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CALL TO ORDER

At 4:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Raneo “Ranie” E. Abu called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

Pursuant to Section 73, Rule XI of the amended Provisional Rules of the House, the Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter, observed a minute of silent prayer.

**DEFERMENT OF THE ROLL CALL
AND THE APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

On motion of Representative Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll and the approval of the Journal.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On further motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, including the Communications which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 2772, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONWIDE CONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER PROGRAM OUTLINING ITS POLICIES, FRAMEWORK, STRUCTURE, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Mercado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

House Bill No. 2773, entitled:

“AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE PEOPLE'S RESPONSIBLE RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL

POLICIES OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND HONESTY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 2774, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING COMPENSATION TO BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA, PUROK CHAIRMAN AND BARANGAY TANOD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991' AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gonzaga

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2775, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING AND EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE MONTHLY STIPEND OF INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZENS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010' ”

By Representative Gonzaga

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

House Bill No. 2776, entitled:

“AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSION TO CONDONE PENALTIES ON DELINQUENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TO DETERMINE THE MONTHLY SALARY CREDITS, THE SCHEDULE AND RATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS AND THE RATE OF PENALTY ON

DELINQUENT CONTRIBUTIONS AND UNPAID LOAN AMORTIZATIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 2777, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE A CIVIL ACTION FOR A MINOR INJURED BY EXPOSURE TO AN ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCT CONTAINING MATERIAL THAT IS HARMFUL TO MINORS”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 2778, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 2 AND 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9227, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION IN THE FORM OF SPECIAL ALLOWANCES FOR JUSTICES, JUDGES AND ALL OTHER POSITIONS IN THE JUDICIARY WITH THE EQUIVALENT RANK OF JUSTICES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS AND JUDGES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2779, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM THE JUNCTION OF THE ILIGAN – AURORA NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN BARANGAY SANTA CRUZ, KAPATAGAN, LANAO DEL NORTE TO ILIGAN – AURORA NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN POBLACION, AURORA, ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS THE ILIGAN - AURORA

NATIONAL HIGHWAY BY-PASS ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Dimaporo (A.) and Dimaporo (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 2780, entitled:

“AN ACT TO RE-INSTITUTIONALIZE THE MANDATORY MILITARY AND CIVIC RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) FOR STUDENTS IN ALL COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS”

By Representative Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 2781, entitled:

“AN ACT PUNISHING MILITARY COMMANDERS OR SUPERIORS FOR CRIMES OR OFFENSES COMMITTED BY THEIR SUBORDINATES UNDER THE PRINCIPLE OF COMMAND RESPONSIBILITY”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 2782, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF AIRLINE PASSENGERS, IMPOSING OBLIGATIONS ON AIR CARRIERS, AND PENALIZING ACTS IN VIOLATION THEREOF”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 2783, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO PROVIDE LIVELIHOOD ASSISTANCE TO QUALIFIED

BENEFICIARIES OF RELOCATION AND RESETTLEMENT PROJECTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7279, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ACT OF 1992' ”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 2784, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DISASTER AND EMERGENCY CENTER IN THE SECOND DISTRICT OF RIZAL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 2785, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING THE WAWA ROAD AT BARANGAY SAN RAFAEL, MUNICIPALITY OF RODRIGUEZ, PROVINCE OF RIZAL, AS GENERAL LICERIO I. GERONIMO HIGHWAY”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 2786, entitled:

“AN ACT SEEKING TO CONVERT AND DECLARE THE JALAJALA FRIENDSHIP HIGHWAY CONNECTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF JALAJALA, PROVINCE OF RIZAL WITH THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MABITAC AND SINILOAN, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD, AND TRANSFERRING THE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE THEREFOR TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 2787, entitled:

“AN ACT REPEALING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1845, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED, 'DECLARING THE AREA WITHIN A RADIUS OF THREE (3) KILOMETERS SURROUNDING THE SATELLITE EARTH STATION IN BARAS, RIZAL, A SECURITY ZONE”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 2788, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE SILANGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SILANGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN MATEO, PROVINCE OF RIZAL INTO A TRADE SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SILANGAN TRADE SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2789, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING PAMITINAN CAVE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF RODRIGUEZ, PROVINCE OF RIZAL AS A PROTECTED AREA UNDER THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (I.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 2790, entitled:

“AN ACT PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

House Bill No. 2791, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING R.A. 8239, ENTITLED
PHILIPPINE PASSPORT ACT OF 1996”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AF-
FAIRS

APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCA-
TION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2792, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING R.A. 4136, AS
AMENDED BY BATAS PAMBANSA BLG.
398, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAND
TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC
CODE”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTA-
TION

House Bill No. 2796, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL COM-
PENSATION TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL
TEACHERS AT THE END OF THE
SCHOOL YEAR”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2793, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING RESOURCE DE-
VELOPMENT AND CRISIS ASSISTANCE
CENTERS FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN
IN EVERY PROVINCE AND CITY OF THE
COUNTRY, AMENDING FOR THE PUR-
POSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8505, OTHER-
WISE KNOWN AS THE 'RAPE VICTIM
ASSISTANCE AND PROTECTION ACT
OF 1998' ”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND
GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 2797, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC AND PRI-
VATE SCHOOLS FROM DISALLOWING
STUDENTS WITH DELINQUENT TUI-
TION FEES TO TAKE THE MIDTERM OR
FINAL EXAMINATIONS AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Ferriol-Pascual

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCA-
TION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2798, entitled:

“AN ACT TO RAISE AWARENESS OF, AND
TO EDUCATE BREAST CANCER PA-
TIENTS ANTICIPATING SURGERY, ESPE-
CIALLY PATIENTS WHO ARE MEMBERS
OF ETHNIC MINORITY GROUPS, RE-
GARDING THE AVAILABILITY AND
COVERAGE OF BREAST RECONSTRUC-
TION, PROSTHESES, AND OTHER OP-
TIONS”

By Representative Aragonés

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 2794, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 5 OF EVERY
YEAR AS THE PANGASINAN DAY AND A
SPECIAL NON-WORKING PUBLIC HOL-
IDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF PAN-
GASINAN”

By Representatives Bataoil and Espino

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF
LAWS

House Bill No. 2799, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA
CARTA OF TRICYCLE DRIVERS AND
OPERATORS, INSTITUTIONALIZING

