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Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT COMMISSION ON AUDIT (COA) REPORT MORE THAN TWO MILLION PIECES OF COMPACT FLUORESCENT LAMPS BOUGHT BY THE GOVERNMENT IN 2013 COULD NOT BE FULLY ACCOUNTED FOR

WHEREAS, the Constitution, Article 2, Section 27, "The State shall maintain honesty and integrity in the public service and take positive and effective measures against graft and corruption";

WHEREAS, state auditors found that 2,160,194 pieces of compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) bought by the government for ₱178,496,830.22 in 2013 could not be fully accounted for and monitored;

WHEREAS, the Commission on Audit (COA) in its report said the number comprised 60 percent of the 3,636,000 pieces of CFLs procured under the Philippine Energy Efficiency Project (PEEP), for distribution to selected beneficiaries nationwide;

WHEREAS, the CFLs unaccounted for reportedly resulted in the non-submission or submission of incomplete lists of beneficiaries by government agents involved in the distribution, including 180 district and party list representatives, the Department of Social Welfare and Development, and the Provincial Government of Leyte;

WHEREAS, state auditors claimed that as a result, the effectiveness and efficiency of the PEEP could not be ensured;

WHEREAS, the government should put in place sanctions for agencies non-compliance to memoranda of agreement governing the implementation of projects;

WHEREAS, Congress, in exercising the power of the purse, should ensure the judicious use of disbursed public funds;


WHEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the recent Commission on Audit (COA) report more than two million pieces of compact fluorescent lamps bought by the government in 2013 could not be fully accounted for.

Adopted,

Miriam Defensor Santiago
MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PHILIPPINE SENATE to direct the proper Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the recently released Commission on Audit (COA) report that the National Livelihood Development Corporation (NLDC) failed to liquidate P7.615 million in Priority Development Assistance Funds (PDAF) released to nongovernment organizations

Adopted,


MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
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