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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., the Senate President Pro Tempore, Hon. Ralph G. Recto, called the session to order.

PRAYER

Senate President Franklin M. Drilon led the prayer, to wit:

Almighty Father, we praise and thank You.

We once again invoke Your presence and divine guidance for all the members of this Chamber.

As we begin a new chapter in the Senate, may we be given a new spirit and a new heart to work for the welfare of our people.

Let us also be reminded of the selflessness and integrity of our beloved former President Corazon C. Aquino, whose death anniversary we commemorated last Thursday, August 1.

We humbly ask You, Lord, to provide us with all the virtues she had to help us uplift the image of our institution in front of the Filipino people.

Father, we thank You for giving us our former president. We thank You for this wonderful grace. We thank You for providing us with a leader worthy of emulation and love.

For everything, Lord, we thank You, in the Name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour.

Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The A.I.L.M. Chorale led the singing of the national anthem and thereafter rendered the song, entitled *Purihin si Yahweh!*

ROLL CALL

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary of the Senate, Atty. Oscar G. Yabes, called the roll, to which the following senators responded:

Angara, S.	Lapid, M. L. M.
Binay, M. L. N. S.	Legarda, L.
Cayetano, A. P. C. S.	Marcos Jr., F. R.
Drilon, F. M.	Poe, G.
Ejercito, J. V. G.	Recto, R. G.
Estrada, J.	Revilla Jr., R. B.
Guingona III, T. L.	Sotto III, V. C.
Honasan, G. B.	Villar, C. A.

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

Senators Aquino, Enrile, Escudero, Osmeña, Pimentel and Trillanes arrived after the roll call.

Senator Cayetano (P), who was on official business, arrived after the roll call.

Senator Defensor Santiago was sick.



APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the Journal of Session No. 6 (July 31, 2013) and considered it approved.

MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR CAYETANO (A)

Senator Cayetano (A) stated that the session would be suspended to enable the Body to go into a caucus.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), the session was suspended.

It was 3:07 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:59 p.m., the session was resumed with Senate President Drilon presiding.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary of the Senate read the following resolutions which the Chair referred to the committees hereunder indicated:

Senate Joint Resolution No. 2, entitled

JOINT RESOLUTION INCREASING THE SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE OF ALL OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) AND OF ALL COMMISSIONED AND NON-COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) FROM NINETY PESOS (P90.00) TO ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY PESOS (P150.00) PER DAY

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To The Committees on National Defense and Security; Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Finance

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2, entitled

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROPOSING THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 16, ARTICLE VII OF THE 1987 PHILIPPINE CONSTITUTION IN ORDER TO LIMIT THE CONFIRMATION PROCESS OF THE COMMISSION ON APPOINTMENT FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) TO THE POSITIONS OF CHIEF-OF-STAFF OF THE AFP AND SERVICE COMMANDERS OF THE ARMY, AIR FORCE, AND NAVY ONLY

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 25, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LAWS THAT PROTECT THE INTERESTS AND WELFARE OF TEACHERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 26, entitled

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

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs

Proposed Senate Res. No. 27, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALERTNESS AND RESPONSIVENESS OF THE GOVERNMENT TO THE INTERNATIONAL DISEASE OUTBREAKS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 28, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROPRIETY OF GRANTING POWERS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO IMMEDIATELY SOLVE THE WORSENING TRAFFIC AND FLOODING PROBLEMS IN METRO MANILA AND NEARBY PROVINCES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; and Public Services

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 29, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) SOCIAL INSURANCE FUND AND THE NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS RAISED AGAINST GSIS FOR ALLEGED INEFFICIENCIES IN THE PROCESSING AND DELIVERY OF MEMBERS' BENEFITS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING A HEALTHY PENSION FUND

SYSTEM THAT WOULD BE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF ITS MEMBERS

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 30, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE COCONUT LEVY ASSETS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THAT IT WILL BE USED PRIMARILY FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL COCONUT FARMERS AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COCONUT INDUSTRY

