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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:33 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Juan Ponce Enrile, called the session to order.

PRAYER

Sen. Edgardo J. Angara led the prayer, to wit:

Dear Lord, on the first day of the 15th Congress, we prayed that You strengthen the institution of the Senate and protect its integrity and independence.

We stood before You then as a new Congress, and we asked that You inject fresh energy into this Body.

Today, Father, we pray for the same things.

We realize now more than ever how crucial it is to sustain the momentum for growth and development. We cannot simply mouth rhetoric and platitudes to the gallery. We must do substantive work and think soundly.

Help us understand that we cannot depend merely on one man's mandate or popularity. His counselors must work even

longer and harder. Our history especially tells us that popularity is a highly perishable commodity, but hardwork and reforms are enduring.

Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Professional Regulations Commission Chorale led the singing of the national anthem and thereafter rendered the song, entitled *Sitsiritsit*.

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

With 16 senators present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

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Senators Pangilinan and Revilla arrived after the roll call.

Senators Villar and Recto were on official mission abroad.

Senator Defensor Santiago was on sick leave.

Senator Lacson was absent.

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

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

With the permission of the Body, the Chair suspended the session to allow the Members to greet Senator Marcos on the occasion of his birthday.

It was 3:38 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:40 p.m., the session was resumed with Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada presiding.

REMARKS OF SENATOR MARCOS

Senator Marcos expressed his gratitude to his colleagues for their greetings and for being accommodating, kind, and patient with him. He also thanked all those who have greeted him throughout the day. He gave assurance that he would continue his important work in the Senate.

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. 20 and considered it approved.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Senator Sotto acknowledged the presence in the gallery of the following:

- Members of the Angono Ateliers Association whose paintings were being exhibited outside of the Session Hall;
- The legal management and political science students of San Sebastian College – Recoletos, Manila; and

- Masteral and Ph.D students of the College of Public Affairs of the University of the Philippines – Los Baños.

The Senate President Pro Tempore welcomed the guests to the Senate.

MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR GUINGONA

Senator Guingona manifested that there have been serious allegations and accusations of bribery with regard to *jueteng* operations in the past two days. He then read portions of his proposed resolution which, he said, he would submit to the Body for adoption.

WHEREAS, newspapers and other media have recently reported Archbishop Oscar V. Cruz' allegation that "*jueteng*" still continue to proliferate in the country despite the change in administration;

WHEREAS, Archbishop Cruz has revealed a shocking and disturbing fact in that supposed trusted aides of President Aquino are allegedly receiving a minimum of P2 million in monthly "*jueteng*" payola payoffs;

WHEREAS, these bribery allegations and coddling of gambling lords not only undermine the President's promise of "*tuwid na daan*", transparency and good government, but also destroys the very moral fabric of our Philippine society;

WHEREAS, there is the urgent need to review laws relating to illegal gambling and determine whether or not they are sufficient to stop the proliferation of illegal gambling, particularly *jueteng*;

WHEREAS, these allegations of payola bribery on the officials and members of the (Aquino) administration is a clear indication of malfeasance, misfeasance and nonfeasance of certain members of our Philippine National Police and other government officials; Now therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it is hereby resolved, To direct the Senate Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations (Blue Ribbon) to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into the recent reports of Archbishop Emeritus Oscar V. Cruz alleging that high government officials in the Aquino administration are receiving payoffs from *jueteng*.

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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT
OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS**

At this juncture, Senator Sotto acknowledged the presence in the gallery of the delegation from the Chinese Association for International Understanding (CAFIU), namely: Dr. Kong Genhong, Mme. Zhu Jingfang, Mme. Wang Lin, Mr. Wu Jin, and Mr. Du Xiaolin, all of whom were guests of Senator Pangilinan.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

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

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 1801, entitled

AN ACT TO ENABLE PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS TO USE COMPUTER HARDWARE TO INCREASE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY WORKPLACE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1802, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN LEARNING" PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1803, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING THE FAILURE TO REPORT ACTS OF HAZING, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8049

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1804, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A FORENSIC DNA DATABANK

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1805, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 4 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY TO BE KNOWN AS NATIONAL PET DAY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1806, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE FILLING OF WATERWAYS IN THE CASE OF HOUSING PROJECTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement

