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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:01 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Franklin M. Drilon, called the session to order.

PRAYER

Sen. Jinggoy Estrada led the prayer, to wit:

Ilagay po natin ang ating mga sarili sa mapagpalang presensya ng Panginoon. Ama naming makapangyarihan sa lahat, muli kaming naririto, Iyong mga anak na hinirang ng taong bayan upang maglingkod bilang mga mambabatas ng ating bansa, ang dakilang "Perlas ng Silangan." Narito kaming humihingi ng Inyong pagtitiwala tulad ng pagtitiwalang ipinagkaloob sa amin ng mamamayang Pilipino.

Igawad Mo sa amin ang Inyong katalinuhan na siyang lumikha ng batas ng sansinukob, ng kalikasan at ng sanlibutan. Nawa'y makibahagi kami kahit sa payak na paraan sa katalinuhang ito upang maipagpatuloy namin ang pagaakda ng mga batas na naaayon sa totoong pangangailangan ng aming bayan.

Igawad mo rin sa amin ang katatagan upang sa kabila ng lahat ng pagsubok, paninira, pagkakasakit ay maging matibay kami sa pagtupad ng aming mga gawain, sa aming paninindigan at mga sariling prinsipyo. Marami ang nais buwagin ang aming samahan bilang mataas na kapulungan at sinasamantala ang pagkakaiba ng aming mga partido upang maghasik ng dibisyon at di pagkakaunawaan. Hinihiling namin na hindi matinag ang pagsasamahang ito, bagkus ay lalong tumibay ang aming pagsasamahan.

Igawad Niyo rin po Panginoon, ang Inyong paggagabay sa mga bago naming mga kasamahan sa Senadong ito. Gabayan mo sila sa kanilang pakikiisa sa aming mga mithiin at gawain. Gawin Mo silang laging bukas sa pag-alalay ng mga nakatatanda at maging mapagpakumbaba sa pagtatanggap sa kanilang kakulangan upang madali nilang matutuhan at makasanayan ang mga gawaing iniatang sa kanila ng bayan.

Ang lahat ng ito ay aming hinihiling mula kay Kristong aming Panginoon.

Amen.

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:

Honasan, G. B. Angara, S. Aquino, P. B. IV B. Lapid, M. L. M. Binay, M. L. N. S. Osmeña III, S. R. Cayetano, A. P. C. S. Poe, G. Drilon, F. M. Revilla Jr., R. B. Sotto III, V. C. Enrile, J. P. Estrada, J. Trillanes IV, A. F. Guingona III, T. L. Villar, C. A.

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

Senators Ejercito, Escudero, Marcos, Pimentel and Recto arrived after the roll call.

Senator Cayetano (P) was on official mission.

Senator Defensor Santiago was on sick leave.

Senator Legarda was absent.

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. 10 (August 12, 2013) and considered it approved.

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. 851, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIP-PINE INFORMATION AGENCY (PIA), AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 100 ALSO KNOWN AS "CREATING THE PHILIPPINE INFORMATION AGENCY" BY PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL FUNCTION, ESTAB-LISHING A NATIONWIDE WELFARE FUND AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Finance Senate Bill No. 852, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL MANPOWER DATA AND PLACE-MENT CENTER, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 853, entitled

AN ACT PRESCRIBING WORK ARRANGEMENTS BASED ON SECURITY OF TENURE, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE, ARTICLES 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, AND 165 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED FORTY TWO (PD 442), AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 854, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7277, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MAGNA CARTA FOR DISABLED PERSONS, GRANTING ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES AND INCENTIVES TO DISABLED PERSONS SIMILAR TO THOSE ENJOYED BY SENIOR CITIZENS, AND OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 855, entitled

AN ACT TO INSTITUTE A NATIONAL BAKERY INDUSTRY POLICY AND TO CREATE THE NATIONAL BAKERY REGULATORY AGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 856, entitled

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

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 857, entitled

AN ACT CREATING AND ESTABLISH-ING THE CENTER FOR STUDIES ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Cultural Communities; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 858, entitled

AN ACT ACCREDITING THE PHILIP-PINE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AS THE INTEGRATED MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 859, entitled

AN ACT TO PUNISH TRANSMISSION OF INDECENT MATERIAL BY COMPUTER TO MINORS

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Justice and Human Rights Senate Bill No. 860, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INTERNATIONAL MONEY TRANSFER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 861, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE PROTECTION FROM PERSONAL INTRUSION FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 862, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DISADVANT-AGED CHILDREN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 863, entitled