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 31, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED DELAYS IN THE RELEASE OF MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE PLATES, STICKERS AND TAGS BY THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROVIDING PROMPT, ADEQUATE AND TRANSPARENT DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Public Services

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 32, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE STATE OF THE

EMERGENCY REPATRIATION FUND UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION, CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE OVERSEAS WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRATION (OWWA), TO EVALUATE ITS UTILIZATION AND DISBURSEMENT, AND ASSESS ITS EFFECTIVENESS IN ADDRESSING THE PROMPT NEEDS OF DISTRESSED OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWS) WORLDWIDE

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 33, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE TO INVESTIGATE, INQUIRE AND LOOK INTO, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALLEGED OVERCHARGING BY THE TWO (2) WATER CONCESSIONAIRES PRIMARILY OPERATING IN METRO MANILA, BY PASSING MORE THAN P15 BILLION PESOS OF CORPORATE TAXES AND OTHER EXPENSES ON TO CONSUMERS BETWEEN 2008 TO 2012 WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE METROPOLITAN WATERWORKS AND SEWERAGE SYSTEM, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF DETERMINING COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS AND ENACTING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION TO PROTECT THE INTEREST OF CONSUMERS

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 34, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD; ON HEALTH AND

DEMOGRAPHY; AND ON TRADE AND COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FAILURE TO STOP RAMPANT MEAT AND OFFAL SMUGGLING THAT THREATENS THE VIABILITY OF THE LOCAL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY INDUSTRIES, UNDERMINES MEASURES TO ENSURE SUPPLY OF HIGH-QUALITY MEAT AND MEAT PRODUCTS AND DIMINISHES GOVERNMENT REVENUES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ATTAINING FOOD SAFETY AND SECURITY AND STRENGTHENING THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; Trade and Commerce; and Ways and Means

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 35, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; AND ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED ABUSIVE PRACTICES IN THE GRANT AND USE OF VARIOUS MINING PERMITS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7942 OR THE PHILIPPINE MINING ACT OF 1995, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PREVENTING SUCH ABUSIVE PRACTICES

Introduced by Senator Recto

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 36, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SERVICE CONTRACTS ISSUED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO THE ENERGY EXPLORATION

COMPANIES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THAT SUCH CONTRACTS ARE NOT DISADVANTAGEOUS TO GOVERNMENT AND TO OUR INDIGENOUS ENERGY RESOURCES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Energy

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 37, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REGULAR RECRUITMENT PROGRAM, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING ITS EFFECTIVENESS AND TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY IN THE UTILIZATION OF ALLOCATED FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE

Introduced by Senator Recto

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 38, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON GOVERNMENTAL PROCEDURES ON SECURING DIFFERENT TYPES OF PERMITS AND LICENSES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF STREAMLINING BUREAUCRATIC PROCESSES, LESSEN IF NOT TOTALLY ELIMINATE RED TAPE AND ULTIMATELY DEVELOP A "FEES BOOK" OR A UNIVERSAL GUIDE TO ALL THESE TRANSACTIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL THOSE WHO TRANSACT WITH THE GOVERNMENT

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 39, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINE PRIVATIZATION PROGRAM BY THE PRIVATIZATION COUNCIL AND THE PRIVATIZATION MANAGEMENT OFFICE, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF GENERATING GREATER REVENUES FOR THE GOVERNMENT AND STREAMLINING THE BUREAUCRACY

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Finance

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 40, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE GOVERNMENT'S MASS HOUSING ROADMAP, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF STRENGTHENING THE RELOCATION PROGRAM, ENSURING THE PROVISION OF SAFE AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS FOR INFORMAL SETTLERS AND POSSIBLY ENGAGING THE HELP OF THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN PROVIDING CHEAP FINANCING

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 41, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS (BLUE RIBBON) TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY INTO THE ALLEGED TEN BILLION PESOS

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PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (PDAF) SCAM INVOLVING THE JANET LIM-NAPOLES GROUP WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE SAME

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 42, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE LARGE DISPARITY IN HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX LEVEL AMONG PROVINCES, ESPECIALLY IN CONFLICT AREAS IN MINDANAO