House Bill No. 2795, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING SCHOLARSHIP TO
ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND

MECHANISMS FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vergara

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 2800, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TRAINING CENTER IN QUEZON CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2801, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING AN INCREASE ON THE ALLOWANCE OF ALL BARANGAY LUPON, BSDO, AND BARANGAY STAFF WHO HAVE SERVED FOR ONE (1) TERM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2802, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE ALLOWANCES OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS, GRANTING HONORARIA AND OTHER BENEFITS TO BARANGAY TANODS AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2803, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM TERMINAL FEES ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHERS”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2804, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING EARTHQUAKE DRILLS IN ALL WORKPLACES AND SCHOOLS THEREBY MAKING THEM AN ANNUAL OBSERVATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 2805, entitled:

“AN ACT CRIMINALIZING RECKLESS DRIVING AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE COMMISSION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2806, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO INSTITUTIONALIZE REWARDS FOR WORK THROUGH 'PATHWAYS-TO-HOUSING SCHEMES' ENCOURAGING THEREBY THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO ADOPT THIS INITIATIVE INTO THEIR CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 2807, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THAT AT LEAST TEN PERCENT (10%) OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED LANDS TO BE SOLD, ALIENATED OR OTHERWISE ENCUMBERED FOR DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES, BE SEGREGATED FOR SOCIALIZED HOUSING PROJECTS”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 2808, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE SAFETY ADMINISTRATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

IN QUEZON CITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING AND COMPLETING THE DISPOSITION OF HOMELOTS, SOCIALIZED HOUSING UNITS AND DEVELOPMENT OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES THEREON IN FAVOR OF THE QUALIFIED BENEFICIARIES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 2809, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE RECORDING OF THE IDENTITY OF ALL BUYERS OF PREPAID SUBSCRIBER IDENTITY MODULE (SIM) CARDS FOR CELLULAR TELEPHONE UNITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2812, entitled:

“AN ACT REPEALING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3601, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 552, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1702 AND REPUBLIC ACT 8435 TO ABOLISH THE IRRIGATION SERVICE FEES IMPOSED BY THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION”

By Representative Yu

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2810, entitled:

“AN ACT INCLUDING ACTS COMMITTED ON ACCOUNT OF ROAD RAGE IN THE AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 14 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 2813, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL HEADS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ESTABLISH 'OFW FAMILY HELP DESKS' IN THEIR OFFICES”

By Representative Manalo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2811, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY TO UNDERTAKE THE ACQUISITION, RECONSTITUTION AND RECOVERY OF REAL PROPERTIES REFERRED TO UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9207 AT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CENTER (NGC) LAND AND HOUSING PROJECT SITES IN BARANGAY'S COMMONWEALTH, HOLY SPIRIT, BATASAN HILLS AND PAYATAS

House Bill No. 2814, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PROTECTION, BENEFITS AND SECURITY OF WHISTLEBLOWERS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2815, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS AND MEMBERS OF THE LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA, A LUMP SUM GRATUITY PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS AND OTHER NON-MONETARY BENEFITS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2816, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS TO PROMOTE AND PROTECT THE SOCIO-ECONOMIC, AND POLITICAL RIGHTS AND WELL-BEING OF COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS TOWARDS EFFICIENT HEALTH SERVICES DELIVERY, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7883, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS' BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES ACT OF 1995, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2817, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF A DRIVER'S LICENSE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 23 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE' ”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 2818, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING INTEGRATED URBAN AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT IN ALL METROPOLITAN AREAS NATIONWIDE TO ADDRESS FOOD SECURITY CONCERNS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 2819, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A VOLUNTARY STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM BY BANKS AND GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 2820, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING HEALTHCARE FACILITIES TO PROVIDE A PRICE LIST OF ITS HEALTHCARE SERVICES INCLUDING INCIDENTAL EXPENSES AND MEDICAL SUPPLIES THAT CAN BE CHARGED IN THE MEDICAL BILL”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 2821, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FRESH GRADUATES BY WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED IN CONNECTION WITH DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 2822, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL VISION SCREENING PROGRAM FOR ALL PUBLIC KINDERGARTEN PUPILS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2823, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SENIOR VISION SERVICES PROGRAM FOR SENIOR CITIZENS WITH FUNCTIONAL VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS”

By Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

House Bill No. 2824, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MANDATORY APPOINTMENT OF A COOPERATIVES OFFICER IN EVERY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 487, ARTICLE 17, TITLE V, BOOK 3 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991' ”

By Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2825, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 709 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1464, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 2826, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING PALLIATIVE AND HOSPICE CARE INTO THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM”

By Representatives Suansing (E.) and Suansing (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 2827, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE PHILIPPINE PASSPORT TO TEN (10) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8239”

By Representative Andaya

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 2828, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTILLING FISCAL DISCIPLINE IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR BY SPECIFYING PRINCIPLES OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND PROMOTING FULL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNMENT REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND BORROWING PROGRAMS”

By Representative Andaya

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2829, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING FALSE OR FRAUDULENT ADVERTISING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Billones

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 2830, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING SIXTEEN (16) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS IN THE WHOLE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, FOR THE PUR-

POSE OF AMENDING BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Abu

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2831, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOOD SUBSIDY EVERY QUARTER TO SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE FORM OF ONE (1) SACK OF RICE AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9994, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010' ”

By Representative Zubiri

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

House Bill No. 2832, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE POWER OF THE PRESIDENT TO DEFER, RESCIND, OR RESERVE EXPENDITURE OF APPROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZED BY CONGRESS”

By Representative Villarín

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2833, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE COCONUT FARMERS TRUST FUND AND PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION”

By Representative Villarín

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2834, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9851 'AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZ-

ING CRIMES AGAINST INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW, GENOCIDE AND OTHER CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY, ORGANIZING JURISDICTION, DESIGNATING SPECIAL COURTS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES' ”

By Representative Roque (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2835, entitled:

“AN ACT IN COMPLIANCE BY THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Roque (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2836, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FREE WI-FI INTERNET ACCESS IN PUBLIC BUILDINGS, TRANSPORT TERMINALS AND PARKS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES“

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2837, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROMOTE FARMER AND FISHERFOLK ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT TO BE KNOWN AS 'SAGIP SAKA ACT OF 2016' ”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2838, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE MATERNITY LEAVE PERIOD TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) DAYS OF FEMALE EMPLOYEES IN THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND

