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**CALL TO ORDER**

At 3:15 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Juan Ponce Enrile, called the session to order.

**PRAYER**

Sen. Sergio R. Osmeña III led the prayer, to wit:

Dear Lord, we start our session today with deep gratitude for the blessings You have bestowed and continue to bestow upon us and our beloved countrymen. May there be today, peace within each of us and among all of us.

We humbly submit to You as we have done so, so many times in the past. Inspire us with the commitment and the dedication to do our best for our country and our people. Grant each of us the grace to restrain ourselves and keep our personal biases and interests subrogated to the welfare of our nation.

We offer ourselves to You in great humility as we bow our heads and seek Your guidance and blessings. We ask all these through Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

**SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

With the permission of the Body, the Chair suspended the session.

*It was 3:17 p.m.*

**RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

At 3:17 p.m., the session was approved.

**ROLL CALL**

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary of the Senate, Atty. Emma Lirio-Reyes, called the roll, to which the following senators responded:

Angara, E. J.	Honasan, G. B.
Arroyo, J. P.	Lapid, M. L. M.
Cayetano, C. P. S.	Legarda, L.
Drilon, F. M.	Osmeña III, S. R.
Ejercito Estrada, J.	Sotto III, V. C.
Enrile, J. P.	Villar, M.
Escudero, F. J. G.	Zubiri, J. M. F.
Guingona III, T. D.	

With 15 senators present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Senators Pangilinan, Recto and Revilla arrived after the roll call.

Senators Cayetano (A) and Marcos were on official mission.

Senator Defensor Santiago was on sick leave.

Senator Lacson was absent.

Senator Trillanes was unable to attend the session as he was under detention.

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**APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the Journal of Session No. 14 and considered it approved.

*At this juncture, Senate President Enrile relinquished the Chair to Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada.*

**REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

The Secretary of the Senate read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

**RESOLUTIONS**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 125, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DEPLORABLE STATE OF HYGIENE AND SANITATION IN THE COUNTRY**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Environment and Natural Resources**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 126, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DETERIORATION OF THE LAGUNA LAKE AND ITS POSSIBLE RAMIFICATION ON THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Economic Affairs**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 127, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND**

**COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON FILIPINO SEAMEN REPORTEDLY FAILING TO MEET INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 128, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FORMULATION OF PROACTIVE AND SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS TO THE COUNTRY'S GARBAGE WOES**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Local Government**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 129, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED CONTINUED ILLEGAL DEPLOYMENT OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS TO IRAQ AND OTHER WAR-TORN COUNTRIES DESPITE A COMPLETE BAN IMPOSED BY THE GOVERNMENT**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Foreign Relations**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 130, entitled

**RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN**

INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO ADDRESS THE EMERGING INTERNATIONAL TRENDS OF TIGHTENING LABOR MARKETS AND PRIVATELY OWNED BUSINESSES INCREASINGLY BEING PRESSURED TO RETAIN AND ATTRACT SKILLED WORKERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 131, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE SERGEANT-AT-ARMS TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) DIRECTOR GENERAL REGARDING THE SERVICE OF WARRANTS OF ARRESTS AND OTHER PROCESSES ISSUED BY THE SENATE AND ITS COMMITTEES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 132, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NOTORIOUS REPUTATION OF THE COUNTRY AS A SOURCE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS AND ITS TRANSSHIPMENT IN ASIA

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 133, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-

LATION, ON THE REPORTED KILLING AND MAIMING OF FILIPINO CHILDREN IN AREAS OF ARMED CONFLICT, AND FOR THE PEACE AND CEASEFIRE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT AND REBEL GROUPS TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and National Defense and Security**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 134, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RAMPANT TRAFFICKING OF HUMAN ORGANS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Health and Demography**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 135, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES; AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED DIVERSION OF A DONATION OF FORTY-NINE METRIC TONS OF RICE WORTH PHP 1.4 MILLION INTENDED FOR TYPHOON VICTIMS IN 2008, PERPETRATED BY FORMER PHILIPPINE GAMING CORP. (PAGCOR) CHAIR EFRAIM GENUINO TO SUPPORT THE CANDIDACIES OF HIS SONS ANTHONY AND ERWIN GENUINO IN THE MAY 2010 ELECTIONS

