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SENATE P.S. Resolution No. **153** HEGEIVED BY:

Introduced by Senator Richard J. Gordon

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9369, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE AUTOMATED ELECTION LAW, BY THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9369 was signed into law in January 2007, mandating automated elections in at least two highly urbanized cities and two provinces each in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao for the next regular national and local elections held immediately after its effectivity;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9369 likewise mandated that in succeeding regular national or local elections, the automated election system shall be implemented nationwide.

WHEREAS, in spite of this mandate, the Commission on Elections failed to automate the May 2007 elections in two highly urbanized cities and two provinces each in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao, arguing that there was not enough time to implement it. While the barangay elections set for the last Monday of October 2007 should likewise be automated, there does not appear to be any concrete plans for its implementation.

Now, Therefore be it resolved by the Senate, as it is hereby resolved, To Direct The Appropriate Senate Committees To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation, Into The Implementation of Republic Act No. 9369 By The Commission On Elections.

Adopted,

RICHARD J. GORDON