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**18<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS**  
**1<sup>ST</sup> REGULAR SESSION**

**SENATE BILLS**

**SBN 1382** "AN ACT PROVIDING THE NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE USE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTRIC CHARGING STATIONS"

- *Introduced By Senators Win Gatchalian, Ralph G. Recto, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan, Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao, Grace Poe and Aquilino "Koko" III Pimentel*
- *Referred to the Committees on Energy, Public Services, Trade, Commerce and Entrepreneurship; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 1383** "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF SINAIT DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN SINAIT ILOCOS SUR FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography and Finance*

**SBN 1384** "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE MANGATAREM DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MANGATAREM, PANGASINAN FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO FIFTY (50) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1385** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS SERVICE (IAS) OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8551, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE

**'PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM AND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998"**

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance*

**SBN 1386** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BANNA, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education; and Finance*

**SBN 1387** "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE SOUTHERN ISABELA MEDICAL CENTER IN SANTIAGO CITY, PROVINCE OF ISABELA, FROM THREE HUNDRED FIFTY (350) TO SEVEN HUNDRED (700) BEDS, AND INCREASING ITS MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1388** "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE CREATED UNDER EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 95 (S. 2019), RENAMING IT TO NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY COUNCIL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Science and Technology; Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance*

**SBN 1389** "AN ACT UPGRADING THE CARAGA REGIONAL HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY WASHINGTON, SURIGAO CITY, SURIGAO DEL NORTE INTO A TERTIARY LEVEL HOSPITAL, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUND THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1390** "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO ROBERT WALY LOPEZ MENDY"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1391** "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO BIENVENIDO MARAÑÓN MOREJÓN"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1392** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MARCOS, MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS SANTA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1393** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY DON JUSTO ABALOS, MUNICIPALITY OF UMINGAN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN TO BE KNOWN AS DON JUSTO ABALOS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUND THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1394** "AN ACT PROHIBITING COURTS FROM ISSUING RESTRAINING ORDERS OR PRELIMINARY INJUNCTIONS IN CERTAIN CASES INVOLVING EXTRAJUDICIAL AND JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE OF REAL ESTATE MORTGAGES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 1395** "AN ACT PROVIDING MONETARY COMPENSATION FOR THE LOSS OR DESTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL, CULTURAL, COMMERCIAL

STRUCTURES, AND OTHER PROPERTIES IN THE MAIN AFFECTED AREA (MAA) AND THE GREATER MARAWI AREA (GMA) DURING THE SIEGE OF 2017, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senators Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Ronald "Bato" Dela Rosa, Francis "Tol" N. Tolentino, Christopher Lawrence T. Go and Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1396** “AN ACT CREATING THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION, RECONSTITUTING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senators Imee R. Marcos, Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan, Ralph G. Recto and Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; and Finance*

**SBN 1397** “AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF MAGSINGAL DISTRICT HOSPITAL, ILOCOS SUR FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1398** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SAN VICENTE, MUNICIPALITY OF UMINGAN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN TO BE KNOWN AS SAN VICENTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1399** “AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE EASTERN PANGASINAN DISTRICT HOSPITAL FROM ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) BEDS TO TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (250) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1400** "AN ACT URGING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND EXPORT PROMOTION OF THE MORINGA (MORINGA OLEIFERA), LOCALLY KNOWN AS MALUNGGAY, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; and Finance*

**SBN 1401** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL GOVERNANCE, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 10742 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN REFORM ACT OF 2015", AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Youth; Local Government; and Finance*

**SBN 1402** "AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Win Gatchalian and Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Economic Affairs, Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance*

**SBN 1403** "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ABS-CBN BROADCASTING CORPORATION, PRESENTLY KNOWN AS ABS-CBN CORPORATION, UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7966, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE ABS-CBN BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELEVISION AND RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr.*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**SBN 1404** "AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8759, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICE ACT OF 1999, AS AMENDED, TO INCLUDE ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN THE SCOPE OF THE LAW, TO RENAME THE PRESENT PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICE (PESO) INTO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP OFFICE (PEESO), AND TO ESTABLISH THE BARANGAY EMPLOYMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP OFFICES (BEESO) NATIONWIDE, DEFINING ITS ROLE WITHIN THE EXISTING NETWORK, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; Local Government; and Finance*

