


13th Congress of the Republic)
of the Philippines)
First Regular Session)

'04 SEP 22 P4:58

SENATE
S.Res. No. **104**

RECEIVED BY : 

Introduced by Senator Aquilino Q. Pimentel, Jr.

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE STATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 7394 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CONSUMERS ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, MORE PARTICULARLY INTO THE SALE OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND TO INSTITUTE REMEDIES AGAINST FRAUDULENT PRODUCT WARRANTIES

Whereas, Section 9, Article XVI of the 1987 Constitution provides that "the State shall protect consumers from malpractices and from substandard or hazardous products";

Whereas, as mandated by Republic Act 7394, otherwise known as the Consumers Act of the Philippines, it is likewise the duty of the State to promote and encourage fair, honest and equitable relations among parties in consumer transactions and protect consumers against deceptive, unfair and unconscionable sales acts or practices;

Whereas, there is a warranty given to consumers against hidden defects which a thing sold may have, or if it is unfit for the use for which it is intended;

Whereas, the purchase of a motor vehicle is one of the biggest financial investments of a consumer;

Whereas, it is unfortunate that many consumers find out too late that the motor vehicles they bought do not live up to the quality advertised by the manufacturer and seller. Hence, they end up with poor quality vehicles or "lemons" that endanger the lives and limbs of consumers and the general public;

Whereas, this anomalous situation must be corrected and consumers protected by making sure that car manufacturers and sellers issue and comply with their warranties;

Whereas, concerned government agencies must protect the consumers against trade malpractices which are inimical to public interest.

Now, therefore, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved to direct the appropriate Committee of the Senate to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, into the state of implementation of Republic Act 7394 otherwise known as the Consumers Act of the Philippines, more particularly into the sale of motor vehicles and to institute remedies against fraudulent product warranties.

Adopted,


AQUILINO Q. PIMENTEL, JR.