

Office of the Secretary

SENATE
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RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11053, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-HAZING ACT OF 2018, TO PROVIDE A CLEAR, CONSISTENT AND ACCURATE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS TO FULFILL THE MANDATE ENSHRINED IN THE ANTI-HAZING ACT OF 2018

WHEREAS, Article VI of the 1987 Constitution provides that the legislative power shall be vested in the Congress of the Philippines which shall consist of a Senate and a House of Representatives, except to the extent reserved to the people by the provision on initiate and referendum;

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Philippines passed the Anti-Hazing Act of 2018 and was signed into law on June 29, 2018 and the Implementing Rules and Regulations were finalized only last March 6, 2020.

WHEREAS, this representation has monitored the development in the crafting of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of the Anti-Hazing Act of 2018 by the Commission on Higher Education and clarified the legislative intent of certain provisions of the law;

WHEREAS, several members of the House of Representatives and the

1 Senate also issued certifications to relay and inform the Chairperson of the
2 technical working group of the legislative intent of some of the provisions of the
3 law;


4 **WHEREAS**, despite all these efforts from the lawmakers, the IRR of the
5 Anti-Hazing Act of 2018 failed to clarify and provide a clear guideline in the
6 implementation of the law based on the law's true intent;

7 **WHEREAS**, last September 14, 2020, Senator Francis Tolentino raised in
8 his privileged speech the alarming number of cases where the IRRs adopted by
9 the executive departments are inconsistent with or go beyond the laws enacted
10 by Congress;

11 **WHEREAS**, for failure to provide a clear and accurate implementing rules
12 that truly reflects the intention of the law, it is but proper to call for the review
13 of the IRR of the Anti-Hazing Act of 2018;

14 **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, to
15 call for the review of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Anti-Hazing
16 Act of 2018 to be able to provide a clear, consistent and accurate implementing
17 rules that truly reflects the law and its intent.

Adopted,


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