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RESOLUTION

URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY AND TRADE AND COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE EFFECTS OF MELAMINE ON THE HEALTH OF HUMAN BEINGS AND THE EXTENT OF ITS UTILIZATION IN AVAILABLE COMMERCIAL GOODS IN THE PHILIPPINES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF FORMULATING HEALTHIER SHORT- AND LONG-TERM POLICIES AND MEASURES FOR THE CITIZENS

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Melamine has been found to be contained in milk or milk-based products that come from China;

WHEREAS, Melamine is a chemical organic compound used in a number of commercial and industrial applications, is unsafe for human consumption. It is also used in the manufacture of kitchenware and floor tiles and among others.

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Food and Drugs (BFAD) has banned liquid and powdered milk, candy, biscuits, chocolate bars and drinks, and yogurt with airy components from China;

WHEREAS, The Department of Health together with the Bureau of Food and Drugs have ordered the testing of milk and milk products coming from China;

WHEREAS, Melamine has been found to cause urinary bladder stones, and even kidney stones and even lead to death;

WHEREAS, there has been a lack of studies in the Philippines on the effects of Melamine on the health of individuals; NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Philippines to urge the Senate Committees on Health and Demography and Trade and Commerce to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the effects of Melamine on the health of human beings and the extent of its utilization in available commercial goods in the Philippines with the end in view of formulating healthier short- and long-term policies and measures for the citizens.

Adopted,


MANNY VILLAR