GRANTING AN OPTION TO FURTHER EXTEND SAID PERIOD FOR AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY (30) DAYS WITHOUT PAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 2839, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, WHOSE STATUS OF APPOINTMENT IS EITHER CASUAL OR CONTRACTUAL AND WHO HAVE RENDERED A TOTAL OF FIVE YEARS OF EFFICIENT SERVICE”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 2840, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE COCONUT LEVY ASSETS AS A TRUST FUND, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION, AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATIZATION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE TO DISPOSE THE COCONUT LEVY ASSETS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2841, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STRATEGIC FOOD SECURITY RICE RESERVE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 2842, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES, PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 2843, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE MINIMUM SALARY GRADE OF GOVERNMENT DOCTORS FROM SALARY GRADE 16 TO 24”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2844, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING GRASS-ROOTS PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING IN THE PLANNING AND IDENTIFICATION OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT”

By Representative Baguilat

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2845, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC COLLEGE TO BE KNOWN AS NORTHERN CEBU COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE TO BE LOCATED AT CURVA, MEDELLIN, CEBU PROVINCE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Salimbangon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 2846, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF AN ALTERNATE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TO

MACTAN CEBU INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MEDLLIN, CEBU PROVINCE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Salimbangon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 2847, entitled:

“AN ACT RECONSTITUTING THE PAMPANGA ENGINEERING DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA INTO FOUR (4) REGULAR DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gonzales (A.D.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 2848, entitled:

“AN ACT TOTALLY BANNING LOGGING OPERATIONS FOR THE NEXT TWENTY-FIVE YEARS”

By Representative Cuaresma

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 2849, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VETERANS REGIONAL HOSPITAL IN BAYOMBONG, NUEVA VIZCAYA FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500), UPGRADING ITS SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, CHANGING ITS NAME TO REGION II TRAUMA AND MEDICAL CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Cuaresma

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 2850, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND A UNIFORM STRATEGY

TO PROTECT WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENT CRIME”

By Representative Cuaresma

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 2851, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE JURISDICTION OF THE KATARUNGANG PAMBARANGAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representative Cuaresma

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2852, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF (NORTH) COTABATO A MINING FREE ZONE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF”

By Representative Tejada

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 2853, entitled:

“AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO INFORMATION”

By Representative Rocamora

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 2854, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LIFE CENTER THAT WILL SERVE AS A DISASTER AND EMERGENCY CENTER IN THE CITY OF ORMOC IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 2855, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING RESTAURANTS, HOTELS, INNS, CANTEENS, STEAKHOUSES, EATERIES AND THE LIKE TO PUT HALF RICE ON THEIR MENUS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Tan (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 2856, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE EXPANDED STUDENTS GRANTS-IN-AID PROGRAM FOR POVERTY ALLEVIATION (ESGP-PA) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Tan (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

House Bill No. 2857, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FREE IRRIGATION SERVICES TO FARMERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3601, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 552 AND PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1702”

By Representative Tan (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2858, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS IN THE QUALITY OF MOBILE PHONE SERVICES”

By Representative Sarmiento (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2859, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING OFFICE ERGONOMIC STANDARDS TO ADDRESS THE

HEALTH RISKS RELATED TO COMPUTER USE IN THE WORKPLACE”

By Representative Sarmiento (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 2860, entitled:

“AN ACT DESIGNATING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL PERFORMING ARTS COMPANIES, DEFINING THEIR ROLES AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Sarmiento (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2861, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE MANDATORY ESTABLISHMENT OF A POPULATION OFFICE IN ALL PROVINCES, CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 488 (A) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991', AS AMENDED”

By Representative Marquez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 2862, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING AGRI-TOURISM BY IDENTIFYING AREAS THAT ARE VIABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND STRENGTHENING THE INDUSTRY AS A WHOLE”

By Representatives Lee and Salon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2863, entitled:

“AN ACT TO CREATE AN AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP FUND”

By Representatives Lee and Salon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2864, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE, COORDINATE, AND INTENSIFY SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURE”

By Representatives Lee and Salon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2865, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN EDUCATION TRUST FUND FOR GRANTEEES OF GSIS AND SSS MEMBERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 2866, entitled:

“AN ACT CONSTITUTING A CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON DEBT MANAGEMENT TO LOOK INTO ALL FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC BORROWINGS NEGOTIATED, CONTRACTED OR GUARANTEED BY THE PRESIDENT ON BEHALF OF THE PHILIPPINES AS WELL AS THOSE BY THE GOVERNMENT OR GOVERNMENT OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 2867, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE NATIONAL CAREER ASSESSMENT EXAMINATION TO PROVIDE A CAREER DIRECTION PROGRAM FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Escudero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 2868, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING THE CONCEPT OF SAVINGS AND REGULATING THE PROCESS OF AUGMENTATION BY THE PRESIDENT IN IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI, SECTION 25 (5) OF THE PHILIPPINE CONSTITUTION”

By Representative Villarín

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 2869, entitled:

“AN ACT PROTECTING CONSUMERS OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICES”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2870, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY TO GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS, WHOSE STATUS OF APPOINTMENT IS EITHER CASUAL OR CONTRACTUAL AND WHO HAVE RENDERED A TOTAL OF FIVE (5) YEARS OF EFFICIENT SERVICE”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 2871, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING OPEN ACCESS IN DATA TRANSMISSION, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL POWERS TO THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2872, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING TELECOMMUNICATION COMPANIES FROM IMPOSING AN EXPIRATION PERIOD ON THE VALIDITY OF PREPAID CALL AND TEXT CARDS AND THE FORFEITURE OF LOAD CREDITS THEREOF”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2873, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING NUMBER PORTABILITY FOR MOBILE TELEPHONE SERVICE”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2874, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING MALICIOUS USE OF A TELECOMMUNICATION DEVICE”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2875, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE STANDARDS”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2876, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROMOTE AND GOVERN THE DEVELOPMENT, REGULATION AND PROMOTION OF ACCESS TO CONVERGE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGIES AND SERVICES IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 2877, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9237 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'MOUNT APO PROTECTED AREA ACT OF 2003', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Catamco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 2878, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLANUEVA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (K), OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 2879, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE ROAD STRETCHING FROM BARANGAY BALIWAGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF BALINGASAG TO BARANGAY APOSKAHOY, MUNICIPALITY OF CLAVERIA, ALL OF THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 2880, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FREE IRRIGATION SERVICES TO FARMERS BENEFICIARIES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Oaminal

