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## S E N A T E P.S. Res No. 730

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE "BONG" T. GO

## RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11861 OR THE EXPANDED SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ACT WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THAT THE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE MANDATED BY THE LAW ARE BEING PROVIDED

1 WHEREAS, on June 4, 2022, Republic Act (RA) No. 11861 or the 2 Expanded Solo Parents Welfare Act was enacted to support the rights and 3 duty of solo parents in rearing their children by providing for their basic needs, 4 and extending them assistance in social services and welfare benefits;

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6 WHEREAS, Section 15 (a) of RA 11861 provides that a monthly cash 7 subsidy of P1,000 shall be provided by the local government to a solo parent 8 who is earning a minimum wage or below;

9 WHEREAS, Section 15 (b) of the law also provides a 10% discount and 10 exemption from the value added tax to solo parents earning less than 11 P250,000 for purchases of milk, food, micronutrient supplements, diapers, 12 medicines and other medical supplements;

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WHEREAS, more than a year since the enactment of the law, there are
reports that several solo parents, who should be recipients of the provisions
under the law, are not receiving the expected benefits;

WHEREAS, the law created a Joint Congressional Oversight Committee
on Solo Parents to monitor the implementation of the Act and determine
vulnerabilities in the law;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of Congress to review the implementation of the law and examine the gaps in the provision of benefits mandated under RA 11861: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, as it hereby resolved, To direct the appropriate Senate committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the status of the implementation of Republic Act No. 11861 or the Expanded Solo Parents Welfare Act with the end in view of ensuring that the support and assistance mandated by the law are being provided.

Adopted,

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