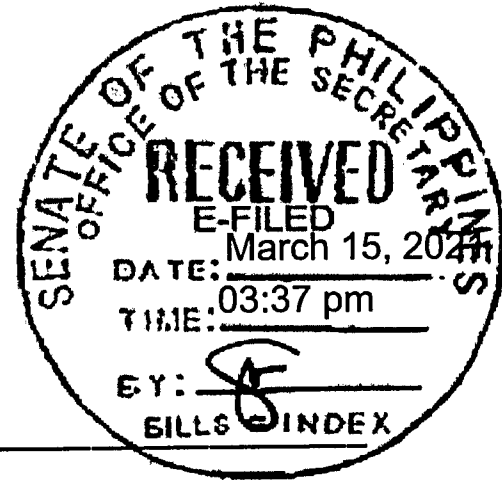


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SENATE

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 213

Submitted by the Committee on Public Services on March 15, 2021

Re: **House Bill No. 7496**

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: **Senator Grace Poe**

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Public Services, to which was referred **House Bill No. 7496**, introduced by **Representatives Garbin, Jr. and Alvarez (F.)**, entitled:

AN ACT
GRANTING SERVOTRON INDUSTRIES INC. A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND
TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS THROUGHOUT THE
PHILIPPINES

has considered the same and has the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved with the following amendments:

1. On page 2, lines 1 to 5, delete the second paragraph of Section 3.

Section 3 shall now read as follows:

"The grantee shall secure from the National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) the appropriate permits and licenses for the construction and operation of its stations or facilities and shall not use any frequency in the radio/television spectrum without authorization from the NTC. The NTC, however, shall not unreasonably withhold or delay the grant of any such authority.

In case of any violation of the provisions of this franchise, the NTC shall have the authority to revoke or suspend, after due process, the permits or licenses it issued pursuant to the franchise. The NTC may recommend to Congress of the Philippines (Congress) the revocation of the franchise for any violation of the provisions of this franchise."

2. On page 3, line 5, insert a new Section 7 to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. RENEWAL OR EXTENSION OF FRANCHISE. – THE GRANTEE SHALL APPLY FOR THE RENEWAL OR EXTENSION OF ITS FRANCHISE THREE (3) YEARS BEFORE ITS EXPIRATION WHICH SHALL BE RECKONED FROM FIFTEEN (15) DAYS AFTER THE PUBLICATION OF THE FRANCHISE IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE OR IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION."

Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

1. On the same page, line 37, delete the phrase 'its regularized employees and secure a compliance and clearance' and replace it with **'TRAINEES AND WORKERS WHOSE EMPLOYMENT STATUS ARE MADE REGULAR, AND APPEND THE APPROPRIATE'**

On the same page, lines 38 and 39, delete the phrase 'and its relevant attached agencies' and replace it with **'ATTESTING THAT IT HAS COMPLIED WITH THE EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENT UNDER THIS SECTION.'**

The last paragraph of the newly renumbered Section 10 shall now read as follows:

"The employment opportunities or jobs created shall be reflected in the General Information Sheet (GIS) to be submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) annually. In addition, the grantee shall include in its annual report to Congress the number of **TRAINEES AND WORKERS WHOSE EMPLOYMENT STATUS ARE MADE REGULAR, AND APPEND THE APPROPRIATE** certificate from the Department of Labor and Employment **ATTESTING THAT IT HAS COMPLIED WITH THE EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENT UNDER THIS SECTION.'**

3. On page 4, line 8, after the word 'its', delete the word 'common', and replace it with **"OUTSTANDING CAPITAL"**.

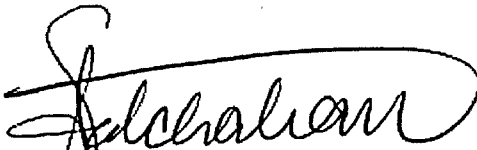
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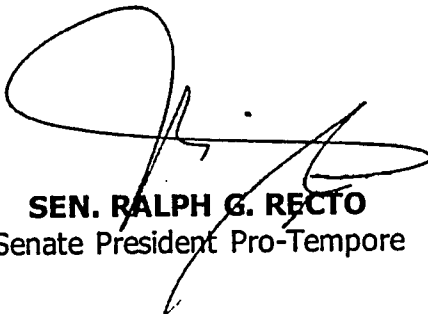


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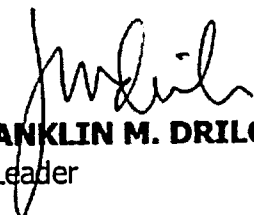
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