**SBN 1405** "AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE BIDDING STRUCTURE AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION LIABILITY PROVISIONS IN THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT, AMENDING FOR THAT PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao*
- *Referred to the Committee on Finance*

**SBN 1406** "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ACT OF INDISCRIMINATE SPITTING AND EXPELLING NASAL MUCOUS IN PUBLIC PLACES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; Local Government; and Finance*

**SBN 1407** "AN ACT EXPANDING THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE FOR TROPICAL MEDICINE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1408** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE DETECTION AND CONTAINMENT OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES, INCLUDING THE QUARANTINE OF INFECTED PERSONS AND LOCKDOWN OF INFECTED AREAS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9271, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"



- *Introduced by Senator Francis "Tol" N. Tolentino*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Local Government*

**SBN 1409** "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE SPECIAL MECHANISMS FOR ACTIVE VOLCANO AREAS AND MANDATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO DESIGNATE VOLCANIC DISASTER EMERGENCY AREAS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Francis "Tol" N. Tolentino*
- *Referred to the Committees on National Defense and Security, Peace, Unification and Reconciliation; Local Government; and Finance*

**SBN 1410** "AN ACT REPEALING ARTICLE 247 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE"

- *Introduced by Senator Grace Poe*
- *Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 1411** "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PROVIDING FOR BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO SOLO PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Richard J. Gordon, Risa Hontiveros, Christopher Lawrence T. Go, Vicente C. Sotto III, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Ramon Bong Revilla Jr. and Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality; Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1412** "AN ACT TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING LAW, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 2, 3, 7, 10, 12 AND 20 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT OF 2001, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Grace Poe*
- *Referred to the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 1413** "AN ACT TO DECLARE THE EXISTENCE OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY ARISING FROM THE CORONAVIRUS 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION AND A NATIONAL POLICY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR A LIMITED PERIOD AND SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, TO EXERCISE POWERS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO CARRY OUT THE DECLARED NATIONAL POLICY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Vicente C. Sotto III, Pia S. Cayetano and Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Consolidated/Substituted under Committee report No. 70*

## PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

**PSRN 333** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE RELEASE, IMPLEMENTATION, AND THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF PROJECTS FUNDED UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FUND IN THE FORM OF THE CONDITIONAL MATCHING GRANT TO PROVINCES, THE ASSISTANCE TO CITIES, THE ASSISTANCE TO MUNICIPALITIES, AND THE SAGANA AT LIGTAS NA TUBIG PARA SA LAHAT PROGRAM"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Finance; and Local Government*

**PSRN 334** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE Implementation OF THE LAWS RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MULTI-SPECIES MARINE AND/OR FRESHWATER HATCHERIES, NURSERIES, FISH BREEDING, AND ESTABLISHMENT OF PROVINCIAL FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES TRAINING, DEVELOPMENT, AND PRODUCT CENTERS IN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS"

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Local Government; and Finance*

**PSRN 335** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE NEED TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY FINANCIAL STIMULUS PACKAGES TO ASSIST THE DOMESTIC TOURISM INDUSTRY, IN RESPONSE TO THE NEGATIVE EFFECTS OF THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) IN THE PHILIPPINES"

- *Introduced by Senator Francis "Tol" N. Tolentino*
- *Referred to the Committee on Tourism*

**PSRN 336** "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"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology*

**PSRN 337** "RESOLUTION ASKING THE HONORABLE SUPREME COURT OF THE PHILIPPINES TO RULE ON WHETHER OR NOT THE CONCURRENCE OF THE SENATE IS NECESSARY IN THE ABROGATION OF A TREATY PREVIOUSLY CONCURRED IN BY THE SENATE"

