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**A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE PROPER COMMITTEES
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY AND INVESTIGATION, IN
AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE UNREGULATED TAXI BOUNDARY RATES
IMPOSED BY TAXI OPERATORS AND THEIR NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE
LAW ON LABOR STANDARDS OF TAXI DRIVERS**

WHEREAS, it is common knowledge among taxi cab drivers not only in Metro Manila but through out the country that the boundary system rates imposed by taxi operators upon the drivers vary because its imposition is unregulated;

WHEREAS, in 2007 the unregulated boundary system rates in Metro Manila range from P700 – P900 (for a 12-hour tour) and P1,200 – P1,500 (for 24-hour tour) which rates have already been increased by the taxi operators at present;

WHEREAS, due to the high taxi rates, taxi drivers find them hard to pay their operators per day and their take home pay is very minimal to cope with their daily family expenses;


WHEREAS, as a result of these rates, taxi drivers resort to different schemes to augment their income which sometimes inconvenience the riding public, such as allowing different passengers to board one taxi cab to pay a fixed rate for a different destinations, refusing a passenger whose destination is known to the taxi driver to be traffic clogged, fast driving resulting in reckless driving to comply with his boundary rate, even taking drugs to shun drowsiness, among others;

WHEREAS, most, if not all taxi operators consider their drivers as renters of the cab they drive and not employees and thus, they do not follow the labor standard law in dealing with the drivers;

WHEREAS, taxi operators do not pay the Social Security System premiums of their drivers which the drivers shoulder themselves, do not regularize the drivers, fire the drivers without due process and do not shoulder the expenses of the drivers in case of accidents and other physical contingencies;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Senate, that the proper committees conduct an inquiry and investigation, in aid of legislation, regarding the unregulated taxi boundary rates imposed by taxi operators and their non-compliance with the with the law on labor standards of taxi drivers.

Adopted,


JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA
Senator