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 2881, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES TO JUNIOR CITIZENS”

By Representative Barbers

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 201, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MS. HIDILYN DIAZ FOR WINNING A SILVER MEDAL IN WEIGHTLIFTING IN THE 2016 RIO OLYMPICS”

By Representative Go (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 202, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MS. HIDILYN DIAZ FOR WINNING A SILVER MEDAL IN THE

53KG WEIGHTLIFTING CATEGORY AT THE XXXI OLYMPIAD HELD IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL”

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 203, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (DOTC) TO LAY DOWN THE FRAMEWORK FOR THE GENERAL REFURBISHMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RAILWAYS (PNR) MASS TRANSPORT SYSTEM”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 204, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE SCIENTIFIC VALIDITY OF THE FINDINGS THAT ALKALINE WATER IS THE SECRET TO LONGEVITY AND, IN THE EVENT THAT THE SCIENTIFIC FACTS ARE THUS ESTABLISHED, RECOMMEND PRACTICAL WAYS BY WHICH TO MAKE ALKALINE WATER WIDELY AVAILABLE”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 205, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT FOR ITS VOW TO CONTINUE ITS DEVELOPMENT AID PROJECTS FOR MINDANAO AS PART OF ITS CONTRIBUTION TO PEACE IN THE REGION, NOW THAT THE GOVERNMENT AND THE MORO ISLAMIC LIBERATION FRONT (MILF) ARE APPROACHING A FINAL ACCORD TO END DECADES OF CONFLICT”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND UNITY

House Resolution No. 206, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION FOR THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO AND PRESCRIBE REMEDIAL MEASURES TO THE LOOPHOLE ON RA 10533 ENTITLED 'AN ACT ENHANCING THE PHILIPPINE BASIC EDUCATION SYSTEM BY STRENGTHENING ITS CURRICULUM AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF YEARS FOR BASIC EDUCATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,' OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ENHANCED BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2013,' WHICH APPEARS TO HAVE OVERLOOKED THE CONSIDERABLE TOLL ON COLLEGE TEACHERS OF THE TRANSITION FROM GRADES 11 TO 12 TO COLLEGE”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 207, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN TO LOOK INTO THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF CHARACTER-BASED VIDEO GAMES ON CHILDREN AND PRESCRIBE COUNTERMEASURES TO CURB, IF NOT DISCOURAGE YOUNGSTERS FROM ENGAGING IN SUCH CHARACTER-BASED VIDEO GAMES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 208, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING OLYMPIC WEIGHTLIFTER HIDILYN DIAZ FOR WINNING A SILVER MEDAL IN THE 2016 SUMMER OLYMPICS IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL AND FOR BRINGING HONOR TO THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Abayon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 209, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON ECOLOGY, NATURAL RESOURCES AND AGRARIAN REFORM TO CONDUCT A JOINT INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED LAND GRABBING BY THE MARIA THERESA VIRATA REALTY CORPORATION AND HENRY SY'S MANILA SOUTHCOAST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION INVOLVING 602 HECTARES OF PATUNGAN COVE, AND DISPLACING THE FISHERFOLK AND FARMER COMMUNITY AT BRGY. STA. MERCEDES, MARAGONDON, CAVITE”

By Representatives Casilao, Zarate, De Jesus, Tinio, Brosas, Castro (F.L.) and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 210, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE VIOLENT DISPERSAL OF PROTESTING FARMERS ON APRIL 01, 2016, DUBBED AS THE 'KIDAPAWAN MASSACRE', PERPETRATED BY ELEMENTS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE THAT LED TO THE DEATH OF TWO (2) FARMERS, WOUNDING OF MORE THAN A HUNDRED, AND CHARGING OF EIGHTY-ONE (81) OTHERS WITH TRUMPED-UP CASES, AND CAUSED TRAUMA TO PREGNANT AND ELDERLY WOMEN WHO WERE AMONG THOSE ILLEGALLY DETAINED AND FALSELY CHARGED”

By Representatives Brosas and De Jesus

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 211, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINA WEIGHTLIFTER HIDILYN DIAZ FOR MAKING THE COUNTRY PROUD BY WINNING THE SILVER MEDAL IN THE 2016 OLYMPIC GAMES IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL”

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 212, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE REQUIRED LEVEL OF ANCILLARY SERVICES NECESSARY TO SUPPORT THE TRANSMISSION OF CAPACITY AND ENERGY FROM RESOURCES TO LOADS WHILE MAINTAINING RELIABLE OPERATION OF THE TRANSMISSION SYSTEM TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THE NATIONAL GRID CORPORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES HAS BEEN COMPLYING WITH THE SAME”

By Representative Velasco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 213, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THAT THE PHILIPPINE GOVERNMENT URGES THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN TO FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGE, APOLOGIZE FOR AND ACCEPT ITS RESPONSIBILITY OVER THE SEXUAL SLAVERY OF YOUNG WOMEN COMMONLY KNOWN AS COMFORT WOMEN BY THE JAPANESE IMPERIAL ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II AND PROVIDE COMPENSATION TO THE VICTIMS”

By Representatives De Jesus and Brosas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Resolution No. 214, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING CONCHITA CLAUDIO CARPIO-MORALES AS ONE OF THE AWARDEES OF THE PRESTIGIOUS RAMON MAGSAYSAY AWARDS FOR 2016, RECOGNIZES HER MORAL COURAGE AND COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE; PROMOTING BY HER EXAMPLE OF INCORRUPTIBILITY, DILIGENCE, VISION AND LEADERSHIP, THE HIGHEST ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC SERVICE”

By Representative Uy (J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Resolution No. 215, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE OUTSTANDING PHILIPPINE SOLDIERS (TOPS) OF 2016 AWARDED BY THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC. AND THE ROTARY CLUB OF MAKATI METRO”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

With the permission of the Body, the following Members were made coauthors of the Bills hereunder indicated:

Rep. Kaka J. Bag-ao for House Bills No. 247, 249 and 250;

Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing for House Bills No. 325, 2042 and 2149;