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 43, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO REDUCE THE HUNGER INCIDENCE IN THE COUNTRY AND ACHIEVE THE MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 44, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FORMULATION OF MECHANISMS TO AMEND THE

PAGCOR CHARTER IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE EFFICIENCY IN THE USE OF ITS FUNDS, AND THE TRANSPARENCY IN ITS OPERATIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 45, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COUNTRY'S DISMAL PERFORMANCE IN ACHIEVING THE MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS (MDGs) PARTICULARLY IN POVERTY REDUCTION AND MATERNAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 46, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, 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. 47, entitled

RESOLUTION CREATING AN AD HOC

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COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A NATIONAL COMPETITION FOR THE ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN OF A NEW SENATE BUILDING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 48, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE 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. 49, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO INVEST ON DISASTER PREPAREDNESS TRAINING AND INTER-GOVERNMENT COORDINATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Climate Change

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 50, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED LACK OF BARANGAY HEALTH CENTERS IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Local Government

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 51, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO CREATE AN ANTI-VENOM BANK IN ALL REGIONAL HOSPITALS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 52, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO MONITOR AND CONTROL THE USE OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS IN PRODUCTS SOLD IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 53, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED POOR FORENSIC INVESTIGATION BY PHILIPPINE AUTHORITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 54, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-

LATION, ON THE ALLEGED BIAS IN FAVOR OF RICH AND INFLUENTIAL INMATES AT BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY FACILITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 55, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CONTINUED PREVALENCE OF THE WORST FORMS OF CHILD LABOR, AND THE URGENT NEED FOR PROACTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF OUR EXISTING LAWS TO CURB THESE LABOR ABUSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 56, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS ON THE HEALTH THREATS THAT FACE THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN REGION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 57, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE WATER ROAD MAP OF THE GOVERNMENT IN RELATION TO A REPORTED LOOMING WATER CRISIS IN TEN

YEARS THAT COULD IMPERIL NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REVIEWING AND STRENGTHENING THE MANDATES OF STATE-RUN WATER AGENCIES AND ENSURING THE ADEQUATE, SAFE AND AFFORDABLE WATER SUPPLY TO FILIPINO HOUSEHOLDS

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Public Services

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 58, entitled

RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND COMMENDING THE ARTISTIC ACHIEVEMENTS, PHILANTHROPY AND EDUCATION ADVOCACY OF MR. ALLAN "APL.DE.AP" PINEDA

Introduced by Senator Drilon

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 60, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE MASS TRANSIT ROADMAP OF THE GOVERNMENT, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF DETERMINING ITS VIABILITY AND ENSURING A SAFE, RELIABLE, EFFICIENT AND AFFORDABLE PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEM

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Public Services

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. 401, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE,

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ISSUANCE, MANUFACTURE, AND SALE OF FALSE ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 402, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING FAMILY LEAVE TO ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 403, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING WILLFUL FAILURE TO PAY LEGAL CHILD SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 404, entitled

AN ACT LIMITING THE POWER OF THE PRESIDENT TO IMPOUND APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Finance

Senate Bill No. 405, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM FOR THE VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT, VERIFICATION, AND STANDARDIZED LABELING OF THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF CONSUMER PRODUCTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 406, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING FULL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FROM ALL ENTITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS RECEIVING GOVERNMENT FUNDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Finance

Senate Bill No. 407, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 452 OF REPUBLIC ACT 7160 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, BY INCREASING THE LOCALLY GENERATED AVERAGE ANNUAL INCOME REQUIREMENT FOR THE CREATION OF A HIGHLY URBANIZED CITY

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 408, entitled

AN ACT CREATING A HYDROGEN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Energy; Science and Technology; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 409, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE SOYBEAN AUTHORITY TO PROMOTE THE CULTIVATION, PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, MARKETING AND DISTRIBUTION OF SOYBEAN (GLYCINE MAX) AND SOYBEAN PRODUCTS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 410, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING CODE AND RATING SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Public Works; Environment and Natural Resources; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 411, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 412, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 26 OF EVERY YEAR AS A NATIONAL SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY, TO BE KNOWN AS "FILIPINO DAY OF GOODWILL" OR BOXING DAY

