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Introduced by Senator Franklin M. Drilon

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION TO REVIEW THE MANDATE AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION (BI) WITH THE END IN VIEW OF MODERNIZING THE BUREAU AND RAISING LEVELS OF PROFESSIONALISM AMONG ITS AGENTS AND STAFF

WHEREAS, the Bureau of Immigration (BI) is charged with the implementation of all laws, rules, regulations or orders of any competent authority concerning the entry and admission into and the departure from the Philippines of all persons;

WHEREAS, there are numerous and persistent reports that persons allegedly involved in the commission of crimes or under investigation are able to surreptitiously enter into and depart from the country;

WHEREAS, it was recently reported that former Commission on Elections Commissioner Virgilio Garcillano who is being sought by the House of Representatives allegedly left the country surreptitiously, without his name appearing in the airline manifest and the BI records;

WHEREAS, such reports raise questions on the administrative and organizational capability of the Bureau of Immigration to implement and enforce existing laws, rules and regulations;

WHEREAS, it is imperative to thoroughly examine whether or not to reorganize the Bureau of Immigration and enhance its human resources to make them responsive to the needs of the changing times: Now therefore be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE as it is hereby resolved to direct as it

hereby directs the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

to review the mandate and the organizational structure of the Bureau of

Immigration (BI) with end in view of modernizing the bureau and raising levels

of professionalism among its agents and staff.

FRANKLIN M. DRILON Senator