Senate Bill No. 1807, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING A TAX CREDIT TO EMPLOYERS FOR THE COSTS OF IMPLEMENTING WELLNESS PROGRAMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1808, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING PROGRAMS FOR BEACH MONITORING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1809, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES TO AID VICTIMS OF ELDER ABUSE, AND PROVIDE TRAINING TO HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS IN THE ASSISTANCE OF SUCH VICTIMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1810, entitled

AN ACT INTRODUCING EDUCATIONAL REFORMS AND SUPPORTING THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF EDUCATIONAL REFORMS IN SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1811, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEACHER CORPS PROGRAM TO STRENGTHEN THE TEACHING PROFESSION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1812, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PERMANENT COUNCIL ON NUTRITION AND HEALTH WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1813, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE SALE, DELIVERY OR DISPOSITION OF ANY KIND OF FIREARM, AMMUNITION, OR EXPLOSIVES TO CERTAIN TYPES OF PERSONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1814, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION OF FAMILY PRIVACY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1815, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE REDUCTION OF ADOLESCENT PREGNANCY, HIV RATES, AND OTHER SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1816, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF MUNICIPAL SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTERS FOR THE DEAF-MUTE AND BLIND CHILDREN APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1817, entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE ROAD TRAFFIC SAFETY RULES AND SIGNS A SEPARATE SUBJECT AND COMPULSORY AT GRADE SIX AND FOURTH YEAR HIGH SCHOOL LEVELS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1818, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ASSET MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1819, entitled

AN ACT MERGING THE DOMESTIC AND INTER-COUNTRY ADOPTION LAWS OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1820, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PROTECTION OF WAGES AND TIPS RECEIVED BY CERTAIN EMPLOYEES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1821, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN'S DESK IN ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1822, entitled

AN ACT TO PRESCRIBE NUTRITION LABELING FOR FOODS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1823, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSURE AND REGULATION OF NANNY PLACEMENT OR EMPLOYMENT AGENCIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1824, entitled

AN ACT TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF MICROBICIDES TO PREVENT SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1825, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT IMPORTATION OR SHIPMENT OF MAMMALS, BIRDS, FISH (INCLUDING MOLLUSKS

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AND CRUSTACEA), AMPHIBIA,
AND REPTILES, THAT MAY BE
INJURIOUS TO THE PHILIPPINE
ECOSYSTEM, PROVIDING PENAL-
TIES AND EXCEPTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Environment and
Natural Resources**

Senate Bill No. 1826, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE INTER-
ACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT RATING
BOARD

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Information
and Mass Media; Civil Service and Govern-
ment Reorganization; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1827, entitled

AN ACT TO SUPPORT BUSINESS
INCUBATION IN ACADEMIC
SETTINGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1828, entitled

AN ACT IMPOSING CIVIL PENALTIES
ON UNREASONABLE PRICE
INCREASES FOR CRUDE OIL,
RESIDUAL FUEL OIL, OR REFINED
PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Energy; and Trade
and Commerce**

Senate Bill No. 1829, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF
FRANKING PRIVILEGES BY THE

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENT-
ATIVES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1830, entitled

AN ACT TO PROTECT CHILDREN
FROM FOODS THAT POSE A
SIGNIFICANT CHOKING HAZARD

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1831, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING OLD-AGE PENSION
FOR LIFE TO SENIOR CITIZENS-
RA 1616 RETIREES AS WELL AS
SURVIVORSHIP BENEFITS TO
THEIR SURVIVORS, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE PERTINENT
PROVISIONS OF THE SECOND
PARAGRAPH OF SECTION 12 (C)
OF COMMONWEALTH ACT 186,
AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Government Corp-
orations and Public Enterprises; Civil Service
and Government Reorganization; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1832, entitled

AN ACT TO MANDATE A COMPRE-
HENSIVE RESEARCH FOR THE
PREVENTION, CONTROL, AND
MEDICAL MANAGEMENT OF
HEPATITIS C VIRUS INFECTION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Health and Demo-
graphy; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1833, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE LEAVING