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 413, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING INCENTIVES TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE COMMUTING BY BICYCLES OR OTHER NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORT VEHICLES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Public Services; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 414, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING THE BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES CHARTER, DEFINING ITS OBJECTIVES, POWER AND FUNCTIONS, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 111, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 415, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN REAL PROPERTY VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES, REORGANIZING THE BUREAU OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Ways and Means; Local Government; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 416, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING ROAD RAGE, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Public Services

Senate Bill No. 417, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING PALLIATIVE AND END OF LIFE CARE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 418, entitled

AN ACT MOVING THE OBSERVANCE OF RIZAL DAY FROM DECEMBER 30 TO JUNE 19, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26, CHAPTER 7, BOOK 1 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 419, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF PLASTIC BAGS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 420, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT FUND, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 421, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE LAOAG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY, TRANSFERRING EXISTING ASSETS OF THE LAOAG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO THE AUTHORITY, VESTING THE AUTHORITY WITH POWER TO

ADMINISTER AND OPERATE THE LAOAG INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 422, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN SITUATIONS OF ARMED CONFLICT AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 423, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DHUD), DEFINING THE MANDATES, POWERS, AND FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

To the Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 424, entitled

AN ACT REORGANIZING THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6939, CREATING THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Introduced by Senator Marcos Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 425, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION, SECURITY AND BENEFITS OF WHISTLEBLOWERS

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 426, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 220, CHAPTER II, TITLE VIII OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT AMENDING THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 427, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE IMPOSITION OF PENALTY LOWER THAN THAT PRESCRIBED BY LAW IN CRIMINAL CASES THE CIVIL CASE OF WHICH IS SETTLED THROUGH OR BY ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION AMENDING FOR THAT PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9285

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 428, entitled

AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL CAREER ASSESSMENT EXAMINATION TO INSTITUTIONALIZE A CAREER DIRECTION PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY GRADUATES, DEFINING ITS SCOPE AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 429, entitled

AN ACT REORGANIZING AND MODERNIZING THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 430, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1096, THE NATIONAL BUILDING CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED, BY MANDATING A COMPREHENSIVE NATIONWIDE INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS AND IMPOSING STIFF PENALTIES AGAINST BUILDING OFFICIALS WHO VIOLATE THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE SAID CODE

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committees on Public Works; and Local Government

Senate Bill No. 431, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN LAND ADMINISTRATION

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 432, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING CERTAIN ACTS IN THE IMPOSITION OF EXCESSIVE PLACEMENT FEES AGAINST OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 433, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT
REFORM ACT

Introduced by Senator Escudero

**To the Committee on Constitutional Amend-
ments, Revision of Codes and Laws**

Senate Bill No. 434, entitled

AN ACT BANNING THE RE-APPOINT-
MENT OF A REGULAR MEMBER OF
THE JUDICIAL AND BAR COUNCIL
(JBC) WHO HAS ALREADY
SERVED THE FULL TERM

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 435, entitled

AN ACT IMPLEMENTING SECTION 24,
ARTICLE XVIII OF THE CONSTITU-
TION ON THE DISMANTLING OF
PRIVATE ARMIES AND OTHER
PRIVATE ARMED GROUPS NOT
RECOGNIZED BY DULY CONSTI-
TUTED AUTHORITY AND APPRO-
PRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 436, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MORE
RESPONSIVE CIVIL REGISTRA-
TION SYSTEM

Introduced by Senator Escudero

**To the Committee on Constitutional Amend-
ments, Revision of Codes and Laws**

Senate Bill No. 437, entitled

AN ACT CONVERTING ALL ROADS
LEADING TO TOURIST DESTINA-
TIONS AND PORTS AS NATIONAL
ROADS

Introduced by Senator Escudero

**To the Committees on Public Works; and
Tourism**

Senate Bill No. 438, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE RULES
ON THE PROPER USE AND DISPLAY
OF OUR NATIONAL SYMBOLS
AND THE RENDITION OF THE
NATIONAL ANTHEM, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 8491, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE "FLAG AND HERALDIC CODE
OF THE PHILIPPINES," AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Escudero

