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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT REPORT THAT ONLY 21 OUT OF 82 AIRPORT FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES WERE COVERED BY THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM IN 2014

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 5, provides: "The maintenance of peace
 and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare
 are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

WHEREAS, state auditors claimed in their recently released audit report that not all of the properties owned by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP) were insured with the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) in 2014;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Audit (COA) explained that the uninsured properties—
including buildings, equipment and other insurable properties—were not protected against loss
resulting from man-made calamities and force majeure;

WHEREAS, government properties with a total market value of #10.118 billion were
 allegedly registered under the CAAP in 2014, but were only insured up to a total amount of
 #12.308 million under industrial all-risk insurance;

WHEREAS, state auditors further claimed that only 21 out of 82 airport facilities were
 insured under airport liability insurance up to \$\mathbf{P}4.2\$ million;

WHEREAS, the COA was also allegedly unable to determine the total amount of insurable properties of the CAAP due to the agency's failure to submit complete physical inventory reports;

- WHEREAS, officials reportedly claimed that they were in the process of validating other
 properties owned by the CAAP that were not insured;
- WHEREAS, state auditors however charged that they have already notified the CAAP of the need to insure properties in their audit report in 2013;

WHEREAS, the COA urged the CAAP to finish the inventory of all properties, apply for insurance for such properties with the GSIS, and, if not approved, have the properties covered by any private insurance company; 1 WHEREFORE, the Congress must review existing legislation, with the goal of 2 improving compliance with the requirement to insure all government properties;

WHEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the Commission on Audit report that only 21 out of 82 airport facilities operated by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines were covered by the Government Service Insurance System in 2014.

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