUCTS IN THE COUNTRY, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF CRAFTING APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION THAT WOULD REGULATE, IF NOT BAN, THE SALE OF COSMETICS WITH QUESTIONABLE NATURE IN ORDER TO PROTECT THE GENERAL PUBLIC

WHEREAS, the protection of public health is a paramount policy issue especially as this principle echoes the constitutional mandate of the State to protect the health of its citizens and to adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential health services available to all;

WHEREAS, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) found at least thirty-seven (37) products being sold in the market that do not have FDA notification and, twenty-eight (28) more that were tested to contain high levels of lead and mercury;

WHEREAS, news reports reveal that EcoWaste Coalition, an environmental advocacy group, submitted a list of illegal cosmetic products to the FDA and that these were from certain drug stores, beauty and herbal product retailers, and general merchandise stores from over 50 cities nationwide;

WHEREAS, there is a need to investigate this matter and review existing laws and policies being implemented by the government anent the sale of cosmetic products and institute policies to address this concern;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Philippine Senate directs the Senate Committees on Health and Demography and other appropriate Senate committees to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the reported proliferation of illegal cosmetic products in the country, with the end in view of crafting appropriating legislations that would regulate, if not ban, the sale of cosmetics with questionable nature in order to protect the general public.

Adopted,


MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID