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# COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 25

Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_DEC 1 4 2016

Re: Joint Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_5

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 63, 91, 145, 150, 181, 400, 1068, 1129, 1198 and 1236.

Sponsor: Senator Gordon

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development, to which were referred Senate Bill No. 63, introduced by Senators Recto and Villanueva, entitled:

## "AN ACT

INCREASING PENSIONS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM AND RATIONALIZING THE POWERS, DUTIES AND ACCOUNTABILITIES OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW" Senate Bill No. 91, introduced by Senator Trillanes IV, entitled:

## "AN ACT

MANDATING A TWO THOUSAND PESO (P2,000,00) ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY PENSION WITH CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT OF THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PENSION 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"

Senate Bill No. 145, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled:

### "AN ACT

MANDATING A TWO THOUSAND PESO ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY PENSION WITH CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT OF THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PENSION 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"

Senate Bill No. 150, introduced by Senator Ejercito, entitled:

# "AN ACT

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

Senate Bill No. 181, introduced by Senator Binay, entitled:

#### "AN ACT

INCREASING PENSIONS AND OTHER BENEFITS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW"

Senate Bill No. 400, introduced by Senator Legarda, entitled:

### "AN ACT

# INCREASING PENSIONS AND OTHER BENEFITS 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"

Senate Bill No. 1068, introduced by Senator Sotto III, entitled:

#### "AN ACT

# INCREASING THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PENSION 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"

Senate Bill No. 1129, introduced by Senator Zubiri, entitled:

### "AN ACT

MANDATING A TWO THOUSAND PESO (P2,000) ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY PENSION WITH CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT OF THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PENSION 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"

Senate Bill No. 1198, introduced by Senator Gordon, entitled:

## "AN ACT

AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8282 ENTITLED "AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM THEREBY AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

and Senate Bill No. 1236, introduced by Senator Gatchalian, entitled:

# "AN ACT

MANDATING A TWO THOUSAND PESO (P2,000) ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY PENSION WITH CORRESPONDING ADJUSTMENT OF THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PENSION 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"

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate

with the recommendation that the attached Joint Resolution No. 5

prepared by the Committees, entitled:

# **"JOINT RESOLUTION**

# INCREASING THE MONTHLY PENSION OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM PENSIONERS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997"

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 63, 91,145, 150, 181, 400, 1068, 1129, 1198 and 1236, with Senators Recto, Villanueva, Trillanes IV, Villar, Ejercito, Binay, Legarda, Sotto III, Zubiri, Gordon and Gatchalian, as authors thereof.

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# JOINT RESOLUTION INCREASING THE MONTHLY PENSION OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM PENSIONERS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1	WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8282 or the Social Security Act of 1997
2	recognizes the policy of the State "to establish, develop, promote and perfect a
3	sound viable tax-exempt social security system suitable to the needs of the
4	people throughout the Philippines which shall promote social justice and
5	provide meaningful protection to members and their families against the
6	hazards of disability, sickness, maternity, old age, death and other contingencies
7	resulting to loss of income or financial burden".
8	WHEREAS, as of January 2016, there are about thirty-three million

9 (33,000,000) members of the Social Security System (SSS) and two million one

10 hundred fifty thousand (2,150,000) retirees currently receiving pension pay;

WHEREAS, considering the escalating cost of living, the meager amount of 1 monthly pension that the SSS pensioners receive is no longer adequate to 2 support even their basic needs, and more importantly, their monthly food 3 sustenance and medical needs; 4

WHEREAS, without appropriate and immediate intervention, the SSS will 5 fail in its role to provide basic economic security for the people, curb poverty, 6 provide economic stability, redistribute income and preserve important social 7 and individual values. Now therefore, be it 8

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RESOLVED, by the Senate and the House of Representatives, To increase the monthly pension of the Social Security System pensioners in the amount of 10 Two thousand pesos (P2,000.00) under the Social Security Act of 1997, such 11 12 that, the minimum monthly pension shall henceforth be Three thousand two hundred pesos (P3,200.00) for members with at least ten (10) credited years of 13 service and Four thousand four hundred pesos (P4,400.00) for those with 14 twenty (20) credited years of service; 15

RESOLVED, further, That the Two thousand pesos (P2,000.00) shall be 16 given in two tranches: The first tranche amounting to One thousand pesos 17 (P1,000.00) shall be given starting January 2017; while the second tranche will 18 be granted to the pensioners on a later date to be determined by Congress on or 19 before June 30, 2018; 20

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- *RESOLVED, finally*, That the Social Security System (SSS) shall implement
  this Joint Resolution immediately;
- 3 Adopted,