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Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations; and Government Corporations and Public Enterprises**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 136, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; AND THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NEED TO AMEND POLICE PROCEDURES WITH REGARDS TO INVESTIGATIONS ON ALLEGED ACCIDENTAL DEATHS OF MINORS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 137, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED TORTURE INCIDENT INVOLVING MANILA POLICE OFFICERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Justice and Human Rights**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 138, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SELECTIVE EMISSION TESTING OF VEHICLES AND THE QUALITY OF AIR IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Public Services**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 140, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO BEAUTY QUEEN MARIA VENUS BAYONITO RAJ FOR FINISHING FOURTH IN THE MISS UNIVERSE PAGEANT ON 24 AUGUST 2010 AT THE MANDALAY BAY RESORT AND CASINO IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Introduced by Senator Lapid

**To the Committee on Rules**

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 141, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ELEVEN-HOUR LONG HOSTAGE-TAKING INCIDENT AT THE QUIRINO GRANDSTAND INVOLVING TWENTY FIVE PEOPLE ON BOARD A TOURIST BUS

Introduced by Senator Revilla Jr.

**To the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs**

**ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

The Deputy Secretary for Legislation, Atty. Edwin B. Bellen, read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

Senate Bill No. 1201, entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE A NATIONAL WRITING PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1202, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS CHARGED WITH ELECTION-RELATED OFFENSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Justice and Human Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1203, entitled

AN ACT TO INSTITUTIONALIZE A HOUSING PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement; Education, Arts and Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1204, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A NATIONAL INITIATIVE ON THE CONDUCT OF RESEARCH, HEALTH CARE COORDINATION AND TREATMENT OF PATIENTS WITH ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE, CREATING AN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH CENTER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1205, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING ONE-STOP ACTION OFFICE TO ASSIST IN THE RECONSTITUTION OF OFFICIAL DOSSIERS AND PAPERS DAMAGED BY TYPHOONS, FLOODS AND OTHER CALAMITIES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Local Government; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1206, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 82 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development**

Senate Bill No. 1207, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING PROTECTION TO CREDIT CARD HOLDERS BY SETTING A CEILING ON INTEREST RATES AND SURCHARGES AND PROHIBITING HIDDEN PENALTIES OR COSTS IMPOSED BY BANKS AND SIMILAR FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ON PURCHASES AND CASH ADVANCES MADE THROUGH CREDIT FACILITY

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies**

Senate Bill No. 1208, entitled

AN ACT IMPOSING HARSHER PENALTIES FOR ELECTION OFFENSES ATTENDED BY VIOLENCE, COERCION, INTIMIDATION, FORCE OR THREATS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws**

Senate Bill No. 1209, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BREAST CARE CENTERS IN EVERY REGION

**NATIONWIDE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Health and Demography; Local Government; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1210, entitled

**AN ACT REQUIRING INCLUSION OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS A SEPARATE SUBJECT IN THE HIGH SCHOOL CURRICULUM**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture**

Senate Bill No. 1211, entitled

**AN ACT DECLARING MARCH ONE OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY TO BE KNOWN AS NATIONAL FARMERS AND FISHERFOLKS DAY**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Agriculture and Food**

Senate Bill No. 1212, entitled

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TEACHING SERVICE AS PAYMENT FOR EDUCATIONAL LOANS DRAWN FROM PUBLIC FUNDS, INCLUDING TUITION SUBSIDIES FOR STUDENTS OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1213, entitled

**AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PERSONS ON ACCOUNT OF ETHNIC ORIGIN AND/OR RELIGIOUS BELIEF**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Cultural Communities; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development**

Senate Bill No. 1214, entitled

**AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF THE WORDS "MUSLIM" AND "CHRISTIAN" IN MASS MEDIA TO DESCRIBE ANY PERSON SUSPECTED OF OR CONVICTED FOR HAVING COMMITTED CRIMINAL OR UNLAWFUL ACTS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media**

Senate Bill No. 1215, entitled

**AN ACT TO REVITALIZE THE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS BY CREATING THE WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC EDUCATION AND HEALTH CARE CORPORATION AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Education, Arts and Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1216, entitled

**AN ACT TO INSTITUTE MECHANISMS FOR THE CREATION OF TEMPORARY SHELTER PROGRAM FOR TRAFFICKED PERSONS**

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Local Government; and Finance**

