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Introduced by Senator RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CURRENT STATE OF THE LOCAL FILM INDUSTRY WITH THE END VIEW OF CREATING A MORE VIABLE, SUSTAINABLE AND GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE FILM INDUSTRY THAT IS A VITAL PARTNER IN NATION-BUILDING

WHEREAS, it is the declared policy of the State to promote and support the development and growth of the local film industry as a medium for the upliftment of aesthetic, cultural and social values for the better understanding and application of the Filipino identity;

WHEREAS, pursuant to this State policy, the Film Development Council of the Philippines (FDCP) was created on June 7, 2004 to formulate and implement policies and programs to upgrade the art and craft of filmmaking and encourage the production of films for commercial purposes, intended for public entertainment;

WHEREAS, the output of the local movie industry has steadily declined from an average of one hundred thirty (130) full-length feature films – up to about seven (7) years ago – to eighty (80) last year and to no more than fifty (50) movies as of the end of November 2004, despite the existence of the FDCP;

WHEREAS, there is now a need to revisit and re-examine all laws, policies, rules and regulations that government and affect the movie industry and evaluate the effectiveness of the same so that new laws and policies may be crafted to support and fast-track the development of the entire local film industry as well as improve the regulatory environment where it operates in. *Now therefore,*

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to direct the Senate Committee on Public Information and Mass Media to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the current state of the local film industry with the end view of creating a more viable, sustainable and globally-competitive film industry that is a vital partner in nation-building.

Adopted,


RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.