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**A RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE, TO  
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE PROPOSAL OF REQUIRING  
ALL HIGHER LEARNING INSTITUTIONS TO FULLY DISCLOSE THE PERFORMANCE OF  
THEIR GRADUATES IN LICENSURE AND ELIGIBILITY EXAMINATIONS**

**Whereas**, the Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all;

**Whereas**, pursuant to Sec. 8(e) of Republic Act No. 7722 or the Higher Education Act of 1994, the Commission on Higher Education shall monitor and evaluate the performance of programs offered by institutions of higher learning for appropriate incentives as well as the imposition of sanctions such as, but not limited to, diminution or withdrawal of subsidy, recommendation on the downgrading or withdrawal of accreditation, program termination, or school closure;

**Whereas**, a survey of advertisements launched by colleges and universities through the mass media reveals that these learning institutions place in such advertisements the courses being offered, the admission requirements, the schedules of examinations, their contact details, without mentioning their performances in the licensure examinations required for certain professions;

**Whereas**, some of these institutions claim in their advertisements that they offer shorter courses than what is usually required by the Commission on Higher Education and can immediately find for their graduates employment here in the country or abroad, but fail to disclose whether these shorter courses have been recognized by the Commission on Higher Education and the exact rate of employment of their graduates;

**Whereas**, this failure of higher learning institutions to fully disclose the performance of its graduates in licensure and eligibility examinations, recognition by the Commission on Higher Education of their courses and the rate of employment of their graduates, will deprive parents, students, and the public of making informed choices with regard to the selection of schools;

**Whereas**, there is a need to determine whether a full disclosure policy, similar to that in market information, where all of the higher learning institutions be mandated to make public their passing percentages in government-mandated examinations, accreditation and recognition of courses, and the rate of employment of their graduates, so that when parents and students choose a certain school, they

are forewarned of the school's ability to supply the technical competencies it is supposed to provide their students;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to urge the Senate Committee on Education, Arts and Culture, to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the proposal of requiring all higher learning institutions to fully disclose in their advertisements the performance of their graduates in licensure and eligibility examinations, recognition of the Commission on Higher Education for the courses offered, and the rate of employment of their graduates.

  
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