**To the Committee on Constitutional Amend-
ments, Revision of Codes and Laws**

Senate Bill No. 439, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 2 AND
5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9227,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT
GRANTING ADDITIONAL COM-
PENSATION IN THE FORM OF
SPECIAL ALLOWANCES FOR
JUSTICES, JUDGES AND ALL OTHER
POSITIONS IN THE JUDICIARY
WITH THE EQUIVALENT RANK OF
JUSTICES OF THE COURT OF
APPEALS AND JUDGES OF THE
REGIONAL TRIAL COURT

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Finance

Senate Bill No. 440, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE
FUNCTIONAL AND STRUCTURAL

ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 441, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA OF WORKERS IN THE INFORMAL SECTOR, INSTITUTIONALIZING MECHANISMS FOR IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NOS. 7160 AND 8282

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committees on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 442, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 443, entitled

AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OR THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Escudero

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 444, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE A CIVIL ACTION FOR A MINOR INJURED BY EXPOSURE TO AN ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCT CONTAINING MATERIAL THAT IS HARMFUL TO MINORS

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 445, entitled

AN ACT ADDRESSING THE SYSTEM OF PROSTITUTION, IMPOSING PENALTIES ON ITS PERPETRATORS, PROVIDING PROTECTIVE MEASURES AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR ITS VICTIMS, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 202 AND 341 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Introduced by Senator Escudero

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

Senate Bill No. 446, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE SPECIAL MASS TRANSIT SYSTEM SUPPORT FUND, REALLOCATING THE DISPOSITION OF MONIES COLLECTED FROM THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 7 AND 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ACT OF 2000

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Public Works; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 447, entitled

AN ACT PRIORITIZING THE AGRI-

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CULTURAL SECTOR IN THE GRANT OF LOANS BY THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Agriculture and Food

Senate Bill No. 448, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS TO FURTHER PROTECT AND DEVELOP MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 81, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE 1986 REVISED CHARTER OF THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES," AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 449, entitled

AN ACT HONORING AND GRANTING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO FILIPINO CENTENARIANS, DECLARING THE 25TH OF SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL RESPECT FOR CENTENARIANS DAY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

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

Senate Bill No. 450, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF UNEMPLOYMENT OR INVOLUNTARY SEPARATION BENEFITS TO ELIGIBLE MEMBERS OF THE

SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8282, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

SECOND ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 451, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING PENSIONS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 452, entitled

AN ACT EXCLUDING 13TH MONTH PAY AND OTHER BENEFITS FROM THE COMPUTATION OF TAXABLE INCOME AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 32 (B) (7) (e) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 453, entitled

AN ACT EXCLUDING OVERTIME PAY



FROM THE COMPUTATION OF TAXABLE INCOME AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 32 (B) (7) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 454, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING TO THREE THOUSAND PESOS (P3,000) THE MONTHLY PERSONNEL ECONOMIC RELIEF ALLOWANCE (PERA) GRANTED TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

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

Senate Bill No. 455, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF THE COCONUT LEVY ASSETS BY THE PRIVATIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE, CREATING THE COCONUT INDUSTRY FUND COMMITTEE, AND PROVIDING FOR THE MANAGEMENT, INVESTMENT, AND USE OF PROCEEDS OF SUCH ASSETS FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE COCONUT FARMERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 456, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN THE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, INCREASING PENALTIES FOR

SMUGGLING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, THEREBY AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways And Means

Senate Bill No. 457, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE EXCISE TAX ON MINERALS, MINERAL PRODUCTS AND QUARRY RESOURCES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 458, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING BROADER PROTECTION TO CONSUMERS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7394, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CONSUMER ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 459, entitled