- *Introduced by Senators Vicente C. Sotto III, Panfilo "Ping" M. Lacson, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Franklin M. Drilon and Richard J. Gordon*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 338** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SERIES OF BUSINESS SHUTDOWNS THAT ARE HAPPENING IN THE COUNTRY, INCLUDING THE IMPACT OF THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) ON EMPLOYMENT, AND THE ECONOMY AS A WHOLE, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ASSESSING THE MEASURES BEING UNDERTAKEN BY VARIOUS NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES"

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Developments; and Economic Affairs*

**PSRN 339** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO

THE EFFECTIVITY OF THE INVESTMENT PROMOTIONS AGENCIES AND ITS CORRESPONDING INCENTIVE REGIMES IN GENERATING REVENUES, CREATING JOBS, AND PROVIDING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PEOPLE”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committees on Economic Affairs; and Ways and Means*

**PSRN 340** “RESOLUTION URGING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE STATUS OF THE GOVERNMENT INITIATIVES AND PROGRAMS TO CONTAIN AND ERADICATE THE CECID FLY INFESTATION OF THE MANGO INDUSTRY”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform*

**PSRN 341** “RESOLUTION URGING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT A FULL ASSESSMENT, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATURAL FIBER INDUSTRY AND THE ROLE WHICH THE PHILIPPINE FIBER INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PHILFIDA) PLAYS IN PROMOTING THE NATURAL FIBER INDUSTRY”

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; and Finance*

**PSRN 342** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED URGENT CALL FOR GOVERNMENT ACTION OF THE MASUNGI GEORESERVED FOUNDATION, AFTER A SECTION OF THE REFORESTATION SITE HAD BEEN BLOCKED BY A QUARRY COMPANY”

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change*

**PSRN 343** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF LIQUIDATION AND WINDING DOWN OF THE OPERATIONS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES - RETIREMENT AND SEPARATION BENEFIT SYSTEM (AFP-RSBS), WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THAT ADEQUATE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE TO REFUND ITS MEMBERS' CONTRIBUTIONS"

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on National Defense and Security, Peace, Unification and Reconciliation*

**PSRN 344** "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE AUTHORIZING THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (NTC) TO ISSUE A PROVISIONAL AUTHORITY TO ABS-CBN CORPORATION, ITS SUBSIDIARIES AND/OR AFFILIATES ABS-CBN CONVERGENCE, INC., SKY CABLE CORPORATION, AND AMCARA BROADCASTING NETWORK, INC., UNDER SUCH TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS THE NTC MAY DEEM NECESSARY, UNTIL CONGRESS' FINAL DISPOSITION OF THE FRANCHISE RENEWAL BILLS"

- *Introduced by Senators Pia S. Cayetano, Ronald "Bato" Dela Rosa, Christopher Lawrence T. Go, Imee R. Marcos, Ramon Bong Revilla Jr., Francis "Tol" N. Tolentino, Cynthia A. Villar, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao, Sonny Angara, Joel Villanueva, Win Gatchalian and Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Adopted*

**PSRN 345** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE NOVEL CORONA VIRUS OUTBREAK WITH THE END VIEW OF STRENGTHENING MACROECONOMIC FUNDAMENTALS AND PROPOSING ECONOMIC STIMULUS PACKAGES SUPPORTED BY APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION"

- *Introduced by Senator Win Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committee on Economic Affairs*

**PSRN 346** "A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON INITIATIVES OF ENERGY AGENCIES AND STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE THE QUALITY, RELIABILITY, SECURITY, AND AFFORDABILITY OF

ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY DURING THE SUMMER SEASON IN ORDER TO AVOID YELLOW AND RED ALERTS LEADING TO POWER OUTAGES”

- *Introduced by Senator Win Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committee on Energy*

**PSRN 347** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGRICULTURAL COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND-SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM CREATED THROUGH REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8178, AND FURTHER EXTENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10848 OR THE AGRICULTURAL TARIFFICATION ACT WITH THE END VIEW OF DETERMINING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE LEAD IMPLEMENTING AGENCY AS WELL AS IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE FUND IS UTILIZED FOR THE INTENDED PURPOSES SET BY THE LAW”