**OF CHILDREN UNATTENDED
INSIDE MOTOR VEHICLES**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1834, entitled

**AN ACT REQUIRING RETAIL FOOD
STORES TO POST CONSPICU-
OUSLY NOTICES OF PACKAGING
DATES FOR FRESH OR PROCESSED
MEAT, SEAFOOD AND POULTRY**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1835, entitled

**AN ACT REQUIRING RESTAURANTS
TO CONSPICUOUSLY POST MENUS
INCLUDING THE PRICES OF ALL
FOOD AVAILABLE THEREIN**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1836, entitled

**AN ACT REQUIRING SPECIAL DRIVER'S
EDUCATION FOR PROFESSIONAL
AND TRUCK DRIVERS**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Services; and
Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1837, entitled

**AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE PROPER
LABELING OF PHARMACEUTICAL
PRODUCTS WHICH ACT ON THE
BRAIN AND CENTRAL NERVOUS
SYSTEM SO AS TO IMPAIR
DANGEROUSLY THE CONSUMER'S
ABILITY TO CARRY OUT CERTAIN
ACTIVITIES AND PROVIDING
PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION
THEREFOR**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce;
and Health and Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1838, entitled

**AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 3815, ALSO KNOWN AS THE
REVISED PENAL CODE, AS
AMENDED, ARTICLE 186 ON
MONOPOLIES AND COMBINA-
TIONS IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1839, entitled

**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM
REQUIRING GENERAL HOSPITALS
WITH NEONATAL INTENSIVE
CARE UNITS TO OFFER VACCINES
AGAINST INFLUENZA VIRUS TO
CERTAIN PERSONS**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Health and Demo-
graphy**

Senate Bill No. 1840, entitled

**AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF
ACT NO. 4103 ALSO KNOWN AS
THE INDETERMINATE SENTENCE
LAW, AS AMENDED**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Justice and Human
Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1841, entitled

**AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR DIS-
CLOSURE OF FIRE SAFETY
STANDARDS AND MEASURES
WITH RESPECT TO CAMPUS
BUILDINGS**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1842, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF 1988, ARTICLE 157 ON THE VALUE OF THE FAMILY HOME

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1843, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL POLLING PLACE FOR THE DISABLED AND THE ELDERLY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

Senate Bill No. 1844, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING EMPLOYERS, LABOR CONTRACTORS AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS FROM DISCRIMINATING AGAINST ANY INDIVIDUAL BECAUSE OF AGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1845, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLE 1991, ON REPLACING THE WORD "DEPOSITOR'S" WITH "DEPOSITARY'S" IN ORDER FOR THE LAW TO REFLECT ITS INTENDED MEANING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1846, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING GRANTS FOR THE TRAINING OF MEDICAL RESIDENTS IN PREVENTIVE MEDICINE AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1847, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE ON WOMEN'S HEALTH OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1848, entitled

AN ACT EXEMPTING THE BANK DEPOSITS OF SENIOR CITIZENS FROM THE TWENTY PERCENT (20%) WITHHOLDING TAX ON INTEREST INCOME, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Ways and Means; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

Senate Bill No. 1849, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES FROM CHARGING TO THE GOVERNMENT THE SALARIES OF THEIR PERSONAL PRIVATE SECURITY GUARDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1850, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 881, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE OMNIBUS ELECTION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, SECTION 97, ON CONDUCTING FUND-RAISING ACTIVITIES FOR POLITICAL PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

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. 1851, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR THE ELECTORAL PROCESS, ENUMERATING PROHIBITED ACTS, AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR PENALTIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; Public Information and Mass Media; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1852, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING COURT ORDERS, WRITS AND INJUNCTIONS WHICH PREVENT MEDIA REPORTS AND COMMENTARIES ON, PUBLICATION OF, PROCEEDINGS *SUB JUDICE*, EXCEPT UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1853, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING INTERNET GAMBLING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Games, Amusement and Sports

Senate Bill No. 1854, entitled

AN ACT TO BAN CERTAIN TRUCKS IN PARTICULAR HOURS OF THE DAY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1855, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7157, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE FOREIGN SERVICE ACT OF 1991," TITLE 111, SECTION 30, BY DELETING THE REQUIREMENT OF CONFIRMATION BY THE COMMISSION ON APPOINTMENTS OF FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS WHO JOIN THE FOREIGN SERVICE THROUGH LATERAL ENTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Foreign Relations

