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**COMMITTEE REPORT No. 583**

Submitted by the Committee on Youth on JAN 31 2022.

Re: Senate Bill No. 2503 Prepared by the Committee

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. **1587 and 2012**, taking into consideration HB No. **6456**.

Sponsor: Senator Sonny Angara

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committee on Youth to which were referred **Senate Bill No. 1587**, introduced by Senator Ramon "Bong" Revilla, Jr., *entitled*:

**"AN ACT**

**DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"**

and **SB No. 2012**, introduced by Senator Angara, *entitled*:

**"AN ACT  
DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"**

taking into consideration **HB No. 6456**, introduced by Reps. Elago *et al*, *entitled*:

**"AN ACT  
DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"**

have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached **Senate Bill No. 2503** prepared by the Committees, entitled:

**"AN ACT  
DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"**

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 1587 and 2012, taking into consideration HB No. 6456, with Senators Revilla and Angara, as authors thereof.

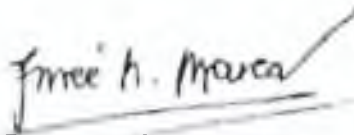
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*Chairperson:*



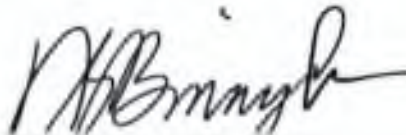
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(In substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 1587 and 2012 taking into consideration House Bill No. 6456)

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*Prepared and submitted by the Committee on Youth with Senators Revilla and Angara, as authors*

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**AN ACT**  
**DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL YOUTH DAY**

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

1       **SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the "National Youth Day  
2 Act."

3       **SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy.** – The State recognizes the vital role of the youth  
4 in nation-building and which has led to measures such as Republic Act No. 8044 which  
5 created the National Youth Commission to be the leading government arm in  
6 harnessing the full potential of the youth as partners in nation building and Republic  
7 Act No. 10742 or the "Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of 2015" which provided a  
8 strong framework to encourage the youth not only to participate in governmental  
9 activities and public and civic affairs but to also develop a sense of leadership at  
10 patriotism.

11       **SEC. 3. National Youth Day.** – In observance of the International Youth Day,  
12 the twelfth (12th) day of August of every year is hereby declared as National Youth  
13 Day.

14       **SEC. 4. Program of Activities.** – To ensure the meaningful observance of  
15 National Youth Day, the National Youth Commission (NYC), in coordination with the  
16 Department of Education (DepEd), Commission on Higher Education (CHED), and

1 Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), Sangguniang  
2 Kabataan (SK) National Union of Students of the Philippines (NUSP), and other youth  
3 and youth-serving organizations shall prepare and implement an annual program of  
4 activities including, but not limited to, discussions and/or forums on career paths,  
5 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), environment preservation, gender equality,  
6 and mental health. For this purpose, the NYC may engage in partnerships with local  
7 and international youth organizations suitable to providing these discussions. The  
8 youth organizations and youth-serving organizations shall likewise support the NYC in  
9 its effort to promote and facilitate related activities in all public and private schools.

10 All schools, colleges, and universities are hereby enjoined to launch activities  
11 such as leadership training, youth empowerment, workshops, basic mass integration,  
12 and community immersion activities in celebration of National Youth Day: *Provided*,  
13 That the specific activities to be undertaken shall be at the discretion of the school  
14 administration: *Provided*, further, That, the respective administration of schools,  
15 colleges, and universities shall extend their full support to all activities to be conducted  
16 by their students.

17 All provincial and local youth development offices are likewise enjoined to  
18 prepare an annual program and conduct activities that shall provide holistic  
19 development and enrichment of the youth in their respective communities.

20 **SEC. 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – The NYC, in coordination with  
21 DepEd, CHED, and TESDA, SK, NUSP and other youth and youth-serving organizations  
22 shall promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Act within sixty (60) days  
23 after its effectivity.

24 **SEC. 6. *Appropriations.*** – The amounts necessary for the implementation of  
25 this act shall be charged against the respective current year available appropriation of  
26 the NYC, DepEd, CHED and SK. Thereafter, the amounts necessary shall be included  
27 in the annual General Appropriations Act.

28 **SEC. 7. *Separability Clause.*** - If, for any reason or reasons, any part or parts  
29 of this act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by any competent court, other  
30 sections or provisions hereof not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and  
31 effect.

1           **SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.*** – all laws, decrees, executive orders or rules and  
2 regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby  
3 repealed or modified accordingly.

4           **SEC. 9. *Effectivity Clause.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
5 publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*

FOR THE COMMITTEE REPORT ON AN ACT ENTITLED "AN ACT  
DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"

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LEILA M. DE LIMA