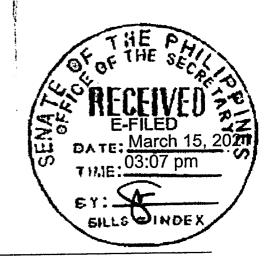
# EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Second Regular Session



#### SENATE

COMMITTEE REPORT No.	205

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Economic Affairs; and Finance on March 15, 2021

RE: Senate Bill No. \_\_\_\_2105\_\_\_\_

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 432, 476 and 477

Sponsor: Senator Imee Marcos

#### **MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committees on Economic Affairs; and Finance, to which were referred **Senate Bill No. 432**, introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr., entitled:

#### "AN ACT

MANDATING THE SECRETARIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS, TO APPEAR BIANNUALLY BEFORE A JOINT CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO REPORT ON THE STATUS AND DIRECTIONS OF THE FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICIES OF THE STATE"

Senate Bill No. 476, introduced by Senator Ralph Recto, entitled:

#### "AN ACT

MANDATING THE SECRETARIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS, TO APPEAR SEMI—ANNUALLY BEFORE CONGRESS TO REPORT ON THE STATUS AND DIRECTIONS OF THE FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICIES OF THE STATE"

and Senate Bill No. 477, introduced by Senator Ralph Recto, entitled:

#### "AN ACT

MANDATING THE ANNUAL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ALL CONTINGENT LIABILITIES INCURRED BY ALL NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR - CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT INSTRUMENTALITIES"

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached **Senate Bill No.** 2105 prepared by the Committees, entitled:

#### "AN ACT

OF THE SECRETARIES **MANDATING** THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, NATIONAL ECONOMIC **AUTHORITY, AND DEVELOPMENT** AND DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS, TO APPEAR SEMI-ANNUALLY BEFORE CONGRESS TO REPORT ON THE STATUS AND DIRECTIONS OF THE FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICIES OF THE STATE"

be approved substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 432, 476, and 477 with Senator Revilla, Senator Recto, and Senator Marcos as authors thereof.

### Respectfully submitted:

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Penalties too strict

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AN ACT

MANDATING THE SECRETARIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT, AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE BANGKO SENTRAL NG PILIPINAS, TO APPEAR SEMI-ANNUALLY BEFORE CONGRESS TO REPORT ON THE STATUS AND DIRECTIONS OF THE FISCAL AND MONETARY POLICIES OF THE STATE

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Republic of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

Section 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as the "Fiscal and Monetary Report Act".

Sec. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is hereby declared the policy of the State to submit to full public disclosure, subject to reasonable conditions prescribed by law, all its transactions involving public interest, as provided for under Section 28, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, and recognize the significance of fiscal and monetary policies as factors affecting the development directions of the country.

Sec. 3. Appearance before Congress. — The Secretaries of the Department of Finance (DOF), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and the Governor of the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), or their designated representatives, shall appear before the House of Representatives and the Senate biannually, on or before the last Tuesday of May and during the Development Budget Coordination Committee (DBCC) Budget Briefing each year to report on the status and directions of the fiscal and monetary policies of

the government, economic developments, prospects for the future, and other related 1 data taking into account past and prospective developments in employment, 2 unemployment, production, investment, real income, productivity, exchange rates, 3 debt, international trade and payments, and prices. 4

#### Sec. 4. Reports. -

- (a) The Secretary of DOF shall submit to the House of Representatives and the Senate a written report, which may be in digital format and may be submitted electronically, on the conduct of fiscal policy, which shall include, but shall not be limited to the following:
  - i. Consolidated Public Sector Financial Position;
  - ii. National Government Debt Service Expenditures;
  - iii. Foreign and Domestic Borrowings;
  - iv. National Government Revenues;
  - v. National Government Financing Program and Outstanding Debt;
  - vi. Fiscal obligations and contingent liabilities, including, but not limited to:
    - 1. Summary of payment obligations and contingent liabilities arising from Public-Private Partnership (PPP) contracts entered into by agencies authorized under Republic Act No. 6957, as amended by Republic Act No. 7718, the revised NEDA Joint Venture Guidelines, the Special Charters and/or Joint Venture Guidelines of GOCCs, and local PPP All agencies implementing Ordinances. foregoing contracts are hereby directed to submit a copy of the said contracts and a quarterly report on the status of payment obligations and contingent liabilities arising from each contract to the DOF and to the PPP Center.;