Senate Bill No. 1856, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING GRANDPARENTS THE VISITATION RIGHTS OVER THEIR GRANDCHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1857, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION AND

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TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ACTIVITIES RELATED TO WATER USE EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION TECHNOLOGIES AND PRACTICES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Science and Technology; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1858, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF VEHICLE THEFT ALARM SYSTEMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1859, entitled

AN ACT TO ENHANCE CITIZEN ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT INFORMATION AND SERVICES BY ESTABLISHING THAT GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS ISSUED TO THE PUBLIC MUST BE WRITTEN CLEARLY AND IN PLAIN LANGUAGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1860, entitled

AN ACT TO ENHANCE AND FURTHER RESEARCH INTO PARALYSIS AND TO IMPROVE REHABILITATION AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR PERSONS LIVING WITH PARALYSIS AND OTHER PHYSICAL DISABILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1861, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF

OVER-THE-COUNTER WEIGHT LOSS SUPPLEMENTS TO MINORS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1862, entitled

AN ACT TO PREVENT THE INADVERTENT DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION ON A COMPUTER THROUGH THE USE OF CERTAIN PEER-TO-PEER FILE SHARING SOFTWARE WITHOUT FIRST PROVIDING NOTICE AND OBTAINING CONSENT FROM THE OWNER OR AUTHORIZED USER OF THE COMPUTER

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1863, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PENAL CODE, ARTICLES 171 AND 172, IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES FOR THE FALSIFICATION OF TORRENS CERTIFICATES OF TITLE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1864, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING PRIVATE SECTOR EMPLOYEES COMPENSATORY TIME OFF; BIWEEKLY WORK SCHEDULES AND FLEXIBLE CREDIT HOURS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1865, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 14 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7166, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "SYNCHRONIZED ELECTION LAW OF 1991," ON THE PARTICULAR OFFICE WHERE CANDIDATES SHALL FILE THEIR STATEMENTS OF ELECTION CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES AND PROVIDING ADMINISTRATIVE SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF SAID SECTION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1866, entitled

AN ACT SECURING THE PHILIPPINES' BORDERS TO MAKE MORE EFFECTIVE THE PROHIBITION AGAINST THE ENTRY OF ILLEGAL DRUGS INTO THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1867, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING B.P. BLG. 881, ALSO KNOWN AS THE OMNIBUS ELECTION CODE, SECTION 6, ON FAILURE OF ELECTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1868, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442 KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE, ARTICLE 280, TO CLARIFY THE INDICIA OF PROJECT EMPLOYMENT, REQUIREMENTS FOR REHIRING OF PROJECT EMPLOYEES, AND CONDITIONS

FOR THEIR EMPLOYMENT AND TERMINATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1869, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO LEVY TAXES ON SAND, GRAVEL AND OTHER QUARRY RESOURCES AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 138 OF REPUBLIC ACT 7160 ALSO KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1870, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF SAFETY STANDARDS FOR CHILD RESTRAINTS IN MOTOR VEHICLES AND REQUIRING THE USE OF SUCH RESTRAINTS BY CHILD PASSENGERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1871, entitled

AN ACT TO PROTECT INDIVIDUALS FROM HAVING THEIR MONEY INVOLUNTARILY COLLECTED AND USED FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES BY A CORPORATION, ORGANIZATION OR GROUP

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1872, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING NATIONAL TEACHER ACADEMIES IN ORDER

TO ENCOURAGE AND FACILITATE
ENTRY INTO THE TEACHING
PROFESSION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1873, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING ADVERTISE-
MENTS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES
TO BEAR HEALTH WARNINGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Health and Demo-
graphy; and Trade and Commerce**

Senate Bill No. 1874, entitled

AN ACT PRESCRIBING SCHOOL BUS
SAFETY STANDARDS AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1875, entitled

AN ACT RECOGNIZING BUSINESSES
WHICH SHOW AN EXEMPLARY
COMMITMENT TO PARTICIPATING
WITH SCHOOLS TO ENHANCE
EDUCATORS' TECHNOLOGY CAPA-
BILITIES AND TO MAKE EVERY
STUDENT TECHNOLOGICALLY
LITERATE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1876, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DEPART-
MENT OF JUSTICE TO ANALYZE
AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION
REGARDING THE ADMISSIBILITY
AND QUALITY OF TESTIMONY OF

