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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Resolution No. 1030



Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE JOY MYRA S. TAMBUNTING**

**A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN
INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE GRAVE ABUSE IN SUB-
METERING OF UTILITIES TO TENANTS**

WHEREAS, tenants under sub-meters have been complaining over the extremely high costs of their utilities due to overcharging of their building owners;

WHEREAS, Meralco and Maynilad direct meter owners pay around 11 Pesos per kilowatt and 33 Pesos per cubic meter of water;

WHEREAS, tenants report that in the developing communities in the 2nd District of Parañaque City, particularly the areas of Target, Pechayan and Lagoon, building owners are overcharging their tenants;

WHEREAS, in abovementioned areas, direct meter owners charge sub-meter owners around 21 Pesos to 33 Pesos per kilowatt on electricity and around 60 Pesos to 100 Pesos per cubic meter on water;

WHEREAS, these charges are more than double the regular costs charged by Meralco and Maynilad to direct meter owners;

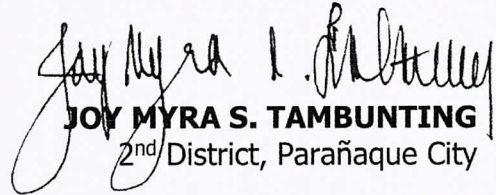
WHEREAS, such overcharging is unacceptable, especially in these times wherein people are struggling due to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the people's livelihood and the increase in the costs of other goods and services;

WHEREAS, this overcharging of building owners, coupled with the reported spike in electricity rates, is extremely burdensome especially to poor tenants;

WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of Congress to look into legislation regarding sub-metering of utilities to tenants, ensure that tenants are protected from abuse by building owners;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DIRECT THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE INVESTIGATION ON THE GRAVE ABUSE OF SUB-METERING OF UTILITIES TO TENANTS.

Adopted,



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