AN ACT TO INTEGRATE IN THE CURRICULA OF ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS INCLUDING NON-FORMAL, INDIGENOUS LEARNING AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH PROGRAMS, A COURSE ON PHILIPPINE SOCIETY AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Environment and Natural Resources Senate Bill No. 864, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE NATIONAL MAPPING AND RESOURCE INFORM-ATION AUTHORITY (NAMRIA)

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; National Defense and Security; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 865, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING UNLAWFUL THE COMMERCIAL USE OF TELEPHONES FOR MAKING INDECENT OR OBSCENE COMMUNICATIONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 866, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A WORKING TIME FLEXIBILIZATION IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, THEREBY AMENDING ARTICLES 83, 85 AND 87 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE FOUR HUNDRED FORTY TWO (PD 442), AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 867, entitled

AN ACT TO INSTITUTE THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE FAMILY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance Senate Bill No. 868, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING THE TWENTY SEVENTH DAY OF JULY OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NATIONAL HOLIDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF THE FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO (INC) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 869, entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND ARTICLE XXII, SECTION 261 (DD) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 881, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE OMNIBUS ELECTION CODE, AS AMENDED, TO INCLUDE OTHER FORMS OF ELECTORAL FRAUD, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation

Senate Bill No. 870, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING NEWLY APPOINTED GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO UNDERGO ORIENTATION COURSES UPON ASSUMPTION TO OFFICE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 871, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING MOTHERS WHO TAKE COCAINE OR OTHER ILLEGAL DRUGS DURING PREGNANCY AND THEREBY CAUSE DEATH OR SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURY TO THE UNBORN CHILD OR NEW-BORN AND AMENDING ARTICLES 255 AND 264 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 872, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7227 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "BASES CONVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACT OF 1991" AS AMENDED BY THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7917, EXPAND-ING THE ALLOCATION OF REVENUES FROM THE SALE, LEASE, JOINT-VENTURE AGREEMENTS AND OTHER TRANSACTION INVOLVING MILITARY BASES AND RESERV-ATIONS, ALLOCATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 873, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR REHABILITATION AND IMPROVE-MENT, CREATING A BASIC EDUCATION REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FUND, APPRO-PRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 874, entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 881, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE OMNIBUS ELECTION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation

Senate Bill No. 875, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 876, entitled

AN ACT RESTORING TO CONGRESS THE POWER TO APPROPRIATE PAYMENTS ON DEBT SERVICE, REVIVING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 6 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4860 (FOREIGN BORROWING ACT), AND REPEALING SECTION 7 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 81, SECTION 31 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1177 AND SECTIONS 1, 2 AND 3 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1967

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Finance; and Economic Affairs

Senate Bill No. 877, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING THE FARMERS' AND FISHERFOLK ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2013 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Senate Bill No. 878, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE SERVICES, THROUGH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, REGULATING THEIR OPERATIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 879, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR COUNSEL-ING AND TESTING OF PREGNANT WOMEN AND NEWBORN INFANTS FOR INFECTION WITH HUMAN IMMUNO DEFICIENCY VIRUS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 880, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING HAZARD PAY TO ALL DULY-APPOINTED BARANGAY TANOD BRIGADES DURING THEIR INCUMBENCY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Local Government; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 881, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CENTER FOR AUTISM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Health and Demography; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance Senate Bill No. 882, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIP-PINES, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 883, entitled

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

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 884, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIP-PINE REPUBLIC BROADCAST-ING SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 885, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF THE VERNACULAR AND FILIPINO IN FUNCTIONAL LITERACY AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS CLASS-ROOM USE

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 886, entitled

AN ACT TO DEFINE THE ROLE OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) DURING ELECTIONS

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation; and National Defense and Security

Senate Bill No. 887, entitled

AN ACT ADOPTING A RETAIL PRICE MAINTENANCE AND UNIFORM DISCOUNTING SCHEME IN BOOK TRADE WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE AND QUALITY -LADEN TEXTBOOKS AND OTHER RELATED EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS TO BE USED BY PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 888, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING MULTI-DISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CENTERS REGARDING WOMEN'S HEALTH AND DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONDUCTING A RESEARCH PROGRAM ON HORMONE DISRUP-TION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 889, entitled