WITNESSES WITH EXPERTISE
RELATING TO BATTERED WOMEN,
AND TO DEVELOP AND DISSEMI-
NATE TRAINING MATERIALS TO
FACILITATE THE APPROPRIATE
USE OF SUCH EXPERTS TO PRO-
VIDE TESTIMONY IN CRIMINAL
TRIALS OF BATTERED WOMEN,
PARTICULARLY IN CASES
INVOLVING INDIGENT WOMEN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1877, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT
386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL
CODE, ARTICLE 737, MAKING IT
CONSISTENT WITH THE OTHER
PROVISIONS ON DONATIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1878, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING GENDER
DISCRIMINATION IN EMPLOY-
MENT ADVERTISING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1879, entitled

AN ACT CLASSIFYING CYBERSEX
OPERATIONS AS A FORM OF
PROSTITUTION AND IMPOSING
PENALTIES ON CYBERSEX DEN
OPERATORS, PERSONNEL, AND
PROTECTOR/CODDLERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

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Senate Bill No. 1880, entitled

AN ACT EXPANDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION (SRA) SUGAR BOARD, AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 18

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Agriculture and Food

Senate Bill No. 1881, entitled

AN ACT REPEALING SECTION 781 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ON THE GROUND OF SUPERFLUITY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1882, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE PREVALENCE AND ISSUES RELATED TO CONTAMINATION OF WORKERS' HOMES WITH HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS AND SUBSTANCES TRANSPORTED FROM THEIR WORKPLACE AND ISSUING REGULATIONS TO MITIGATE THE FUTURE CONTAMINATION OF WORKERS' HOMES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1883, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WHISTLE-BLOWER BILL OF RIGHTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1884, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INTER-GOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE FOR INTERNATIONAL VISITOR ASSISTANCE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Tourism; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1885, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING DISCOUNTS TO UNDERPRIVILEGED COLLEGE STUDENTS ON BASIC AND EDUCATION SERVICES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1886, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SAFE COSMETICS ACT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1887, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE DESIGNATION OF THE SAFEST ROUTES FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS AND NUCLEAR WASTES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1888, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING QUALITY STANDARDS IN MAMMOGRAPHY

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Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1889, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING INDIGENT BUT GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1890, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING THE RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES OF PARTIES IN ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 1891, entitled

AN ACT PROTECTING CERTAIN TYPES OF MEDICAL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND A PATIENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1892, entitled

AN ACT CREATING PROGRAMS FOR INCARCERATED MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1893, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SAFETY MEASURES FOR CULVERTS OR

OTHER SIMILAR FLOOD OR DRAINAGE SYSTEMS MAINTAINED BY GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Works

Senate Bill No. 1894, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING PARENTS OR GUARDIANS WHO FAIL TO SECURE THEIR FIREARMS FROM BEING ACCESSED BY CHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order And Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1895, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, ARTICLES 221 AND 236

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1896, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR THE IDENTITY OF MILK AND REQUIRING THE LABELING THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1897, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON ENTREPRENEURIAL EDUCATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

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Senate Bill No. 1898, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING THE CIVIL LIABILITY OF DRUG DEALERS IN FAVOR OF PERSONS INJURED BY ILLEGAL DRUGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1899, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROGRAMS TO FACILITATE A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION IN THE INCIDENCE AND PREVALENCE OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE THROUGH REDUCING THE DEMAND FOR ILLEGAL DRUGS AND THE INAPPROPRIATE USE OF ILLEGAL DRUGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Order, and Illegal Drugs; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1900, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN ENVIRONMENTAL MARKETING CLAIMS MONITORING PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Finances

SECOND ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

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

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 1901, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROGRAM OF EDUCATION DESIGNED TO HELP ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY

OF AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION AVOID INVOLVEMENT WITH ILLEGAL DRUGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1902, entitled

AN ACT EMPOWERING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY TO REGULATE ABUSIVE TELE-MARKETING ACTIVITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1903, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING COMPUTER EDUCATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1904, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1905, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES AND REQUIRING DEBT COLLECTORS TO OBSERVE SUCH PRACTICES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