AN ACT ENCOURAGING MORE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) PROJECTS, CREATING THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP (PPP) GUARANTY FUND, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6957, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7718, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "BUILD-OPERATE-TRANSFER" (BOT) LAW

Introduced by Senator Recto

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To the Committees on Public Works; Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 460, entitled

AN ACT EXEMPTING TOLLWAY OPERATIONS FROM THE TWELVE PERCENT (12%) VALUE ADDED TAX, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 108 AND 109 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9337, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 461, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE THRESHOLD FOR CERTAIN NON-VAT TAXPAYERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 109 AND 236 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 462, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO LOWER THE RATE OF VALUE ADDED TAX TO TEN PERCENT (10%), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 106 (A), 107 (A), AND 108 (A) OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT (R.A.) NO. 9337

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 463, entitled

AN ACT ADDRESSING THE CLASS-

ROOM SHORTAGE BY RATIONALIZING THE ALLOCATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DEPED) BUDGET FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7880, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAIR AND EQUITABLE ACCESS TO EDUCATION ACT

Introduced by Senator Recto

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

Senate Bill No. 464, entitled

AN ACT PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM UNREASONABLE FEE INCREASES BY PROVIDING FOR A CONSUMER GROUP REPRESENTATION IN THE GOVERNING BOARDS OF GOVERNMENT REGULATORY BODIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THEIR RESPECTIVE CHARTERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 465, entitled

AN ACT REDUCING ELECTRICITY RATES BY ALLOCATING THE NET NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHARE FROM THE MALAMPAYA NATURAL GAS PROJECT FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE STRANDED CONTRACT COSTS AND STRANDED DEBTS OF THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Finance; and Energy

Senate Bill No. 466, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE REVISED AFP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM,



EARMARKING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT SHARE IN THE MALAMPAYA NATURAL GAS TO POWER (MNGP) PROJECT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7898, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10349

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Finance; and Energy

Senate Bill No. 467, entitled

AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1146, AS AMENDED, EXPANDING AND INCREASING THE COVERAGE AND BENEFITS OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM TO INCLUDE ELECTED AND APPOINTED BARANGAY OFFICIALS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Drilon

To the Committees on Finance; and Government Corporations and Public Enterprises

Senate Bill No. 468, entitled

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE COUNSEL, BY REDEFINING, EXPANDING, STRENGTHENING, RATIONALIZING AND FURTHER PROFESSIONALIZING ITS ORGANIZATION, UPGRADING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Drilon

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

Senate Bill No. 469, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM FOR TAX INCENTIVES MANAGEMENT AND TRANSPARENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Drilon

To the Committee on Finance

Senate Bill No. 470, entitled

AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1606, AS AMENDED

Introduced by Senator Drilon

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 471, entitled

PHILIPPINE IMMIGRATION ACT OF 2013

Introduced by Senator Drilon

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

Senate Bill No. 472, entitled

AN ACT STREAMLINING THE JURISDICTION OF THE SANDIGANBAYAN AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF SANDIGANBAYAN ASSOCIATE JUSTICES AND DIVISIONS AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1606, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7975 AND REPUBLIC ACT 8294, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Guingona III

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 473, entitled

AN ACT TO IMPLEMENT THE COMPETITION POLICY UNDER THE CONSTITUTION, STRENGTHEN THE PROHIBITION AGAINST ABUSE OF MONOPOLY POWER OR DOMINANT POSITION, PREVENT

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CARTELS, COMBINATIONS IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE AND OTHER ANTI-COMPETITIVE PRACTICES AND CONDUCT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Guingona III

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; Economic Affairs; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 474, entitled

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT CORPORATE COUNSEL, BY RE-DEFINING, EXPANDING, STRENGTHENING, RATIONALIZING AND FURTHER PROFESSIONALIZING ITS ORGANIZATION, UPGRADING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 475, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION THROUGH SPECIAL EDUCATION IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS NATION-WIDE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BUREAU OF SPECIAL EDUCATION CREATING THE IMPLEMENTING MACHINERY THEREOF, PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT FOR OTHER SERVICES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 476, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE AMUSEMENT INDUSTRY SAFETY BOARD THEREBY STRENGTHENING THE AMUSEMENT PARKS AND RIDES INDUSTRY, INSTITUTING SAFETY STANDARDS AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Games and Amusement; Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 477, entitled

