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Introduced by **Senator Rodolfo G. Biazon**

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SOUTHRAIL PROJECT.

Whereas, In the Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP), one of the projects being espoused by the present administration to decongest Metro Manila and at the same time spur economic development in the outlying areas is the development/rehabilitation of the railway system;

Whereas, In terms of the rehabilitation/development of the railway in the south, a Loan Agreement between the Philippine National Railways and the Export-Import Bank of Korea was signed on 07 May 2004 to finance said project;

Whereas, There is a need to determine the scope of work and schedule of implementation of the rehabilitation/development of the railway in the south or the Southrail Project as it will involve the relocation and resettlement of around 48,000 families from Caloocan up to Calamba, Laguna;

Whereas, While the development of the railway as one of the solutions of decongesting Metro Manila and at the same time spurring economic development in the outlying areas is recognized, there is also an equal need to recognize and ensure that such a development project respect the rights of the affected families as enshrined under Republic Act No. 7279 or the Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992;

Whereas, There is a need to clarify the components of the government's relocation and resettlement program for the affected families vis-à-vis its compliance with Section 28 of the UDHA and its fund sources; *Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, As It Is Hereby Resolved,*

By The Senate, To Direct The Senate Committee On Urban Planning, Housing And Resettlement To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation, On The Southrail Project.

Adopted,


RODOLFO G. BIAZON
Senator