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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 63

Submitted by the Committee on Justice and Human Rights on JUN 02 2008

Re: Senate Bill No. 2355.

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill No. 386.

Sponsors: Senators Escudero and Ejercito Estrada.

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committee on Justice and Human Rights to which was referred Senate Bill No. 386, introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada, entitled:

**"AN ACT  
PROMOTING BARANGAY JUSTICE BY AMENDING ARTICLE ELEVEN  
HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED THREE HUNDRED  
AND EIGHTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE OF THE  
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has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, Senate Bill No. 2355, prepared by the Committee, entitled:

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be approved in substitution of Senate Bill No. 386 with Senators Ejercito Estrada and Escudero as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:



**FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO**  
Chairman



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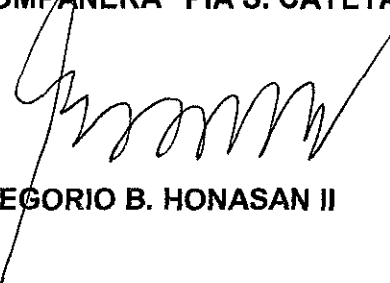


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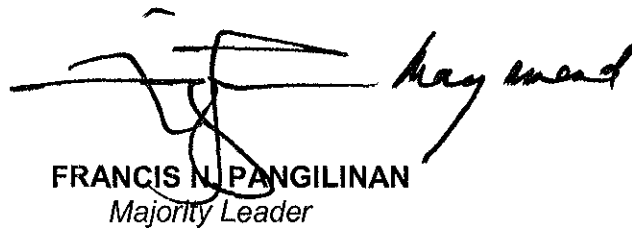
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**JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA**  
President Pro-Tempore



**FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN**  
Majority Leader

*may amend.*

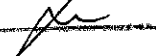


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Minority Leader

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Senate Bill No. **2355**

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CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

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

1           **SECTION 1.** Article 1155 of the Civil Code is hereby amended to read as  
2 follows:

3           "ART. 1155. The prescription of actions is interrupted when they  
4 are filed before the court, when there is a written extrajudicial demand by the  
5 creditors, [and] when there is any written acknowledgement of the debt by the  
6 debtor, OR WHEN THEY ARE BROUGHT BEFORE THE PUNONG  
7 BARANGAY OR THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA UNDER THE  
8 PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE..

9           IF BROUGHT BEFORE THE PUNONG BARANGAY OR THE LUPON  
10 NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, THE PRESCRIPTION OF ACTION IS SUSPENDED  
11 ONLY FOR A PERIOD OF SIXTY (60) DAYS TO BE RECKONED FROM THE  
12 DATE OF SAID REFERRAL.

13           **SEC 2.** This Act shall be without prejudice to the pertinent provisions of  
14 the Revised Katarungang Pambarangay Law as provided for in Sections 399 -  
15 422, Chapter VII, Title I, Book III of Republic Act No. 7160.

16           **SEC 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in  
17 two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

18           Approved,