Rep. Jose T. Panganiban Jr., CPA, LLb. for House Bills No. 52, 183, 184, 326, 399, 447, 478, 493, 494, 618, 620, 714 and 1480;

Rep. Rodel M. Batocabe for House Bill No. 1480;

Rep. Julieta R. Cortuna for House Bill No. 361;

Rep. Gus S. Tambunting for House Bills No. 87, 104, 138, 338, 340 and 412;

Rep. Nancy A. Catamco for House Bills No. 534, 1319, 1320 and 1474;

Rep. Harlin Neil J. Abayon III for House Bills No. 37, 39, 152, 183, 252, 749, 760, 1663 and 1169;

Rep. Leo Rafael M. Cueva for House Bills No. 2007 and 2073;

Rep. Micaela S. Violago for House Bill No. 551;

Rep. Edward Vera Perez Maceda for House Bill No. 34;

Reps. Vini Nola A. Ortega and Jennifer Austria-Barzaga for House Bill No. 580;

Rep. Ruwel Peter S. Gonzaga for House Bill No. 361;

Rep. Makmod D. Mending Jr. for House Bills No. 491, 492, 493, 494 and 495;

Rep. Robert Ace S. Barbers for House Bills No. 122, 123, 2220, 2226, 2227 and 2474;

Rep. Melecio J. Yap Jr. for House Bills No. 74 and 1379;

Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo for House Bills No. 74 and 139;

Rep. Teodoro "Ted" G. Montoro for House Bills No. 74 and 720;

Rep. Jose Antonio "Kuya Jonathan" R. Sy-Alvarado for House Bills No. 79, 592, 673, 674, 827, 1034, 1520, 1525, 1558, 1567, 1569, 1577, 1867 and 1894;

Rep. Raul V. Del Mar for House Bill No. 3;

Rep. Carlito S. Marquez for House Bill No. 1172;

Rep. Mark Aeron H. Sambar for House Bills No. 3, 36, 43, 436, 1996 and 2143;

Rep. Vincent "Bingbong" P. Crisologo for House Bills No. 618, 619, 620, 621, 1361, 2113 and 2389;

Rep. Franz E. Alvarez for House Bill No. 621;

Rep. Abdullah D. Dimaporo for House Bills No. 123, 2691, 2692 and 2693;

Rep. Jose "Pingping" I. Tejada for House Bills No. 122 and 123;

Rep. Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe for House Bills No. 9 and 10;

Rep. Michelle M. Antonio for House Bill No. 324; and

Rep. Gwendolyn F. Garcia for House Bill No. 2312.

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters dated August 4 and 10, 2016 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas,

furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas issuances, to wit:

1. Circular Letter No. CL-2016-063 dated 28 July 2016;
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2016-064 dated 28 July 2016;
3. Circular No. 918 dated 2 August 2016;
4. Circular Letter No. CL-2016-065 dated 29 July 2016;
5. Circular Letter No. CL-2016-066 dated 28 July 2016;
6. Circular Letter No. CL-2016-067 dated 29 July 2016; and
7. Circular No. 919 dated 2 August 2016.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated 10 August 2016 of Reynaldo A. Cata-pang, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Undersecretary for Migrant Workers Affairs, Department of Foreign Affairs, furnishing the House of Representatives with the "Report to Congress on Assistance to Nationals" for the period July to December 2015, in CD digital format, pursuant to Section 33 of Republic Act No. 8042.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Bondoc acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of former Speaker Jose De Venecia and former Rep. Gina P. De Venecia who were guests of Rep. Christopher "Toff" Vera Perez De Venecia.

Rep. Bondoc likewise acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Deputy Speaker Abu, Reps. Bondoc, Emmanuel A. Billones, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Len B. Alonte-Naguaiat, and Aurelio "Dong" D. Gonzales Jr.

RECONSIDERATION OF THE APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 10, DATED AUGUST 15, 2016

On motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body reconsidered the approval of Journal No. 10, dated August 15, 2016.

CORRECTION OF REP. LAGMAN

Recognized by the Chair upon motion of Rep. Bondoc, Rep. Edcel C. Lagman quoted the portion on page 27 of Journal No. 10, to wit: "Rep. Lagman appealed the ruling of the Chair. He said that he had many pending overriding questions such as who was the Majority Leader who accepted the application of Rep. Suarez to join the Minority from the Majority." He said that to be consistent with the essence of the statement, he moved that the word "Majority" should be changed to MINORITY, which Rep. Bondoc seconded, on behalf of the Majority.

Furthermore, Rep. Lagman said that to be consistent with the approval of the correction to the Journal, the same correction should be effected on the transcript of the proceedings last August 15, 2016, and that the proper office of the House should be advised of such correction.

Rep. Bondoc, in reply, stated that the transcript is actually not an official document but only a transcription of the proceedings as heard by the plenary stenographers. He however took note of Rep. Lagman's manifestation which he said had become part of public records considering that it was part of the proceedings for the day's session.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 10, DATED AUGUST 15, 2016, AS CORRECTED

On motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 10, dated August 15, 2016, as corrected.

MOTION OF REP. MARCOLETA

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Rodante D. Marcoleta moved to likewise reconsider the approval of said Journal No. 10 insofar as certain portions were not quite reflective of the true deliberations on the floor.

Rep. Bondoc interposed by saying that he was earlier approached by Rep. Marcoleta concerning substantial changes to the Journal, whom he advised to submit his proposed amendments to the Committee on

Rules considering that they are substantial in nature and would affect the Journal. Rep. Bondoc begged the indulgence of Rep. Marcoleta saying that they will gladly correct any deficiencies in the Journal after a perusal of his amendments in the Committee on Rules.

Rep. Marcoleta averred that his correction was not substantial insofar as the written records were concerned since it only involved a pure rewriting of two paragraphs. He said that without the rewriting, the substantial essence and context of the deliberation would not have been faithfully captured, such as the point when he asked for two minutes during the August 15, 2016 session which was not reflected in the Journal.

Sympathizing with Rep. Marcoleta, Rep. Bondoc maintained that they would look forward to give due course to the former's proposed amendments to Journal No. 10 and asked that they be given the chance to study the same which he said the Committee on Rules has yet to receive.

Whereupon, Rep. Marcoleta manifested on record that he was giving a copy of his proposal to the Journal Service for consideration on the floor.