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Senate Bill No. 1906, entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE THREE, BOOK FOUR, OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBERED TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1907, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7353, ALSO KNOWN AS THE RURAL BANKS ACT OF 1992

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 1908, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PRIVACY PROTECTION COMMISSION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1909, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 70 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1529 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PROPERTY REGISTRATION DECREE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1910, entitled

AN ACT TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO TAKE SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

LEAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACADEMIC SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OF THEIR CHILDREN OR TO PARTICIPATE IN LITERACY TRAINING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1911, entitled

AN ACT TO COMBAT ABUSE AND INCREASE PENALTIES FOR CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1912, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AT LEAST ONE (1) SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER FOR EACH SCHOOL DIVISION AND AT LEAST THREE (3) SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTERS IN BIG SCHOOL DIVISIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, GUIDELINES FOR GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1913, entitled

AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE LAW AGAINST GAMBLING AND/OR BETTING BY PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES, FORFEITURE AND CONFISCATION PROVISIONS AND ESTABLISHING A *PRIMA FACIE* PRESUMPTION FOR VIOLATIONS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THESE PURPOSES PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1602

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Games, Amusement and Sports; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1914, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN LAND ADMINISTRATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1915, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLES 804, 805, 810 AND 811, PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF VIDEO TAPES OR OTHER SIMILAR VISUAL RECORDING DEVICE FOR TESTAMENTARY DISPOSITION OF THE ESTATE OF THE DECEDENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1916, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, AND TERTIARY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA RESOURCES, TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT, TRAINING, AND IMPROVEMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1917, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING LEGAL STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1918, entitled

AN ACT SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO PARENTS WHO WANT TO HELP THEIR CHILDREN BECOME SUCCESSFUL READERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1919, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 40 (D) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 ALSO KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AS AMENDED, ON DUAL ALLEGIANCE AS A DISQUALIFICATION FOR CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR ANY ELECTIVE LOCAL POSITION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Local Government; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1920, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING CONCURRENCE TO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND EXECUTIVE AGREEMENTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Foreign Relations

Senate Bill No. 1921, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH HOME VISITING PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1922, entitled

AN ACT ALLOWING MARRIED OR LEGALLY SEPARATED WOMEN TO USE THEIR MAIDEN NAME AND SURNAME, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLES 370 AND 372, AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 209 SERIES OF 1987, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE, ARTICLE 63

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1923, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MINIMUM CONTENTS OF A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT OF ELECTIONS TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO CONGRESS BY THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1924, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7394 ALSO KNOWN AS THE CONSUMER ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, ARTICLE 94

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1925, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS REGARDING THE QUALITY OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE AND TO MONITOR

COMPLAINTS REGARDING SUCH SERVICE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1926, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT ON THE BASIS OF SEX, ETHNICITY, PHYSICAL CONDITION, RELIGIOUS BELIEF OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION IN CONNECTION WITH ADMISSION TO AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION PARTICIPATING IN ANY PROGRAM AUTHORIZED UNDER THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1927, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 32 OF R.A. NO. 7166 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 1991 SYNCHRONIZED ELECTION LAW

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1928, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE COMMISSION ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

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Senate Bill No. 1929, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AMONG HIGH RISK YOUTH

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1930, entitled

AN ACT THAT REQUIRES ALL PROVIDERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AND CARRY OUT PLANS FOR PROCUREMENT FROM BUSINESSES OWNED BY MINORITIES AND WOMEN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Cultural Communities

Senate Bill No. 1931, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING RETAIL STORES THAT PROVIDE PLASTIC BAGS TO CONSUMERS TO IMPLEMENT A PLASTIC BAG COLLECTION AND RECYCLING PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Trade and Commerce; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1932, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AGRICULTURE WEATHER OFFICE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Science and Technology

Senate Bill No. 1933, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLES 333 AND

344, AND REPEALING ARTICLE 334, OF THE PENAL CODE, ELIMINATING GENDER BIAS IN ADULTERY AND CONCUBINAGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1934, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR LOCAL AUTONOMY IN THE DETERMINATION OF STATE POLICY ON GAMBLING, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, SECTIONS 2, 27 AND 133 (O)

