

SENATE
P. S. R. No. 1253

Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY,
IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO CREATE GUIDELINES
AND IMPLEMENT STRICTER MEASURES ON THE CREATION AND
REGULATION OF PUBLIC UTILITY JEEPNEY TERMINALS

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 5 provides: "The maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

WHEREAS, various complaints alleged the need to designate terminals where people could ride on or alight from a public utility jeepney (PUJ) in various areas in Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, although these terminals already exist, there is a lack of implementation on the side of traffic enforcers to ensure that PUJs stop at these terminals or that people ride or alight only in these designated places;

WHEREAS, these terminals ensure the smooth and steady flow of traffic, and also lower the possibility of accidents;

WHEREAS, traffic enforcers should devise creative ways to ensure that PUJs, as well as passengers, will comply with traffic rules;

WHEREAS, there is also a need to increase the number of such terminals and place them at areas that are accessible to people, especially those with disabilities;

WHEREAS, these terminals should also be properly lighted and have the proper signage; it should also have trash bins since it has been a common observation by various complainants that PUJ terminals are often littered with candy wrappers and cigarette butts;

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Development Authority as well as local governments should come up with creative ways to ensure that traffic rules and regulations are followed;

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 reported need to create guidelines and implement stricter measures on the creation and regulation of public utility jeepney terminals.

Adopted,


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