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1	2. Loans contracted and liabilities incurred by GOCCs
2	or by GFIs which were guaranteed by the National
3	Government;
4	3. Guarantee programs implemented by GOCCs and
5	GFIs;
6	4. GFI-guaranteed private loans which were
7	subsequently transferred to and assumed by the
8	National Government by virtue of Proclamation No.
9	50, Administrative Order No. 64 s.1988, and other
10	similar statutes or issuances;
11	<ol><li>Government insurance programs;</li></ol>
12	6. Other potential losses arising from indemnities,
13	pending litigation, and other circumstances relating
14	to claims and assessments in respect of breach of
15	contract, damages to persons and property, and
16	similar items; and
17	vii.Other information that may be requested by the
18	Committees specified in Section 3 of this Act.
19	(b) The Secretary of the NEDA shall submit to the House of
20	Representatives and the Senate a written report, which may be in
21	digital format and may be submitted electronically, regarding
22	developments and prospects in the macroeconomy and labor
23	market which shall include, but shall not be limited to the following:
24	i. Macroeconomy
25	Gross National Income
26	2. Net Primary Income
27	3. Gross Domestic Product
28	ii. Labor and Employment;
29	1. Unemployment
30	2. Youth Unemployment
31	3. Underemployment

1	iii. Poverty statistics; and
2	iv. Other information that may be requested by the
3	Committees specified in Section 3 of this Act.
4	(c) The Secretary of the DBM shall submit to the to the House of
5	Representatives and the Senate a written report, which may be in
6	digital format and may be submitted electronically, which shall
7	include, but shall not be limited to the following:
8	i. Status of Expenditure Program;
9	ii. Status of Disbursement;
10	iii. Debt Service Expenditures;
11	iv. Outstanding Domestic and Foreign Debt from Regular
12	and Assumed Liabilities of the National Government; and
13	v. Other information that may be requested by the
14	Committees specified in Section 3 of this Act.
15	(d) The Governor of the BSP shall submit to the to the House of
16	Representatives and the Senate a written report, which may be
17	in digital format and may be submitted electronically, which shall
18	include, but shall not be limited to the following:
19	i. Monetary aggregates and their components;
20	ii. Balance of payments of the Philippines;
21	iii. Headline and Core Inflation Rates;
22	iv. Volume and value of exports and imports;
23	v. Financial Condition of the BSP and the Philippine Banking
24	System;
25	vi. Government receipts and expenditures and on the status
26	of the public debt, both domestic and foreign;
27	vii. Major legal and administrative measures adopted by the
28	Government and the Monetary Board during the year
29	which relate to the functions or operations of the BSP or
30	of the financial system; and

1 2	Committees specified in Section 3 of this Act.
3	Sec. 5. Full Disclosure and Cooperation. – All relevant government agencies are
4	hereby directed to cooperate and submit to the DOF, NEDA, DBM, and BSP, as may
5	be applicable, all necessary documents for the abovementioned agencies to comply
6	with their obligations under this Act.
7	Sec. 6. Public Access to Information The DOF, NEDA, DBM, and BSP shall
8	make available copies of the reports submitted to Congress in their official websites
9	within seven (7) working days following the submission of their respective reports.
10	Sec.7. Violations and Persons Liable Any person who performs or cause the
11	performance of the following acts shall be liable:
12	(a) Failure of head of the agency or his/her duly authorized
13	representative to appear before Congress as required under Section
14	3 of this Act;
15	(b) Failure of the head of the agency to submit the necessary reports
16	as required under Section 4 and 6 of this Act;
17	(c) Failure of the head of the agency to submit the necessary documents
18	under Section 5 of this Act.
19	(d) Failure of the head of the agencies mentioned under Section 4
20	(a)(vi)(1) to submit a copy of PPP contracts and a quarterly report
21	on the status of obligations and contingent liabilities arising from
22	each PPP contract to the DOF and to the PPP Center;
23	(e) Failure of the head of the agency to make available copies of the
24	reports submitted to Congress in their official websites within sever
25	(7) working days following the submission of their respective
26	reports as required under Section 6 of this Act;
27	Sec. 8. Penalties and Liabilities Any violation of the preceding actions shall
28	warrant the following penalties and liabilities:
29	(a) First Offense: Administrative liability with six (6) months suspension

(b) Second Offense: Administrative liability and criminal liability of dismissal from service, perpetual disqualification from holding public office and forfeiture of retirement benefits and imprisonment of one (1) year to six (6) years with a fine of not less than Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00), but not more than Two million pesos (P2,000,000.00)

The liability of the public officer or employee or former public officer or employee for the failure to comply with the provisions under this Act shall survive the retirement of said public officer or employee.

SEC. 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations*. – Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOF, NEDA, DBM, and BSP, in consultation with other relevant government agencies, shall promulgate the rules and regulations to effectively implement the provisions of this Act.

Sec. 10. *Separability Clause*. – If any provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional, the remainder of the Act not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 11. *Repealing Clause.* – All existing laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, proclamations, or administrative regulations that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended, modified, superseded, or repealed accordingly.

Sec. 12. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,