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform*

**PSRN 348** “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT PHILIPPINE OFFSHORE GAMING OPERATIONS SHOULD BE SUSPENDED UNTIL ITS FINANCIAL AND SOCIAL COSTS ARE ADEQUATELY MEASURED”

- *Introduced by Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 349** “RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN COORDINATION WITH THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCIL AND MOBILE PHONE SERVICE PROVIDERS TO SEND FREE MOBILE ALERTS ON THE 2019 NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)”

- *Introduced by Senator Grace Poe*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Public Services*

**PSRN 350** “RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT IN THE SENATE AND THAT THIS BODY HAS ENTERED UPON THE EXERCISE OF ITS FUNCTIONS TO ACT ON URGENT LEGISLATIVE MEASURES IN A SPECIAL

SESSION CALLED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES PURSUANT TO PROCLAMATION NO. 933 DATED 21 MARCH 2020"

- *Introduced by Senator Win Gatchalian*
- *Adopted*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**CRN 54** Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance, on HBN 1477, with Representatives Robert Ace S. Barbers, Angelina "Helen" D. Tan, Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo, Diego "Nonoy" C. Ty et al., as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT UPGRADING THE CARAGA REGIONAL HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY WASHINGTON, SURIGAO CITY, SURIGAO DEL NORTE INTO A TERTIARY LEVEL HOSPITAL, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsor: Senator Christopher Lawrence T. Go*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 55** Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance, on HBN 5871, with Representative Angelina "Helen" D. Tan as author thereof, entitled "AN ACT UPGRADING THE MARIA L. ELEAZAR DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAGKAWAYAN, PROVINCE OF QUEZON INTO A LEVEL III GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE MARIA L. ELEAZAR GENERAL HOSPITAL, UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsor: Senator Christopher Lawrence T. Go*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 56** Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance, on HBN 1799, with Representatives Eduardo "Eddie" R. Gullas, Angelina "Helen" D. Tan, Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo, Diego "Nonoy" C. Ty et al., as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENAMING THE TALISAY

DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN TALISAY CITY, PROVINCE OF CEBU, INTO CEBU SOUTH MEDICAL CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7799, ENTITLED 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALISAY, PROVINCE OF CEBU, TO BE KNOWN AS THE TALISAY DISTRICT HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsor: Senator Christopher Lawrence T. Go*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 57** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance, on SBN 640, with Senator Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan, as author thereof, entitled "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE BICOL MEDICAL CENTER FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS TO ONE THOUSAND (1,000) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS SERVICE FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL WORKFORCE COMPLEMENT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8053, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," recommending its approval with amendments, taking into consideration House Bill No. 831.

- *Sponsor: Senator Christopher Lawrence T. Go*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 58** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Energy, Public Services, Trade, Commerce and Entrepreneurship; and Ways and Means, on SBN 1382, with Senators Win Gatchalian, Ralph G. Recto, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan, Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao, Grace Poe and Aquilino "Koko" III Pimentel as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT PROVIDING THE NATIONAL ENERGY POLICY AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR THE USE OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ELECTRIC CHARGING STATIONS," recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 174, 472, 479, 538, 638 and 1223.

- *Sponsor: Senator Win Gatchalian*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 59** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 4583, with Representatives Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo and Franz Alvarez, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR



ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BROADCAST ENTERPRISES AND AFFILIATED MEDIA, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8098 TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 60** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 4584, with Representatives Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo and Franz Alvarez, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO CRUSADERS BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC., UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8091, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE CRUSADERS BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 61** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 5490, with Representatives Jocelyn F. Fortuno, Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza, Faustino V "Inno" A. Dy, Rolando M. Valeriano et. al., as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BICOL BROADCASTING SYSTEMS, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8092. ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE BICOL BROADCASTING SYSTEMS. INC. (BBSI), A FRANCHISE TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN REGION V," recommending its approval without amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 62** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 4581, with Representatives Cesar Jr. "Jawo" L. Jimenez, Franz Alvarez, Joey Sarte Salceda and Carlito S. S. Marquez, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25)

YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO GOLDEN BROADCAST PROFESSIONAL, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8025, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING THE GOLDEN BROADCAST PROFESSIONAL, INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE A STATION FOR FM RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING IN THE ISLAND OF MINDANAO, AND EXPANDING ITS COVERAGE TO THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 63** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 4582, with Representatives Manuel T. Sagarbarria and Franz Alvarez, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO GOLD ISABEL BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8087, ENTITLED AN ACT GRANTING TO THE GOLD LABEL BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC., A FRANCHISE TO ESTABLISH, MAINTAIN, AND OPERATE RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN DUMAGUETE CITY AND OTHER AREAS IN THE VISAYAS AND MINDANAO WHERE FREQUENCIES AND/OR CHANNELS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 64** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Public Services, on HBN 4463, with Representatives AURELIO JR. "DONG" D. GONZALES and FRANZ ALVAREZ, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO FIRST UNITED BROADCASTING CORPORATION, PRESENTLY KNOWN AS GLOBAL SATELLITE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES INC., AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8079, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE FIRST UNITED BROADCASTING CORPORATION (FUBC) A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS ANYWHERE IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 65** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; and Finance, on SBN 1396, with Senators Francis "Kiko" N. Pangilinan, Ralph G. Recto, Cynthia A. Villar and Imee R. Marcos as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT CREATING THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION, RECONSTITUTING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of SBNos. 31, 266, 1052 and 1127.

- *Sponsor: Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 66** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Economic Affairs; Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance with Senators Win Gatchalian and Imee R. Marcos as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AS THE INDEPENDENT ECONOMIC AND PLANNING AGENCY OF THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS AND AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 230 SERIES OF 1987, AS AMENDED, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of SBNos. 169 and 1256.

- *Sponsor: Senator Imee R. Marcos*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 67** Submitted by the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media, on SBN 448, with Senator Ramon "Bong" Revilla Jr., as author thereof, entitled "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF WORDS THAT WOULD DENOTE RELIGIOUS, REGIONAL OR ETHNIC AFFILIATION IN PRINT, RADIO, TELEVISION INCLUDING CABLE TELEVISION AND OTHER FORMS OF BROADCAST MEDIA TO REFER TO OR DESCRIBE ANY PERSON SUSPECTED OR CONVICTED OF A CRIME OR UNLAWFUL ACT AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR," recommending its approval without amendment.

- *Sponsor: Senator Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 68** Submitted by the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance, on HBN 2444, with Representatives Luis Raymund Jr. F. Villafuerte, Alyssa Sheena P. Tan, Ma. Lourdes T. Arroyo, Diego "Nonoy" C. Ty, et. al., as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAMPLONA IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS THE BICOL WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF," recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsor: Senator Christopher Lawrence T. Go*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 69** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality, Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development, Ways and Means; and Finance, on SBN 1411, with Senators Richard J. Gordon, Risa Hontiveros, Christopher Lawrence T. Go, Vicente C. Sotto III, Juan Miguel "Migz" F. Zubiri, Ramon Bong Revilla Jr. and Imee R. Marcos as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PROVIDING FOR BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO SOLO PARENTS AND THEIR CHILDREN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 86, 164, 206, 238, 307, 951 and 1014.

- *Sponsor: Senator Risa Hontiveros*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

**CRN 70** Prepared and submitted jointly by the Committee on Finance, on SBN 1418, on with Senators Vicente C. Sotto III, Pia S. Cayetano, Win Gatchalian, Christopher Lawrence T. Go, Richard J. Gordon, Panfilo "Ping" M. Lacson, Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid, Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao, Grace Poe, Ralph G. Recto, Ramon Bong Revilla Jr., Francis "Toi" N. Tolentino and Cynthia A. Villar as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A NATIONAL EMERGENCY ARISING FROM THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) SITUATION AND A NATIONAL POLICY IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR A LIMITED PERIOD AND SUBJECT TO RESTRICTIONS, TO EXERCISE POWERS NECESSARY AND PROPER TO CARRY OUT THE DECLARED NATIONAL POLICY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," recommending its approval in substitution of SBNo. 1413.

- *Sponsor: Senators Vicente C. Sotto III and Pia S. Cayetano*
- *Calendared for Ordinary Business*

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