ENTITLED "THE NEW CENTRAL BANK ACT" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 890, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING TELECOM-MUNICATIONS SYSTEMS ACCESS-IBILITY TO THE HEARING-IMPAIRED AND SPEECH-IMPAIRED

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 891, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL RESEARCH FACILITY TO SEARCH FOR VACCINES FOR DENGUE, MALARIA, YELLOW FEVER AND OTHER LOCAL VIRUS OR BACTERIA-BASED DISEASES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 892, entitled

AN ACT SEEKING TO PROTECT THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN GARBAGE COLLECTION, WORK-ING IN DUMPSITES OR ASSIGNED IN DISASTER AREAS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SEVENTY-SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY-THREE

Senate Bill No. 893, entitled

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OR SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, TO DECLARE WORKING OR NON-WORKING SPECIAL HOLIDAYS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCALITIES TO COMMEMORATE SIGNIFICANT HISTORIC EVENTS PROVIDING **GUIDELINES THEREFOR, AND FOR** OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 894, entitled

AN ACT PROTECTING THE WELFARE OF THE FILIPINO FAMILY THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL FAMILY WELFARE PROGRAM, CREATION OF THE NATIONAL FAMILY WELFARE COMMISSION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

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

Senate Bill No. 895, entitled

AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE STRENG-THENING OF THE NATIONAL EXTENSION SYSTEM TO ACCELE-RATE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; Local Government; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 896, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING RETIREMENT, HEALTH CARE AND DEATH BENEFITS TO PROFESSIONAL FILIPINO ATHLETES WHO WIN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES IN INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS OR IN OTHER EQUALLY PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL GAMES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Games and Amusement; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 897, entitled

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CAREER EXECUTIVE SERVICE

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 898, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED NINETY-SEVEN, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MERCHANT MARINE OFFICERS LAW

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 899, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING AND REGULATING THE TRAVEL AGENTS PROFESSION

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Tourism; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 900, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDA-TORY LABELING OF POLYVINYL CHLORIDE (PVC) PRODUCTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

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. 901, entitled

AN ACT DECLARING THE LAST FULL WEEK OF AUGUST AS NATIONAL MILITARY APPRECIATION WEEK

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and National Defense and Security

Senate Bill No. 902, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1827 SO AS TO IMPOSE HIGHER PENALTIES FOR THOSE ENGAGED IN UNFAIR AND UNETHICAL LOBBYING PRACTICES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 903, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DIVISION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL ACCOUNT-ABILITY TO ADMINISTER ALL MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE ACTIVITIES DEALING WITH ACADEMIC ACCOUNTABILITY FOR EACH SCHOOL OR SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND TO REPORT ACADEMIC PROGRESS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 904, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE NATIONAL RESEARCH, DEVELOP-MENT AND EXTENSION CENTER FOR BANANA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 905, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION AND DISPOSAL OF BIO-MEDICAL WASTES, DECLAR-ING CERTAIN ACTS UNLAWFUL, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THERETO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 906, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGISTRATION, LICENSURE AND PRACTICE OF FOOD TECHNO-LOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 907, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE REGISTRA-TION, LICENSURE AND PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 908, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A FRAMEWORK IN THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF DIABE-TES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 909, entitled

AN ACT CREATING A SICK LEAVE BANK FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 910, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING A DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM PROVI-DING THE IMPLEMENTING MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Public Services

Senate Bill No. 911, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE COLLECTION, TRANSPORT-ATION AND RECYCLING OF ELECTRONIC WASTE AND CELLULAR PHONES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Trade and Commerce Senate Bill No. 912, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN VEHI-CLES/CARRIAGES TRAVERSING MAIN AND SECONDARY ROADS TO USE REFLECTORS, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 913, entitled

AN ACT RENUMBERING ALL EXIST-ING DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS TO CONFORM AND CORRESPOND WITH THE NUMBERINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS THROUGH-OUT THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Public Works

Senate Bill No. 914, entitled

AN ACT TO REGULATE AND MODERNIZE THE PRACTICE OF CHEMISTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 754 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF CHEMISTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 915, entitled

AN ACT EXPANDING THE NUMBER OF DISORDERS INCLUDED IN THE NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 916, entitled

AN ACT PROPOSING THE CREATION OF THE PHILIPPINE BAMBOO AND RATTAN CENTER (PBRC) TO CONSERVE, PROPAGATE AND PROMOTE BAMBOO AND RATTAN SPECIES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 917, entitled

AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (PNPA), AND POLICE NATIONAL TRAINING INSTITUTE (PNTI) FROM THE PHILIPPINE PUBLIC SAFETY COLLEGE TO THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 66-67 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To The Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 918, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE TIME OFF WITH PAY FOR EMPLOYEES WHO DONATE ORGAN, BONE MARROW, BLOOD, OR BLOOD PLATELETS

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 919, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL

FIBER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (NAFIDA), DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIAT-ING FUNDS THEREFOR, MODIFY-ING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECU-TIVE ORDER NO. 294 SERIES OF 1991 AND REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT 8486, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

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

Senate Bill No. 920, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING FALSE OR FRAUDULENT ADVERTISING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 921, entitled

AN ACT EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9064, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "NATIONAL ATHLETES, COACHES AND TRAINERS BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES ACT OF 200" BY INCLUDING ATHLETES WITH DISABILITY, ADDING OTHER INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND STRENGTHENING THE CASH AND NON-MONETARY BENEFITS GRANTED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Recto

To the Committees on Amateur Sports - Competitiveness; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 922, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 443, 454, AND 463 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991 Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committees on Local Government; and Tourism

Senate Bill No. 923, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS FOR THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs

Senate Bill No. 924, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING FOR QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE STAFF OF ELECTORAL CANDIDATES AND REGISTERED NATIONAL POLITICAL PARTIES

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committees on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 925, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MECHANISMS TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE COLLEGE AND POST-GRADUATE TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS FOR THE POOR, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Lapid

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

Senate Bill No. 926, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING A MECHANISM FOR DISCHARGING THE FILING FEES FOR PETITIONS FOR HABEAS CORPUS

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 927, entitled

AN ACT PRESCRIBING FIXED TERMS FOR THE CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CLARK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CORPORATION (CIAC)

Introduced by Senator Lapid

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

Senate Bill No. 928, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 7 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, EARMARKING 10% OF THE MOTOR VEHICLES USER'S CHARGE FOR THE GREEN HIGHWAY FUND

Introduced by Senator Lapid

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

Senate Bill No. 929, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING AIRLINE CARRIERS TO PROVIDE TRAINING TO FLIGHT ATTENDANTS AND GATE ATTENDANTS REGARDING THE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL, THE RECOGNITION OF INTOXICATED PASSENGERS, AND THE MANNER OF ENGAGING DISRUPTIVE PASSENGERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committees on Public Service; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 930, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE USE OF PHILIPPINE MATERIALS IN CONTRACTS FOR PUBLIC WORKS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Works

Senate Bill No. 931, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE SECRETARIES OF HEALTH AND LABOR TO ISSUE REGULATIONS TO ELIMINATE OR MINIMIZE THE SIGNIFICANT RISK OF NEEDLESTICK INJURY TO HEALTH CARE WORKERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 932, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6713, ALSO KNOWN AS AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STAND-ARDS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, TO UPHOLD THE TIME-HONORED PRINCIPLE OF PUBLIC OFFICE BEING A PUBLIC TRUST, GRANTING INCENTIVES AND REWARDS FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE, ENUMERATING PROHI-BITED ACTS AND TRANSACTIONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 933, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO POST TRANSACTION FEES FOR EACH AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE TRANSACTION AND RESTRICTING TRANSACTION FEES FOR AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To The Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 934, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF ASPARTAME ON FOOD, BEVERAGES AND DRUGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 935, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPRE-HENSIVE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Senate Bill No. 936, entitled

AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS RECEIVE THE PROTECTION AND SERVICES THEY REQUIRE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 937, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A P125.00 DAILY ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE SALARY RATES OF EMPLOYEES AND WORKERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 938, entitled

- AN ACT TO COMBAT ABUSE AND ENHANCE PENALTIES FOR CRIMES AGAINST AND TO STRENGTHEN GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND SUPPORT MECHANISMS FOR SENIORS
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 939, entitled

- AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4670, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS "THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 940, entitled

- AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TAX EXEMPTIONS AND SUBSIDIES FOR THE LOCAL MUSIC INDUSTRY, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committees on Local Government; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 941, entitled

- AN ACT PROVIDING FOR P6,000 INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM PAY OF EMPLOYEES AND WORK-ERS IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR NATIONWIDE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 942, entitled