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Local Government; and Games, Amusement and Sports

Senate Bill No. 1935, entitled

AN ACT IMPOSING HIGHER PENALTIES FOR VEHICULAR ACCIDENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1936, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND A UNIFORM STRATEGY TO PROTECT WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENT CRIME

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1937, entitled

AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL WOMEN'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE POLICY AND PRESCRIBING

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEVELOPING, COORDINATING AND IMPLEMENTING A NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR WOMEN'S ENTERPRISE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1938, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO GATHER INFORMATION ABOUT, STUDY, AND REPORT TO THE CONGRESS REGARDING, INCIDENTS OF ABANDONMENT OF INFANT CHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

Senate Bill No. 1939, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING REFUSAL TO ENROLL STUDENTS, RELEASE CARDS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR CLEARANCE PURPOSES, IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR FAILURE TO PAY MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FEES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1940, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING UNAUTHORIZED INTERCEPTION AND PRECEPTION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1941, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT 7877, ALSO KNOWN AS THE ANTI-SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT, AS AMENDED, SECTION 7 ON THE PENALTIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1942, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8485, ALSO KNOWN AS THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT OF 1998, SECTION 8 ON THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE ACT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Senate Bill No. 1943, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE MATERNITY BENEFITS OF WOMEN WORKERS IN GOVERNMENT AND IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1944, entitled

AN ACT BANNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM SMOKING WITHIN THE WORK PREMISES DURING OFFICIAL WORK HOURS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

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Senate Bill No. 1945, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING PERSONS WHO MAY REGISTER AS VOTERS TO PRESENT ANY PROOF OF LEGAL RESIDENCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8189, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE VOTERS REGISTRATION ACT OF 1996 AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 1946, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING MEASURES TO ENHANCE THE ACCEPTABILITY OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS AS SECURITY FOR LOANS OBTAINED FROM LENDERS, BANKS, AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THEREBY PROMOTING ACCESS TO RURAL CREDIT, PROVIDING MECHANISMS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agrarian Reforms; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1947, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDATORY PERIOD TO RELOCATE SQUATTERS, GRANTING DISTURBANCE FEES TO OWNERS OF ILLEGALLY OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL LAND, AND PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement; and Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1948, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING THE PROBA-

TIONARY PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT OF ACADEMIC PERSONNEL IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS, THEREBY AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442 (AS AMENDED), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1949, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO APPLY THE SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF HYDROTHERMAL, GEOTHERMAL, AND OTHER SOURCES OF ENERGY FOR ELECTRIFICATION OF OTHER AREAS WITHIN THE PROVINCE WHERE THE SOURCE OF ENERGY IS LOCATED AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 294 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Local Government; and Energy

Senate Bill No. 1950, entitled

AN ACT MAINTAINING THE PRESENT PROVISION ON PROBATIONARY EMPLOYMENT INCREASING AT THE SAME TIME THE GOVERNMENT'S PROTECTION TO PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ART 281 OF THE LABOR CODE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

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**THIRD ADDITIONAL
REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

The Deputy Secretary for Legislation read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

RESOLUTIONS

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 161, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE/S OF THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 01, S. 2010 JOINTLY ISSUED BY THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION AND THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY COMMISSION AND SUBSEQUENT ISSUANCES OF THE CHED AND PRC THAT WILL EFFECTIVELY PREVENT COUNTLESS INNOCENT GRADUATES AND WOULD BE GRADUATES OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES FROM TAKING PRC-ADMINISTERED BOARD EXAMINATIONS AND WHICH RUN COUNTER TO THE CONCEPT OF AUTONOMY OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AS PROVIDED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LEGISLATIVE CHARTERS AND UNDER EXISTING LAWS

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Education, Arts and Culture

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 162, entitled

RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS TO REVIEW THE 2011 APPROPRIATION FOR THE FREE LEGAL AID PROGRAM OF THE GOVERNMENT WITH THE

END IN VIEW OF FINDING WAYS TO STRENGTHEN THE PROGRAM INCLUDING THE FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING ITS APPROPRIATION

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Finance; and Justice and Human Rights

