COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 375

Submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Higher and Technical Education on JUN 10 2020
Re House Resolution No. 969
Recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 780
Sponsors: Reps. Romulo and Go (M)

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Higher and Technical Education to which was referred House Resolution No. 780 introduced by Rep. Shirllyn Bañas-Nogales, entitled:

A RESOLUTION
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE MAJOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES TO COME UP WITH A TASK FORCE WHICH WILL RECOMMEND A MECHANISM FOR A HOME BASED/VIRTUAL EDUCATION SYSTEM FOR K-12 STUDENTS DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Resolution No. 969 entitled.

RESOLUTION
URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES, TO CREATE A TASK FORCE THAT SHALL FORMULATE A HOME-BASED VIRTUAL EDUCATION SYSTEM FOR K TO 12 TEACHERS AND STUDENTS TO BE IMPLEMENTED DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

be adopted in substitution of House Resolution No. 780, with Reps. Bañas-Nogales, Romulo and Go (M) as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 969
(In substitution of House Resolution No. 780)

Introduced by Representatives Bañas-Nograles, Romulo and Go (M.)

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INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, AND
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE MAJOR
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THAT SHALL FORMULATE A HOME-BASED VIRTUAL EDUCATION
SYSTEM FOR K TO 12 TEACHERS AND STUDENTS TO BE IMPLEMENTED
DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on 9 March 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte has declared a
state of public health emergency throughout the country to protect the health and safety
of the Filipino people and contain the transmission of COVID-19 in the country;

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the
Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases, the President suspended classes at all
levels for the duration of the state of public health emergency;

WHEREAS, the school calendar for school year 2020-2021 has been disrupted
by the imposition of community quarantine measures;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the government to find ways and means
to resume the education of school learners without exposing teachers, school
administrators and staff, and students to the danger of contracting COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the government should endeavor to partner with major
telecommunications companies in the country for the provision of subsidized or free
internet bandwidth for the use of teachers and students as part of the companies’
corporate social responsibility;

WHEREAS, the major telecommunications companies also have the capability
to assist in designing an alternative, web-based learning system that is accessible from
home, including the appropriate computing platforms and applications: Now, therefore,
be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To urge the DepEd, DICT, and DOH, in consultation with the major telecommunications companies, to create a task force that shall formulate a home-based virtual education system for K to 12 teachers and students for implementation during the state of public health emergency.

Resolved, further, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished the DepEd, DICT and DOH.

Adopted,