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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY,  
IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED SHORTAGE OF CORN SUPPLY  
IN THE CEBU PROVINCE

WHEREAS, according to a group of grain retailers, a shortage not only of the cereal but also of corn is gripping Cebu province; *Cebuanos* consider corn their staple food;

WHEREAS, *Teresa Alegado*, national president of the Grain Retailers Confederation of the Philippines (GRCP) said that with the price increase of corn, it has become even more expensive than some rice varieties; she added that a 39-kilo sack of corn, which used to sell for P600 to P650, is now being retailed at P1,000;

WHEREAS, Ms. *Alegado* said the increase was only an indication that the corn supply was running low;

WHEREAS, at a Cabinet meeting, President *Gloria Macapagal Arroyo* appealed to retailers not to increase the prices of their goods just because some people are saying there is a food crisis;

WHEREAS, the government will hold a Food Summit in April 4 to discuss the need to increase the production of rice, corn, vegetables, fish and other items in the so-called food basket;

WHEREFORE, be it hereby resolved by the Philippine Senate, to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the alleged shortage of corn supply in the Cebu province.

Adopted,

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