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 163, entitled

RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ANENT THE FULL POTENTIAL OF THE BUSINESS PROCESS OUTSOURCING (BPO) INDUSTRY WITH THE END-IN-VIEW OF FORMULATING AND ADOPTING SOUND ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE SECTOR AND TO DESIGN PROMOTIONAL SCHEMES THAT WOULD ATTRACT FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN THIS NEWLY-EMERGING INDUSTRY

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committee on Economic Affairs

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 164, entitled

RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEES ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; AND PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE INCREASING OCCURRENCE OF CYBER STALKING CASES AND THE *MODUS OPERANDI* ADOPTED IN THE INTERNET TO PERPETUATE CRIMES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF FORMULATING LEGISLATION AND POLICY MEASURES GEARED TOWARDS CURBING CYBER STALKING AND OTHER CYBER CRIMES AND PROTECT ONLINE USERS IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Science and Technology; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 165, entitled

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY TO BAN ANY AND ALL BABY PRODUCTS UTILIZING BISPEHNOL A SUBSTANCE

Introduced by Senator Villar

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Trade and Commerce

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 166, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE/S TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALLEGED EXPLOITATIVE PRACTICE OF SOME HOSPITALS THAT EMPLOY REGISTERED NURSES AND NURSING GRADUATES AS "ON-THE-JOB TRAINEES" (OJTs) INSTEAD OF HIRING THEM AS REGULAR EMPLOYEES AND WITHOUT GIVING PROPER COMPENSATION, AND THE ALLEGATION THAT THESE HOSPITALS CHARGE THE NURSES ADDITIONAL FEES FOR TRAINING, WORK EXPERIENCE AND CERTIFICATION

Introduced by Senator Cayetano (P.)

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 167, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED RESURGENCE OF ILLEGAL JUETENG BECAUSE OF ALLEGED PROTECTION, IF NOT CONNIVANCE, PROVIDED BY

CERTAIN PEOPLE WHO ARE INFLUENTIAL IN THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

Senator Sotto stated that the earlier manifestation of Senator Guingona should similarly be included in the referral of Proposed Senate Resolution No. 167 so that it would not be necessary for Senator Guingona to file a separate resolution on the matter.

Senator Marcos stated that he and Senator Guingona, chair of the Blue Ribbon Committee, have agreed that the Committee of Local Government which he chairs should be included, as a secondary committee, in the investigation on *jueteng* operations since it would involve the police and local government officials.

Upon motion by Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Chair referred the manifestation of Senator Guingona and Proposed Senate Resolution No. 167 to the Committees on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations; Local Government; and Rules, the latter to look into the propriety of referring the resolution to a third committee.

OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the following senators were elected members of the oversight committees hereunder indicated:

Joint Congressional Oversight Committee on the Clean Water Act

Senator Honasan vice Senator Osmeña

Congressional Oversight Committee on the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines

Senator Osmeña vice Senator Honasan

COAUTHOR

Upon his request, Senator Escudero was made coauthor of Senate Bill Nos. 1251, 1270, 1277, 1287, 1298, 1323 and 1338.

MOTION OF SENATOR ZUBIRI

Upon motion of Senator Zubiri, there being no objection, the Body approved the reading of

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Senate Bill No. 2146, a measure similar to Senate Bill No. 739 which was already referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, ahead of the other bills on First Reading in view of the scheduled public hearing on Wednesday and the request of the author of the measure.

Pursuant to the motion, the Secretary of the Senate read the title of the bill which the Chair referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources:

Senate Bill No. 2146, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE
MALAMPAYA SOUND SITUATED
IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF
TAYTAY AND SAN VICENTE,
PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, AS A
PROTECTED AREA UNDER THE
CATEGORY OF PROTECTED
LANDSCAPE AND SEASCAPE

PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGE-
MENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

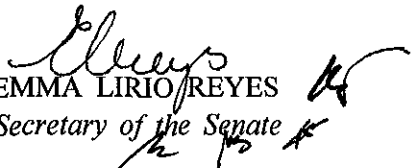
Introduced by Senator Cayetano (P)

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 the following day.

It was 4:23 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


EMMA LIRIO REYES
Secretary of the Senate

Approved on September 14, 2010