- AN ACT TO PROVIDE COMPENSA-TION, REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOSPITALIZATION EXPENSES, AND OTHER BENEFITS, TO CIVILIANS CAUGHT IN THE CROSSFIRE BETWEEN REBELS AND THE MILITARY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; National Defense and Security; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 943, entitled

- AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION BY THE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD OF SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF THE REVENUES ACCRUING TO THE INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS FUND (IPAF), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Ways and Means Senate Bill No. 944, entitled

- AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SUMMARY TITLING OF REAL PROPERTIES USED AS SITES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND APPRO-PRIATING FUNDS THEREOF
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 945, entitled

- AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE RIGHTS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) MEMBERS, PROVIDING THEM ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION IN THE GSIS BOARD, ENSURING PROMPT PAYMENT OF ALL THEIR BENEFITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 946, entitled

- AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 12-B OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8282, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 947, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNATTENDED CHILDREN IN MOTOR VEHICLES Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committee n Public Services

Senate Bill No. 948, entitled

- AN ACT INCREASING THE TAX ON IDLE LANDS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE, SECTION 236 OF R.A. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

To the Committees on Local Government; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 949, entitled

- AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8187, OTHER-WISE KNOWN AS THE PATERNITY LEAVE ACT OF 1996
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

Senate Bill No. 950, entitled

- AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6971, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE PRODUCTIVITY INCENTIVES ACT OF 1990," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
- Introduced by Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.

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

INQUIRY OF SENATOR SOTTO

Senator Sotto said that he noticed that part of the

manifestation that he made the previous day was not reflected in the *Journal* even as he clarified that he wanted to make sure that his comments and statements were reflected in the *Record of the Senate*. He said that it was his understanding that upon his request, the Chair made it clear that his remarks would not be included in the referral to the committees.

Responding thereto, Senator Cayetano (A) explained that the Journal does not contain the verbatim discussion on the Senate floor but that it is simply a summary of the important matters taken up in plenary. He said that it is the *Record of the Senate* that contains a verbatim or a faithful reproduction of everything that has been said on the floor, and that the only exception is when a Member asks that a remark be stricken off the Records, although, it would still appear in the Record that the remark was said but it has been stricken off the record.

REMARKS OF SENATOR HONASAN

Senator Honasan said that he would depose his trust in the collective wisdom of the Body and the Senate President whether the matter should be included in the Record or not.

STATEMENT OF THE CHAIR

Senate President Drilon emphasized that everything that is said on the floor the moment the session is called to order is reflected in the Record. He stressed that the Senate President, the Majority Leader or the Chamber has no discretion in erasing anything from the *Record of the Senate* unless there is a motion, duly seconded and approved, to strike a statement off the record.

On the other hand, he explained that the Journal is a summary of what was discussed on the floor. He stated that in the case raised by Senator Sotto, the Senator expressly stated and requested that his remarks not be referred to the appropriate committee and it was for this reason that they were not included in the Journal. He said that he wanted to set the record straight because this could be a precedent that can be looked at in the future Congresses.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Senator Cayetano (A) acknowl-

edged the presence in the gallery of the following guests:

- Teachers and students of Candent Learning Haus and Create and Learning Paths School, headed by Ms. Joji Reynes Santos;
- Mayor Elsa Navarro, Vice Mayor Loring Roa and members of the municipal council and department heads of Clarin, Misamis Occidental; and
- Dr. Macapado "Mac" Muslim, president of the Mindanao State University

Senate President Drilon welcomed the guests to the Senate.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

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

It was 3:36 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:37 p.m., the session was resumed.

SECOND ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Atty. Regina Evangelista read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

RESOLUTIONS

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 137, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NEED TO STRICTLY IMPLEMENT THE CODE ON SANITATION OF THE PHILIPPINES WITH REGARD TO THE GOVERNMENT'S RIGHT ON CONDUCTING AUTOPSIES IN THE INTEREST OF JUSTICE, DESPITE THE DISAPPROVAL OF THE VICTIM'S RELATIVES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 138, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORT FROM THE UNITED NATIONS POPULA-TION FUND AND HELPAGE INTER-NATIONAL URGING COUNTRIES TO CREATE LAWS THAT WILL EXTEND THE YEARS OF HEALTH OF OLDER PEOPLE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 139, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED FOR A STRONGER GOVERNMENT PRESENCE ONLINE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Science and Technology