## Senate Bill No. 1217, entitled

AN ACT TO HONOR AND PERPETUATE THE MEMORY OF THE LATE SPEAKER JOSE B. LAUREL JR., BY NAMING THE STRIP OF THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY, CONNECTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALISAY, BATANGAS, SITUATED AT KM 79+340 PASSING THROUGH THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAUREL UP TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF AGONCILLO, BATANGAS, SITUATED AT KM 102+820, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, AS THE SPEAKER JOSE B. LAUREL JR., HIGHWAYS

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Rules**

## Senate Bill No. 1218, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF INTERNET CAFES, VIDEO AND COMPUTER GAME SHOPS AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS, PROVIDING COMPUTER SERVICES WITHIN THE VICINITY OF SCHOOLS, PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS, DAY CARE FACILITIES AND CHURCHES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Local Government**

## Senate Bill No. 1219, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE LAKE LANAO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Economic Affairs; Ways and Means; and Finance**

## Senate Bill No. 1220, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT-ISSUED IDENTIFICATION CARDS, CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES TO INCLUDE A PORTION INDICATING THE BLOOD TYPE OF THE HOLDER THEREOF AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Health and Demography; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance**

## Senate Bill No. 1221, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING ANY ADVERTISING AGENCY, TELEVISION OR RADIO STATION AND PUBLICATION WHICH EXPLOIT WOMEN AND GLORIFY SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN ITS ADVERTISEMENTS

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media**

## Senate Bill No. 1222, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE MANDATORY COVERAGE OF ALL HOUSEHELPERS IN THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (NHIP) UNDER THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION (PHILHEALTH)

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development**

## Senate Bill No. 1223, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PRE-SCHOOL EDUCATION INTO THE BASIC EDUCATION SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Local Government; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1224, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8545, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "EXPANDED GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO STUDENTS AND TEACHERS IN PRIVATE EDUCATION ACT" PROVIDING FOR AN EXPANDED VOUCHER OR COUPON SYSTEM IN SECONDARY AND TERTIARY EDUCATION, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1225, entitled

AN ACT TO FURTHER PROTECT PHILIPPINE CORALS AND OTHER MARINE TREASURES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 91 AND 97 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8550, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Environment and Natural Resources**

Senate Bill No. 1226, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZING ENFORCED OR INVOLUNTARY DISAPPEARANCE

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1227, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING AND PENALIZING THE PILFERAGE AND THEFT,

UNAUTHORIZED USE, INTERCONNECTION OR RECEPTION OF ANY SIGNAL OR SERVICE OFFERED OVER A CABLE TELEVISION (CATV) OR CABLE INTERNET SYSTEM AND/OR NETWORK OR THROUGH ANY UNAUTHORIZED INSTALLATION, ACCESS OR CONNECTION THERETO THROUGH THE USE OF CABLE OR OTHER EQUIPMENT, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Justice and Human Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1228, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING THE LIABILITY OF HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS CONCERNED FOR GROSS VIOLATIONS OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE OR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs**

Senate Bill No. 1229, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE EXPANSION OF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM BY PRIVATE ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND SCHOOLS AS A CONDITION FOR THE INCREASE IN TUITION FEE AND OTHER SCHOOL FEES APPLICATION

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture**

Senate Bill No. 1230, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING FILIPINO PROFESSIONALS WITH COMPETENCY IN

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MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SUBJECTS THE PRIVILEGE OF TEACHING ON A PART-TIME BASES IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1231, entitled

AN ACT TO PROMOTE DONATIONS IN GOOD FAITH OF MEDICINES, FOOD PRODUCTS OR SUPPLIES BY ESTABLISHMENTS AND OTHER ENTITIES, INCLUDING INDIVIDUALS BY EXEMPTING THEM FROM ANY FORM OF LIABILITY ARISING THEREFROM

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

Senate Bill No. 1232, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HEALTH PROMOTION INSTITUTE TO MAINSTREAM HEALTH PROMOTION IN THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR A HEALTH PROMOTION FUND AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Health and Demography; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1233, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRAUD AND DESTRUCTION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FACILITIES, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1234, entitled

AN ACT TO SUBSIDIZE NEWSPAPER SUBSCRIPTIONS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Public Information and Mass Media; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1235, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING SKILLS TRAINING AND RETRAINING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Labor Employment and Human Resources Development; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1236, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR GREATER FISCAL AUTONOMY IN FAVOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUS) IN THE CHOICE OF DEPOSITORY BANKS, AMENDING SECTION 311 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1237, entitled