MANIFESTATION OF REP. LAGMAN

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Lagman said that he appreciated the leniency given to Rep. Marcoleta, however, he expressed hope that this would be extended to a relaxation of the House Rules because under Rule XIII, Section 103 on "Reconsideration," the motion for reconsideration can only be made on the day the motion was approved, or immediately, on the following session day; and that Rep. Marcoleta's correction will not be barred by the said Rule.

In reply, Rep. Bondoc assured the Members that they would be most liberal in the appreciation of any of their grievances to the point of relaxing the Rules of the House without objection from any of the Members, for them to be able to ventilate whatever issues they wish to raise.

POINT OF INQUIRY OF REP. UNICO

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Renato J. Unico Jr. inquired as to when the Members would be furnished copies of the National Expenditure Program (NEP) for fiscal year 2017, to which Rep. Bondoc replied that copies were being distributed to the Members at the moment.

THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

With the unanimous consent of the House, on motion of Rep. Bondoc, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour.

SUSPENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

Whereupon, on subsequent motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Chair suspended the Privilege Hour to give way to the calling of the Roll.

ROLL CALL

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abad
Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Acosta
Adiong
Advincula
Aggabao
Aglipay-Villar
Akbar
Albano
Alcala
Alonte-Naguiat
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amante
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonino
Aragones
Arcillas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Bagatsing
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Batocabe
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.)
Belmonte (R.)

Benitez
Bernos
Biazon
Billones
Biron
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Cari
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano
Celeste
Cerafica
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Co
Cojuangco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Cua
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Daza
De Jesus
De Venecia
De Vera
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.)
Duavit
Dy
Elago
Erice
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero

Espina	Mercado
Espino	Mirasol
Estrella	Montoro
Eusebio	Nieto
Evardone	Noel
Fariñas	Nograles (J.)
Fernando	Nolasco
Ferrer (J.)	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Ferriol-Pascual	Oaminal
Floirendo	Ocampo
Fortun	Ong (E.)
Fortuno	Ong (H.)
Fuentebella	Ortega (P.)
Garbin	Ortega (V.)
Garcia (G.)	Pacquiao
Garcia (J.)	Paduano
Garcia-Albano	Palma
Garin (R.)	Pancho
Garin (S.)	Panganiban
Gasataya	Panotes
Geron	Pichay
Go (A.C.)	Pimentel
Go (M.)	Pineda
Gomez	Plaza
Gonzales (A.P.)	Primicias-Agabas
Gonzales (A.D.)	Quimbo
Gonzalez	Ramirez-Sato
Gorriceta	Ramos
Gullas	Relampagos
Hernandez	Revilla
Herrera-Dy	Roa-Puno
Hofer	Robes
Khonghun	Rocamora
Labadlabad	Rodriguez (I.)
Lacson	Rodriguez (M.)
Lagman	Roman
Lanete	Romero
Laogan	Romualdez
Lazatin	Romualdo
Lobregat	Roque (H.)
Lopez (B.)	Roque (R.)
Lopez (M.)	Sacdalan
Macapagal-Arroyo	Sagarbarria
Maceda	Sahali
Madrona	Salceda
Malapitan	Salo
Manalo	Salon
Mangaoang	Sambar
Mangudadatu (S.)	Sandoval
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Sarmiento (C.)
Marcoleta	Sarmiento (E.)
Marcos	Savellano
Mariño	Siao
Marquez	Silverio
Martinez	Singson
Mellana	Suansing (E.)

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 Unico
 Uy (J.)
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 Vargas-Alfonso
 Velarde
 Velasco
 Velasco-Catera
 Veloso
 Vergara
 Villafuerte
 Villanueva
 Villaraza-Suarez
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 Yap (M.)
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 Zarate
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With 216 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See also Appendix 1)

REMARKS OF REP. ATIENZA

Upon recognition by the Chair, Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. congratulated the Majority Leader and the Speaker for calling the Roll as early as possible and the Members for coming in early. He stressed that this will result in a more industrious and dedicated Chamber.

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

On motion of Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr., there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 11, dated August 16, 2016.

RESUMPTION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Rep. Defensor, there being no objection, the Body resumed the Privilege Hour.

On further motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Christopher “Toff” Vera Perez De Venecia from the Fourth District of Pangasinan to take the floor.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REP. DE VENECIA

Initially, Rep. De Venecia expressed support for the President’s war against drugs and decried the killing by a vigilante squad of one of his constituents who was mistaken to be a drug pusher. He then stressed that while the Philippine National Police (PNP) continues to identify, apprehend and fight drug users/pushers, the government should adopt a multisectoral and preventive policy on the drug problem which includes the following: 1) enactment of laws and mechanisms to reduce the supply and demand of drugs; 2) convening, funding and monitoring of barangay antidrug abuse councils (BADACs); 3) inclusion of drug education in the education curriculum; 4) establishment and expansion of drug rehabilitation centers, programs, facilities, personnel and funds; and the temporary use of military camps as rehabilitation centers; 5) media collaboration on drug awareness; and 6) social reintegration and livelihood programs for rehabilitated dependents.

As he called on the Department of Health (DOH), media conglomerates, mass media, and the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board (MTRCB), among others, to work hand-in-hand in the propagation of drug prevention measures and mechanisms, Rep. De Venecia stated that the multisectoral approach to the war on drugs under President Rodrigo Roa Duterte’s leadership could set a model for the whole world, one that is not isolationist and exclusive but collaborative and inclusive. He stressed that to ensure the success of such an approach, different government agencies such as the National Youth Commission (NYC), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), among others, should also provide support mechanisms in order for the war on drugs to succeed.

Thereupon, Rep. De Venecia 1) enjoined his colleagues to support the passage of the Bills he would file, 2) called on the Appropriations and Health committees of Congress to increase the national health budget that would expand and modernize existing rehabilitation centers in the country, and 3) emphasized

the improvement and effective implementation of drug assessment and monitoring programs in the barangay and regional health centers.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Edward Vera Perez Maceda for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. MACEDA

To the queries of Rep. Maceda, Rep. De Venecia elaborated on the proposed multisectoral collaboration of the different government agencies, mass media and private institutions in the war against drugs. He stated that the campaign against drugs becomes stronger when they work collectively and not individually.

Thereafter stressing that the situation needs a multilevel approach starting from the barangay level, Rep. Maceda, in ending his interpellation, said that he supports the measures authored by Rep. De Venecia, and expressed hope that Congress will work with the President and all sectors of government and society to end the drug problem.

On motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Sherwin N. Tugna for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. TUGNA

To the concerns raised by Rep. Tugna, Rep. De Venecia explained that institutionalizing the barangay antidrug abuse council or BADAC despite the existence of a Department of the Interior and Local Government's (DILG) Memorandum Circular would allow barangays to prioritize its implementation, as well as allocate one percent of the Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) as funds therefor.

The Members then focused on the mechanisms of the BADAC, with Rep. De Venecia explaining that provincial and municipal governments would be encouraged to ensure the implementation of the antidrug abuse programs. He added that based on said circular, failure by a barangay to allocate funds for the BADAC would mean the nonrelease of its budget allocation.

In instances where barangay captains choose to remain silent in the fight against drugs, Rep. De Venecia said that given a clean conscience, then they have nothing to fear as they should be the frontliners in this campaign.

Finally, Rep. Tugna said that he joins Rep. De Venecia's proposed measures that will enhance the existing mechanisms set by the DILG.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. ATIENZA

Recognized by the Chair, on motion of Rep. Defensor, Rep. Atienza first congratulated Rep. De Venecia for his privilege speech that emphasized the need to address the drug problem.

As he referred to Rep. De Venecia's emphasis on the need to engage the youth sector in cultural and sports activities, Rep. Atienza thereafter inquired on the present Administration's thrust therein.

Rep. De Venecia, after observing that the President did not elaborate on his cultural policy, referred to his 10-point economic agenda which includes the proliferation of creative industries that contribute five percent to the country's gross domestic product. He also observed that the present cultural program focuses on the indigenous peoples, this as he pointed to the absence of and the need for a representative to the Dangerous Drugs Board from the National Commission for the Culture and Arts. He emphasized the need for representation from the cultural agencies in devising intervention programs for the youth and stressed that sports and culture are means of discouraging them from taking illegal drugs. Barangay families, he maintained, should also devise cultural and sports initiatives.

As he recalled that from the time of President Ferdinand Marcos, and even with five Presidents already elected, the country never had any cultural nor sports programs for the youth, Rep. Atienza invited Rep. De Venecia to join the measure including these programs in the functions of the Department of Education, to which the latter agreed to.

Rep. Atienza next inquired whether Rep. De Venecia has seen the proposed 2017 national budget. He requested that they check the 2017 budget allocation for the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) in order that all their plans and proposals to eradicate the problem on drugs and drug pushers will be realized. Considering that the past administrations did not focus well on the country's drug problems which is why it has worsened, he expressed his appreciation to the young Members of the 17th Congress who express interest in effectively addressing the problem. He then joined Rep. De Venecia in all of his proposals to address the drug problems in the country. With regard to the killings of the innocent being committed in the fight against drugs, he said that during the budget deliberations on the proposed budget of the PNP, he would ask the leadership of the PNP to explain these abuses.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. HERRERA-DY

On motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy who initially congratulated Rep. De Venecia for coming up with a multisectoral and holistic approach on how to deal with the drug problems in the country.

Rep. De Venecia said that he appreciates the proposal of Rep. Herrera-Dy to ensure that agencies tasked to fight the drug problems have a separate budget allocation for drug rehabilitation program so that these will be fully implemented. They further discussed the holistic and multisectoral approach on preventing drug users to become drug pushers by focusing on monitoring and employment, providing livelihood opportunities to the marginalized and calling for a culture of compassion and encouragement for people to reform and be rehabilitated.

Rep. Herrera-Dy also proposed that first time offenders should be separated from the veterans so that they would be encouraged to change after they finish the rehabilitation program. She ended her interpellation by expressing her support to Rep. De Venecia’s antidrug abuse measures.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. ROMAN

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Geraldine B. Roman commended Rep. De Venecia for his multifaceted holistic and integral approach that deals with the prevention, treatment and post-rehabilitation of drug users. She pointed out that although it is not an instant solution, it is definitely more lasting.

Thereafter, they discussed how Rep. De Venecia’s Bill would address the challenge of unifying, coordinating and supervising the entire fight against illegal drugs considering that there are several drug agencies which address the problem from different aspects. Rep. Roman expressed confidence that Rep. De Venecia is aware of the different aspects of his proposal and commended him for taking the first step in the right direction.

On motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Lianda B. Bolilia for her interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. BOLILIA

Rep. Bolilia appreciated and supported Rep. De Venecia’s concern on the issue on drugs and his proposition on the multisectoral approach in dealing with the country’s drug problem.

They then discussed the difference between the proposed bill of Rep. De Venecia to institutionalize BADAC and the two memorandum circulars issued by former DILG Secretary Mar Roxas on the same subject matter and whether the new bill would introduce changes in the composition and functions of the BADAC.

In closing, Rep. Bolilia assured Rep. De Venecia of her support for his advocacy against illegal drugs.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Rosanna “Ria” V. Vergara for her interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. VERGARA

Rep. Vergara’s discourse with Rep. De Venecia centered on the significance of educating the public that drug dependence is a disease and mental health issue. Rep. De Venecia agreed with Rep. Vergara’s suggestion that there is a need to change the public’s mindset on drug addiction, that victims of drugs really need help and not judgment from other people.

On motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair recognized Deputy Speaker Pia S. Cayetano for her interpellation.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Abu relinquished the Chair to Rep. Bondoc.

INTERPELLATION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER CAYETANO

Initially, Rep. Cayetano gave her support to Rep. De Venecia when he said that he would bring back to the Department of Education programs on sports and culture in relation to drug problems. She said that they also need the support of local government units (LGUs) with regard to sports development, considering that each locality already has its own kind of sport where its locals excel.

At this juncture, Rep. Bondoc relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Abu.

Rep. De Venecia agreed that it would be easier to promote the kind of sport that already exists in a particular area. He expressed belief that they should harness what is innate in the regions and that the municipal, provincial and city governments should include sports in their local development plans. Furthermore, he underscored that a legislation that they can collaborate on is institutionalizing the presence of culture and sports officers in the LGUs so they can actively devise sports and capacity-building programs for various athletes.

As regards culture and the arts, Rep. De Venecia also agreed with Rep. Cayetano that music, dance, theater, and other art forms can stimulate the youth so they can become productive members of the community.