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 140, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NECESSITY FOR IMMEDIATE PROVISION OF PSYCHOSOCIAL AND LIVELIHOOD SUPPORT FOR WOMEN SEVERELY AFFECTED BY CALAMITIES AND DISASTERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Health and Demography Proposed Senate Resolution No. 141, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO REVIEW THE INEQUITABLE VALUE-ADDED TAX IMPOSED ON HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION AND CONDOMINIUM DUES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Ways and Means; and Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 142, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE NEED TO CURB THE INCREASING PREVALENCE OF ILLEGAL IMPORTATION OF PLY-WOOD FROM CHINA RESULTING IN HUGE LOSSES TO THE LOCAL PLYWOOD INDUSTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 143, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON REVISITING THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6541, OR THE BUILDING CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1586, AND OTHER PERTINENT LAWS IN LIGHT OF GROWING PUBLIC CONCERNS ON THE IMPACT OF GEOLOGIC HAZARDS ON THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF HOUSES AND BUILDINGS IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Works; and Environment and Natural Resources Proposed Senate Resolution No. 144, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED DESECRATION OF BURIAL SITES IN SAGADA

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 145, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON IMPROVING AND STRENGTHENING THE COMPETITIVENESS OF THE LOCAL HALAL INDUSTRY IN THE GLOBAL MARKET AND SECURING THE STANDARDS OF LOCAL HALAL PRODUCTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 146, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INOUIRY, IN AID LEGISLATION, ON OF THE PROPOSAL FROM THE BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY TO HAVE SOME DETAINEES PAY RENT FOR SPACE, FOOD, AND UTILITIES WHILE THEIR CASES ARE BEING HELD IN COURT, AND THE WORSENING CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY'S JAILS THAT PROMPTED SUCH PROPOSAL

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Public Order and Dangerous Drugs Proposed Senate Resolution No. 147, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NEED TO ENACT MEASURES TO CURB THE YEARLY RISE OF DENGUE CASES IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 148, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT SCIENTIFIC FINDINGS THAT THE ANTIMICROBIAL COMPOUNDS TRICLOSAN AND TRICLOCARBAN ARE HAZARDOUS TO HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 149, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED INCREASE OF STRANDED MARINE MAMMALS IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 150, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE PRACTICE OF FEEDING WHALE SHARKS BY LOCAL TOURISM INDUSTRIES, AND ITS IMPACT ON THE ANIMAL'S NATURAL WAY OF LIFE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Tourism

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 151, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON STRENGTHENING AND AUGMENTING EXISTING LAWS PROTECTING VARIOUS CROCODILE SPECIES IN THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 152, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE WORSENING AIR QUALITY DUE TO MAN-MADE EMISSIONS ACCORDING TO A STUDY BY THE EUROPEAN GEOSCIENCES UNION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 153, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE WORSENING WATER CRISIS IN THE ASIAN REGION, AND THE NEED FOR THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT TO IMPLEMENT EFFICIENT WATER GOVERNANCE PRACTICES TO COMBAT WATER SHORTAGE Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Climate Change; and Public Works

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 154, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED INCREASE IN THEFT CASES INVOLVING AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES (ATM)

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 155, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE DEPLORABLE ABUSES ALLEGEDLY PERPETRATED BY BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND THE NEED TO INSTITUTE STANDARD PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING CASES OF CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE LAW ESPECIALLY IN THE BARANGAY LEVEL

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 156, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO IMPLEMENT STRICTER PENALTIES AGAINST HAZING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 157, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S CALL FOR GOVERNMENTS TO STRENGTHEN PROGRAMS TO CURB TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND REDUCE ROAD DEATHS IN ACCORDANCE TO THE AIMS OF THE UNITED NATIONS' DECADE OF ACTION FOR ROAD SAFETY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Public Works