AN ACT ACCELERATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL RAILWAY SYSTEM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL RAILWAY AUTHORITY, PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES

Introduced by Senator Villar

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**To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Public Services**

Senate Bill No. 1238, entitled

AN ACT TO PREVENT WANTON AND INDISCRIMINATE ROAD DIGGINGS AND ROAD REPAIRS BY REQUIRING THE PUTTING UP OF CONSPICUOUS SIGNAGE OR LARGE BILLBOARDS ON THE SITES OF SUCH ROAD WORKS, ANNOUNCING THE COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION DATES THEREOF, IMPOSING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Public Works**

Senate Bill No. 1239, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, PROVIDING INCENTIVES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Ways and Means**

Senate Bill No. 1240, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE RIGHTS OF FILIPINO WOMEN BY INTEGRATING THE TEACHING OF SELF-DEFENSE AND PROVIDING ITS FREE ACCESS TO FEMALE CONSTITUENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1241, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PUBLICATION OF LEWD PHOTOGRAPHS

AND SEX STORIES AND ARTICLES IN TABLOID AND BROADSHEET NEWSPAPERS, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Justice and Human Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1242, entitled

AN ACT PROMOTING THE REVIVAL OF THE KOMIKS INDUSTRY, PROVIDING TAX INCENTIVES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Public Information and Mass Media; and Ways and Means**

Senate Bill No. 1243, entitled

AN ACT DEVELOPING GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS TEACHERS

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Science and Technology; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1244, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TOTAL BAN ON ANTI-PERSONNEL LANDMINES, FOR OTHER PROHIBITIONS OR RESTRICTIONS ON THE USE OF LANDMINES, BOOBYTRAPS AND OTHER DEVICES, FOR CREATION OF A PHILIPPINE COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON LANDMINES AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1245, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE OFFICE OF TANODBATA AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1246, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1247, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE TEACHERS BANK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Education, Arts and Culture**

Senate Bill No. 1248, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE MINDANAO RAILWAYS CORPORATION PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES AND PROVIDING FOR THE NECESSARY FUNDS FOR ITS OPERATION

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Public Services; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1249, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY AND MUNICIPAL MAYORS AND PUNONG BARANGAY TO POST AND PUBLISH WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THEIR LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS A SUMMARY OF ALL INCOME AND REVENUE FROM BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SOURCES AS WELL AS A LISTING OF ALL DISBURSEMENTS, EXPENDITURES AND UTILIZATION OF FUNDS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committee on Local Government**

Senate Bill No. 1250, entitled

AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL AND MORAL WELL BEING FOR THE FILIPINO YOUTH, AMENDING SECTIONS 329, 389 AND 426 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE

Introduced by Senator Villar

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development**

#### ADDITIONAL REFERRAL

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Chair also referred Proposed Senate Resolution No. 133 to the Committee on Peace, Unification and Reconciliation.

#### PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 140

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body considered Proposed Senate Resolution No. 140, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO BEAUTY QUEEN MARIA VENUS BAYONITO RAJ FOR FINISHING FOURTH IN THE MISS UNIVERSE PAGEANT

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ON 24 AUGUST 2010, AT THE MANDALAY BAY RESORT AND CASINO IN LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Pursuant to Section 67, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the Senate, with the permission of the Body, upon motion of Senator Sotto, only the title of the resolution was read without prejudice to the insertion of its full text into the Record of the Senate.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

On the title of the resolution and the dispositive portion thereof, upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body approved, subject to style, the replacement of the words "FINISHING FOURTH" with PLACING FOURTH RUNNER-UP.

#### ADOPTION OF PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 140

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, Proposed Senate Resolution No. 140 was adopted by the Body, subject to style.

#### ALL SENATORS AS COAUTHORS

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, all senators were made coauthors of the resolution.

#### MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR DRILON

Senator Drilon informed the Body that the Committee on Finance has already conducted hearings on Proposed Senate Resolution No. 66 which is principally anchored on the Administration's policy that no additional taxes would be raised.

He reported that cognizant of its duty to find ways and means for government to meet its obligations without raising new taxes, the Committee on Finance was able to convince the *Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas* (BSP) to remit the amount of P9.312 billion to the national government, which represented the back remittances of dividends by the BSP which were due to the national government.

