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COMMITTEE MEETING		
COMMITTEE	SUBJECT MATTER	DISCUSSIONS
Metro Manila Development	Discussion on some of the issues and concerns of tricycle operators in Metro Manila	<p>The Committee, chaired by Rep. Winston "Winnie" Castelo (2<sup>nd</sup> District, Quezon City), discussed with concerned government agencies some of the issues and concerns of tricycle operators in Metro Manila.</p> <p>At the outset, Rep. Castelo said that the Committee, in the exercise of its oversight function, decided to conduct a meeting to take up the numerous complaints from Tricycle Operators and Drivers Associations (TODAs) received by his office against the regulation prohibiting tricycles to ply along national roads in the metropolis.</p> <p>Barangay Kagawad Charlie Mangune of Barangay Batasan Hills, Quezon City lamented that while motorcycles and bicycles are allowed to pass through major thoroughfares, tricycles, which are the most common local public transport, are prohibited from doing so.</p> <p>Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) spokesperson Aileen Lourdes Lizada explained that tricycles were intended to take people to and from areas not served by regular public utility vehicles such as jeepneys, hence should not be compared to bicycles and motorcycles. Nevertheless, she clarified that tricycles are allowed to traverse national roads in areas where no alternative routes are available.</p> <p>Underscoring the need to protect the riding public, Rep. Castelo asked tricycle operators to obtain a Personal Passenger Insurance Policy for their fleet, similar to the insurance coverage that the LTFRB requires from operators of public utility vehicles. He then brought up the possibility of having the Quezon City government subsidize the expenses that will be incurred for the procurement of passenger insurance policies by tricycle operators in Quezon City.</p> <p>Likewise, Senior Citizen Party-List Rep. Francisco Datol Jr. said that his party could provide medical assistance to tricycle drivers aged 60 and above, especially those suffering from heart, lung and kidney problems.</p> <p>The Committee Chair himself, as well as representatives from the Metro Manila Development Authority (MMDA), Inter-Agency Council on Traffic (i-ACT), and various TODA Federations in Metro Manila forged an undertaking to resolve the issues raised.</p>