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 158, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE FORMULA-TION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF REFERENCE POINTS FOR FISH HARVEST TO ADDRESS OVER-FISHING IN THE COUNTRY'S WATERS AND MANAGE A SUSTAIN-ABLE FISHERY AS PROPOSED BY THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND TO THE WESTERN AND CENTRAL PACIFIC FISHERIES COMMISSION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 159, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE PROLIFERATION OF FLY-BY-NIGHT CLINICS OFFERING TREATMENT FOR SEXUALLY-TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography Proposed Senate Resolution No. 160, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE PROLIFERATION OF MARINE DEAD ZONES WHICH COULD LEAD TO HUGE ECONOMIC LOSSES FOR THE COUNTRY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 161, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO INTRODUCE AND IMPLEMENT TOXIC REDUCTION STRATEGIES IN COSMETICS AND OTHER CONSUMER PRODUCTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 162, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE ESSENTIAL BENEFITS OF URBAN AGRICULTURE AS A VIABLE SOLUTION TO THE LOOMING FOOD SHORTAGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 163, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO CREATE A MORE INCLUSIVE FINANCIAL SYSTEM, AND THE REPORTED NEED TO MONITOR AND REGU-LATE FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS OUTSIDE THE BANKING SECTOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 164, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRY THROUGH HAZARD ANALYSIS AND CRITICAL CONTROL POINT CERTIFICATION AS ENDORSED BY THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTER-NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 165, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE PREVAILING AND DEPLORABLE PRACTICE OF ILLEGAL TRAFFICKING OF UNBORN BABIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 166, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE NEED TO CURB THE INCREASING NUMBER OF ILLEGAL REMITTANCE AGENTS BY IMPOSING STRICTER PENAL-TIES AND PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO LEGITIMATE REMITTANCE CHANNELS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Economic Affairs

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 167, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE-PHILIPPINES' CALL TO REDUCE THE COUNTRY'S DEPENDENCE ON COAL FOR THE COUNTRY'S ENERGY NEEDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Energy

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 168, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON STRENGTHENING THE LEGISLATION ON INDIGEN-OUS AND ENDANGERED SPECIES PATTERNED ON THE ON-GOING SUCCESS OF WORLDWIDE EFFORTS BY ENVIRONMENTALIST GROUPS OF PROTECTING AND INCREASING THE GREEN TURTLE POPULATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 169, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE WORSENING CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY'S CORAL REEFS DUE TO CORAL BLEACHING Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 170, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINES' CAPABILITIES IN DOING BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE STANDARDS SET BY THE 2013 WORLD BANK AND THE INTER-NATIONAL FINANCE CORPORATION REPORT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Economic Affairs

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 171, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NEED TO ENACT A COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL FOOD POLICY TO ADDRESS THE ALARMING INCREASE OF MALNUTRITION AMONG FILIPINO CHILDREN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Health and Demography

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 172, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING YOUNG FILIPINO EXECUTIVE JONATHAN ALLEN YABUT FOR BEING THE FIRST WINNER OF THE APPRENTICE ASIA ON 31 JULY 2013 IN KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 173, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGIS-LATION, ON THE NEED TO PROTECT SEA TURTLES ENDEMIC TO THE PHILIPPINES AND TO ESTABLISH PROTECTED AREAS FOR THEIR NESTING GROUNDS

Introduced by Senator Lapid

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

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 174, entitled

RESOLUTION URGING THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO DEVELOP NEW INDICATORS THAT WILL REFLECT THE HAPPINESS AND WELL-BEING OF FILIPINOS, ADOPTING THE **GROSS NATIONAL HAPPINESS** CONCEPT OF THE ROYAL GOVERNMENT OF BHUTAN, WITH THE END VIEW OF PURSUING THE HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE COUNTRY AMID THE THREATS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

Introduced by Senator Legarda

To the Committee on Economic Affairs

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 175, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROPRIETY OF USING THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS' RESOURCES IN PROVID-ING LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO FILIPINO DRUG MULES IN HONGKONG, WHO ARE NOT EVEN OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFW's)

Introduced by Senator Sotto III

To the Committee tn Foreign Relations

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 176, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING DR. ALICIA SANTOS FOR BEING CONFERRED THE PRESTIGIOUS GAWAD MABINI WITH THE RANK OF DAKILANG KASUGO PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

Introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 177, entitled

RESOLUTION HONORING AND COM-MENDING THE OUTSTANDING PHILIPPINE SOLDIERS (TOPS) OF 2013 AWARDED BY THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC. AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI METRO

Introduced by Senator Trillanes IV

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 178, entitled

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GAMES, AMUSE-MENT AND SPORTS TO LOOK INTO, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE PREPARATIONS BEING DONE FOR THE 27TH SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES

Introduced by Senator Cayetano (P.)