He explained that before his chairmanship of the Committee on Finance, there was a dispute between the Commission on Audit (COA) and the BSP as to the manner by which the latter's net income was

being computed. He pointed out that under the law, GOCCs should remit 50% of their net earnings — earnings without reduction as a consequence of any reserve — but there were questions as to the reserves that the BSP wanted to place in its financial statements which effectively reduced the amount of dividends due to the national government.

Senator Drilon said that as Chairman of the Committee on Finance, he arranged a meeting with COA and BSP in the presence of the Secretaries of the Department of Budget and Management and the Department of Finance, during which the two agencies agreed on the formula by which the net earnings of the BSP would be computed. After successfully realizing P9.312 billion for the national government covering the period 2003 to 2006, he said that another computation would be done on the earnings of the BSP, this time for the years 2007 to 2009.

Senator Drilon credited the Committee on Finance, in particular, and the Senate, in general, for being able to raise revenues for the national government without raising additional taxes which would ultimately redound to a reduction of the national budget deficit. He said that the Committee would be working along the same line as far as the other GOCCs are concerned. As a case in point, he revealed that the Development Bank of the Philippines made a profit of P6 billion in 2009 but remitted only P3 billion to the national government.

#### PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body considered Proposed Senate Resolution No. 32, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO MARTIAL ARTIST EROS VINCENT BALUYOT FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL IN THE WHITE BELT ADULT DIVISION OF THE 2010 WORLD BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU CHAMPIONSHIPS IN LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON 3-6 JUNE 2010.

Pursuant to Section 67, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the Senate, with the permission of the Body, upon motion of Senator Sotto, only the title of the resolution

was read without prejudice to the insertion of its full text into the Record of the Senate.

**ADOPTION OF PROPOSED  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 32**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, Proposed Senate Resolution No. 32 was adopted by the Body, subject to style.

**ALL SENATORS AS COAUTHORS**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, all senators were made coauthors of the resolution.

**PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body considered Proposed Senate Resolution No. 67, entitled

RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS SINGERS FOR THEIR LAUDABLE VICTORY AND CONTRIBUTION TO FILIPINO MUSIC AND CULTURE.

Pursuant to Section 67, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the Senate, with the permission of the Body, upon motion of Senator Sotto, only the title of the resolution was read without prejudice to the insertion of its full text into the Record of the Senate.

**ADOPTION OF PROPOSED  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 67**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, Proposed Senate Resolution No. 67 was adopted by the Body, subject to style.

**ALL SENATORS AS COAUTHORS**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, all senators were made coauthors of the resolution.

**PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 70**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body considered Proposed Senate Resolution No. 70, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING PURIFICACION QUISUMBING FOR BEING UNANIMOUSLY ELECTED CHAIRPERSON OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL.

Pursuant to Section 67, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the Senate, with the permission of the Body, upon motion of Senator Sotto, only the title of the resolution was read without prejudice to the insertion of its full text into the Record of the Senate.

**ADOPTION OF PROPOSED  
SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 70**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, Proposed Senate Resolution No. 70 was adopted by the Body, subject to style.

**ALL SENATORS AS COAUTHORS**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, all senators were made coauthors of the resolution.

**PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY  
OF SENATOR OSMEÑA**

Senator Osmeña asked whether Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada would still interpellate Senator Revilla on his speech the previous day as reflected in the day's agenda.


Senator Sotto expressed apology for failing to place into the record the manifestation of Senator Revilla that he would no longer wish to be interpellated on his speech.

**INQUIRY OF SENATOR ARROYO**

Asked by Senator Arroyo if Senator Revilla knew beforehand that it was Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada who wished to interpellate him and would refuse if it were so, Senator Sotto said that he would have to ask the question to Senator Revilla himself.

**WITHDRAWAL OF RESERVATION**

Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada withdrew his reservation to interpellate Senator Revilla.



**REFERRAL OF SPEECH  
TO COMMITTEE**


In view thereof, upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Chair referred the privilege speech of Senator Revilla to the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs.

**ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION**

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Senate President Pro Tempore declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, August 31, 2010.

*It was 3:51 p.m.*

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

  
EMMA LIRIO REYES  
Secretary of the Senate

Approved on August 31, 2010