AN ACT ENHANCING THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE PROCUREMENT PROCESS BY MANDATING THE VIDEO RECORDING OF ALL PROCUREMENT RELATED CONFERENCES, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT OF 2003," PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 478, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT ON ITS SCOPE AND APPLICATION

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 479, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE FUNCTIONAL AND STRUCTURAL

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ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 480, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE QUARTERS ALLOWANCE OF OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 481, entitled

PHILIPPINE IMMIGRATION ACT OF 2013

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 482, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE HAZARDOUS AND RADIOACTIVE WASTES MANAGEMENT, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 483, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE RIGHTS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) MEMBERS, PROVIDING THEM

ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION IN THE GSIS BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 484, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A POLICY MECHANISM FOR THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF THE ISLAND OF BORACAY, MUNICIPALITY OF MALAY, PROVINCE OF AKLAN, DEFINING FOR THE PURPOSE THE MODE OF ACQUISITION FOR PARCELS OF LAND WITHIN THE ISLAND CLASSIFIED AS AGRICULTURAL LAND OPEN TO DISPOSITION UNDER PROCLAMATION NO. 1064 AND PROVIDING ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 485, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 20 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 486, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING MANDATORY COMPUTER EDUCATION IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOLS AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

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Senate Bill No. 487, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM SALARY GRADE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS FROM SALARY GRADE 11 TO 20 AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 488, entitled

AN ACT GIVING TAX CREDIT TO PHYSICIANS RENDERING *PRO BONO* SERVICES TO POOR PATIENTS

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 489, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL OF THE ACTIVE FORCE OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 490, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ICT HUB IN EVERY PROVINCE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Public Services; Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 491, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PROVINCES AND HIGHLY-URBANIZED CITIES

TO ESTABLISH A SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 492, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING THE OFFENSES OF HOARDING, PRICE MANIPULATION AND PROFITEERING, DECLARING THE SAME TO BE TANTAMOUNT TO ECONOMIC SABOTAGE, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 493, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF MARITIME AFFAIRS PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 494, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING "PRIVATE ARMIES AND OTHER ARMED GROUPS", IMPLEMENTING THE CONSTITUTIONAL PROVISION FOR THEIR DISMANTLING, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 495, entitled

AN ACT TO ENHANCE TRANSPARENCY AND ETHICS IN THE JUDICIARY BY ESTABLISHING AN OFFICE OF

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INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR THE JUDICIAL BRANCH, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 496, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING AUTOMATIC PROMOTION OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES UPON RETIREMENT FROM GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 497, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF TRANSACTION WINDOWS AND THE CREATION OF E-SERVICES IN ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, MINIMIZING OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE COMMISSION OF BRIBERY AND OTHER CORRUPT PRACTICES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 498, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL INSURANCE COVERAGE AND BENEFITS FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES WHO ARE KILLED, WOUNDED OR INJURED IN THE LINE OF DUTY, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PREMIUMS AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on National Defense and Security; Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 499, entitled

AN ACT TO EFFECTIVELY INSTILL HEALTH CONSCIOUSNESS THROUGH PICTURE-BASED WARNINGS ON TOBACCO PRODUCTS

Introduced by Senator Drilon

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

Senate Bill No. 500, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO PETER WALLACE

Introduced by Senator Drilon

To the Committee on Rules

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUEST

At this juncture, Senator Cayetano (A) acknowledged the presence in the gallery of Mayor Jonathan Tan of the Municipality of Pandan, Antique.

The Senate President welcomed the guest to the Senate.

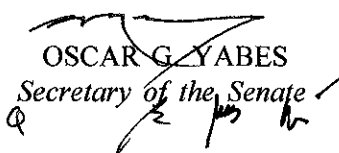
ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Cayetano (A), there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of the following day.

It was 5:30 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

OSCAR G. YABES
Secretary of the Senate



Approved on August 6, 2013