To the Committee on Amateur Sports Competitiveness

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 179, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE FILIPINO CONTESTANTS AND THEIR COACHES FOR WINNING THE OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE ELEMENTARY CATEGORY OR KEY STAGE II DIVISION AT THE 2013 BULGARIA INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS COMPETITION HELD IN BURGAS, BULGARIA LAST 30 JUNE TO 5 JULY 2013

Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 180, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE SMART GILAS PILIPINAS BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING SECOND PLACE IN THE RECENTLY CON-CLUDED FIBA ASIA CHAMPION-SHIPS AT THE MALL OF ASIA ARENA, PASAY CITY

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 181, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING VETERAN FILIPINO ACTOR JOEL TORRE FOR WINNING THE BEST ACTOR AWARD IN THE 17TH PUNCHEON INTERNATIONAL FANTASTIC FILM FESTIVAL (PIFAN) HELD IN BUCHEON GYMNASIUM, JUNG-DONG, GYEONGGI-DO, SOUTH KOREA ON JULY 18, 2013

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 182, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIP-PINE DRAGON BOAT TEAM FOR WINNING TWO SILVER AND TWO BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 11TH INTERNATIONAL DRAGON BOAT FEDERATION (IDBF) WORLD DRAGON BOAT RACING CHAMPION-SHIPS IN SZEGEN, HUNGARY ON 23-28 JULY 2013

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Rules

Proposed Senate Resolution No. 183, entitled

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE TEAM OF FILIPINO STUDENTS WHO GARNERED 23 GOLD, 45 SILVER AND 93 BRONZE MEDALS IN THE RECENT 2013 INTERNATIONAL MATHEMATICS CONTEST (IMC), HELD AT THE GLOBAL INDIAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL IN SINGAPORE ON 3 AUGUST 2013

Introduced by Senator Lapid

To the Committee on Rules

REPORT OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

Senator Cayetano (A) reported to the Body the result of the meeting of the Committee on Rules held earlier that day. He said that the Committee on Rules has created a technical working group and would be sending each senator a letter to solicit suggestions or possible amendments while the Committee is considering the rationalization of the various standing committees.

Senator Cayetano (A) said that the Committee on Rules has received a number of proposals, among which were the following: 1) that the Committee on Amateur Sports Competitiveness be merged with the Committee on Games and Amusements; 2) that the jurisdiction of the Committee on Trade and Commerce be reviewed to include entrepreneurship and matters that are within the current jurisdiction of the Department of Trade and Industry; and 3) that the jurisdiction over the youth sector be separated from the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations to create two committees — Committee on Youth and the Committee on Women and Family Relations, the latter to have additional jurisdiction over gender issues.

Senator Cayetano (A) assured that the Committee on Rules would study the proposals, after which it would consult with the other members of the Body before a formal motion is brought to the floor.

Senator Cayetano (A) further reported that the discussions also included the proposed rationalization of the oversight committees that were created either by law, by a joint resolution, or by a Senate resolution. He said that he and Senator Sotto would welcome recommendations or suggestions relative to the standing committees and that he would personally consult with the chairpersons who have more than one standing committee.

Senator Cayetano (A) also gave assurance that his Committee will abide by Section 15 of the Rules as regards the referral of bills, thus, a bill would only be referred to a primary and a secondary committee, and that a third or fourth committee referral would only be allowed if the bill has something to do with taxation, in which case it will be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, or to the Committee on Finance, if it has something to do with appropriations. He said that as a general rule, requests for a third committee referral, an exception provided for in Section 15 of the Rules, would be discouraged.

Finally, Senator Cayetano (A) stated that the Committee will also study the proposal for a live coverage of the plenary session not only by live streaming but possibly via a C-SPAN or cable TV type of coverage, to allow Filipinos around the globe to witness the legislative work of the Senate.

REQUEST OF THE CHAIR

Senate President Drilon asked the Committee on Rules to likewise review the jurisdiction of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws over "the compilation and revision of existing codes and laws." He noted that such jurisdiction is so broad that necessarily the Committee has to be included in every referral. He proposed that the Committee on Rules consider amending the very broad jurisdiction of the Committee so that not every Senate bill which proposes to amend laws would be referred to it as the secondary committee.

Senator Cayetano (A) stated that the Committee on Rules would comply with the request. He then welcomed suggestions and amendments from the Body, as he admitted that the broadness of the committee jurisdiction pulls away from the other committees such items that should be referred to specific committees.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

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

It was 3:37 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:38 p.m., the session was resumed.

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 Wednesday, August 14, 2013.

It was 3:38 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

OSCAR G. YABES Secretary of the Senate Q

Approved on August 14, 2013