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**SENATE**  
**P. S. Res No. 336**

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Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

**RESOLUTION**  
**URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO**  
**CONDUCT A FULL ASSESSMENT IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE**  
**CURRENT STATUS OF THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY IN THE COUNTRY**

WHEREAS, Republic Act 4086, An Act to promote the textile industry of the Philippines by exempting, under certain conditions, importation of needed raw materials, chemicals, dyestuffs and spare parts and the subsequent manufacture and sale of products derived therefrom, from duties and taxes, by creating special fund for vital research, and for other purposes ;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Textile Research Institute (PTRI) is the premiere textile research and development arm of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST);

WHEREAS, Under Executive Order No. 128 dated January 30, 1987, PTRI is bound to perform the following duties:

- a) Conduct applied research and development for the textile industry sector;
- b) Undertake the transfer of completed researches to end-users or via linkage units of other government agencies; and
- c) Undertake technical services and provide training programs;

WHEREAS, an article from CNN Philippines dated December 22, 2018 reported that the Philippines was considered a pioneer in the ASEAN region in terms of textile production;

WHEREAS, textile and garment manufacturing industry also highly contributed to Philippine exports for it was the second highest non-traditional export, with the first being semi-conductors during the 80s;

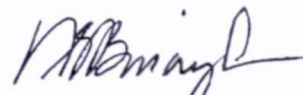
WHEREAS, In a report by UN Comtrade, the Philippines was 6<sup>th</sup> among the top exporters of apparels to the United States, however at the start of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, sales of the industry dwindled, leaving the country out of the primary apparel producers globally;

WHEREAS, The Philippine garments and textile have continuously declined between 2005 and 2011, our export performance dropped by 39% from USD 2,287 million in 2005 to USD 1,402 million in 2011. In 2016, the industry exported a total of \$1,226 million and imported \$1,479 million worth of garments;

WHEREAS, the assessment of the status of the textile industry in the Philippines is a vital component in order to provide measures that will protect the stability and to promote inclusive innovation in the industry;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to urge the Senate Committee on Science and Technology to conduct a full assessment in aid of legislation on the current status of the textile industry in the country.

Adopted,



**MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY**  
Senator