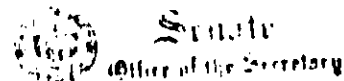


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 327

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Finance on DEC 07 2015.

Re : Senate Bill No. 1508

Recommending that it be archived.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Finance to which was referred Senate Bill No. 1508, introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada, entitled:

**"AN ACT
AUTHORIZING THE LAND MANAGEMENT BUREAU TO CONDUCT A
SURVEY OF CADASTRAL LOTS IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

have considered the same and have the honor to report this bill back to the Senate with the recommendation that Senate Bill No. 1508 be archived.

Commonwealth Act No. 2259, otherwise known as the Cadastral Act, started the cadastral survey program in the country. But the program has not been given enough resources for its implementation since it started in 1913.

With the enactment into law of Republic Act No. 7160 (Local Government Code) in 1992, the functions to conduct cadastral survey, lot survey, and isolated and special survey were devolved from the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to the local government units (LGUs). But these functions were never materialized by the LGUs due to lack of manpower and financial resources.

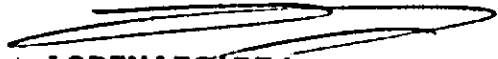
The functions of land surveys were devolved back to DENR through DENR Administrative Order No. 2001-23.

In his 2015 State of the Nation Address, President Benigno Aquino III announced that the cadastral survey of the entire country which started in 1913 has been completed.

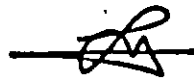
In the August 12, 2015 public hearing of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, Mr. Victor Balde from the Land Management Bureau confirmed that on June 30, 2015 the cadastral survey of the 1,634 cities and municipalities in the entire country, including the 116 municipalities and 2 cities in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM), has been completed.

Respectfully submitted:

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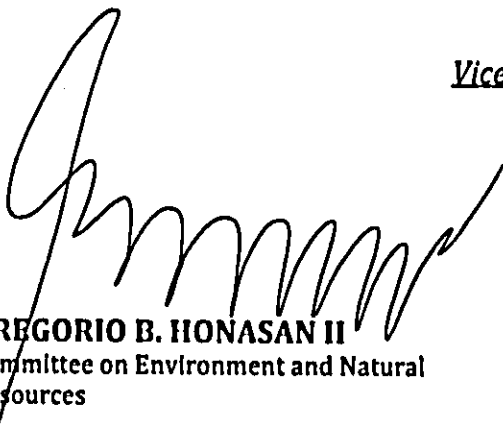


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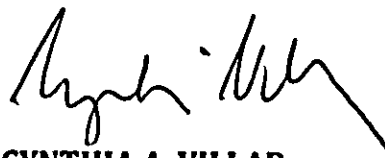


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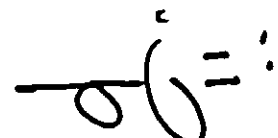
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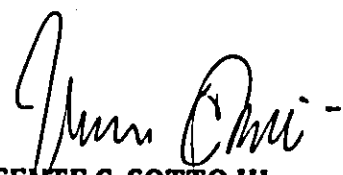
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Senate Bill No. 1508

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

There is an imperative need to conduct a cadastral survey of the entire country to identify the bonafide landowners or claimants. This undertaking is necessary in order to curb the proliferation of fake land titles.

This is the proposal contained in this piece of legislation, authorizing the Land Management Bureau to undertake the cadastral survey.

Landowners must be protected against defective land titles. The integrity of the Torrens Title System, as foundation of ownership to real property, must be enhanced, so that in the end, the faith and reliance of the people in the integrity of the land title will be restored.

The passage of this bill is therefore earnestly requested.


JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA
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AN ACT
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines
in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. Title. – This Act shall be known as the "**Cadastral Survey Act of 2013**".

SEC 2. Conduct of Survey. – Any provision of law or regulations to the contrary notwithstanding, the Land Management Bureau, is hereby authorized to conduct a survey of the entire country to identify bonafide landowners or claimants. The survey shall consist of the following activities:

1. Research and reconnaissance;
2. Project control recovery and densification;
3. Computation of lot data;
4. Political boundary surveys;
5. Computation and cartographic works;
6. Setting of cadastral lots and boundary;
7. Plans finalization and submission.

SEC 3. Awarding of Contracts. – The Land Management Bureau may, subject to applicable bidding rules and regulations, award any survey contract under this Act to qualified geodetic engineers engaged in survey work with the most advantageous terms to the government.

SEC 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within three (3) months from the passage of this Act, the Land Management Bureau shall draw and adopt the required rules and regulations to govern the cadastral survey.

SEC 5. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the budget of the Land Management Bureau. Thereafter, such amounts shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC 6. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, executive issuances or letters of instructions, or any part thereof, inconsistent with or contrary to the provision of this Act, are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC 7. Separability Clause. – If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts thereof not affected thereby shall remain valid.

SEC 8. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,