Having had the privilege of sitting in the NCCA board, Rep. Cayetano was aware that the government's cultural agencies have inadequate budgets to enable them to truly promote arts and culture. Rep. De Venecia agreed therewith and expressed his support on any measure that Rep. Cayetano would propose with regard to promoting culture and arts in the country.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Victoria Isabel G. Noel, the Chair recognized Rep. Rolando G. Andaya Jr. for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. ANDAYA

Rep. Andaya expressed hope that Rep. De Venecia's Bill, which he wanted to be a coauthor of, will consider the fact that very few psychiatrists were available in national drug rehabilitation centers; drug addicts had deep family and mental issues; and there was a stigma attached to drug addicts. Rep. De Venecia agreed with his colleague's insights and added that drug rehabilitation is a very complex process that requires the help of media, technical experts, and family members.

On motion of Rep. Defensor, the Chair then recognized Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon to ask questions.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. BIAZON

Rep. Biazon asked which was the lead agency in the government's antidrug campaign and what was its policy thereon.

Rep. De Venecia called on the President and the PNP, which he considered as the lead agency in the drug war, to adopt an inclusive and multisectoral approach and inform all stakeholders about the identity, linkages, and performance of the different agencies concerned. He agreed with Rep. Biazon that the House could assess their budgets during the forthcoming budget hearings.

The Members then tackled the performance of the Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB) and the PDEA in the war against illegal drugs, and discussed the proposed 2017 budgets of the two agencies in relation to the PNP. Both agreed to look into said proposed budgets

in relation to their respective operations in the war against illegal drugs.

REFERRAL OF REP. DE VENECIA'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Defensor, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Rep. De Venecia, together with the interpellations thereon, to the Committee on Rules.

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Defensor, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKERS

On motion of Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body elected Reps. Bai Sandra Sinsuat A. Sema and Ferdinand L. Hernandez as Deputy Speakers of the House of Representatives. Rep. Fariñas stated that said Members would take their oath before the Speaker on Monday the following week.

ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

On motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members from the Majority to the Committees/Special Committees hereunder indicated:

Special Committee on Bicol Recovery and Economic Development

(as Chairperson)

1. Rep. Renato J. Unico Jr.

Special Committee on Climate Change

(as Chairperson)

1. Rep. Christopher S. Co

Special Committee on Globalization and WTO

(as Chairperson)

1. Rep. Jesulito A. Manalo –vice Rep. Christopher S. Co.

Committee on Accounts

(as Vice Chairperson)

1. Rep. Florencio T. Flores M.D.

(as additional Members)

2. Rep. Salvio B. Fortuno
3. Rep. Ana Cristina Siquian Go
4. Rep. Robert Ace S. Barbers
5. Rep. Bellaflor J. Angara-Castillo
6. Rep. Manuel F. Zubiri

Committee on Appropriations

(as Vice Chairpersons)

1. Rep. Ana Cristina Siquian Go
2. Rep. Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon
3. Rep. Luis Raymund F. Villafuerte Jr.
4. Rep. Seth Frederick P. Jalosjos
5. Rep. Erlpe John "Ping" M. Amante
6. Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma
7. Rep. Magnolia C. Antonino
8. Rep. Mark Aeron H. Sambar

Committee on Basic Education and Culture

(as Member)

1. Rep. Jose Enrique S. Garcia III - vice Juliet Marie D. Ferrer

Committee on Information and Communications Technology

(as Members)

1. Rep. Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas
2. Rep. Cesar V. Sarmiento
3. Rep. Eric L. Olivarez
4. Rep. Aileen C. Radaza
5. Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon
6. Rep. Alexandria P. Gonzales
7. Rep. Micaela S. Violago
8. Rep. Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon
9. Rep. Robert Ace S. Barbers
10. Rep. Henedina R. Abad
11. Rep. Rene L. Relampagos
12. Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo
13. Rep. Vilma Santos-Recto
14. Rep. Strike B. Revilla
15. Rep. Baby Aline Vargas-Alfonso

Committee on Metro Manila Development

(as Vice Chairpersons)

1. Rep. Eric M. Martinez
2. Rep. Emi G. Calixto-Rubiano

(as Members)

3. Rep. Rosenda Ann Ocampo
4. Rep. Gus S. Tambunting
5. Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon
6. Rep. Dale "Along" R. Malapitan
7. Rep. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto
8. Rep. Federico "Ricky" S. Sandoval II
9. Rep. Carlo V. Lopez
10. Rep. Emmeline Aglipay-Villar
11. Rep. Jorge "Bolet" Banal
12. Rep. Feliciano Belmonte Jr.
13. Rep. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte
14. Rep. Alfred D. Vargas

Committee on Natural Resources

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4. Rep. Vicente J. Alcala
5. Rep. Maria Vida Espinosa Bravo
6. Rep. Joseph Stephen S. Paduano

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8. Rep. Arnel M. Cerafica
9. Rep. Milagrosa "Mila" T. Tan
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27. Rep. Nancy A. Catamco

28. Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr.
29. Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla
30. Rep. Alfred D. Vargas
31. Rep. Leopoldo N. Bataoil
32. Rep. Leo Rafael M. Cueva
33. Rep. Evelyn P. Mellana
34. Rep. Lorna C. Silverio
35. Rep. Jose Antonio "Kuya Jonathan" R. Sy-Alvarado

Committee on People's Participation

(as Vice Chairperson)

1. Rep. Florida "Rida" P. Robes

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3. Rep. Ramon V.A. "Rav" M. Rocamora
4. Rep. Winston "Winnie" Castelo

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5. Rep. Ramon V.A. "Rav" M. Rocamora
6. Rep. Christopher "Toff" Vera Perez De Venecia
7. Rep. Juliette T. Uy

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8. Rep. Mario Vittorio "Marvey" A. Mariño
9. Rep. Francis Gerald A. Abaya
10. Rep. Alfred D. Vargas
11. Rep. Alberto T. Ungab

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(as Members)

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6. Rep. Vilma Santos-Recto
7. Rep. Cristina "Chiqui" Roa-Puno

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, August 22, 2016.

It was 6:51 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) ATTY. CESAR S. PAREJA
Secretary General

Approved on August 22, 2016

Committee on Welfare of Children

(as Vice Chairpersons)

1. Rep. Cesar V. Sarmiento
2. Rep. Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento

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ABELLANOSA	BERNOS	DEL ROSARIO
ABU	** BERTIZ	DELOSO-MONTALLA
ABUEG	BIAZON	DIMAPORO (A.)
ACHARON	BILLONES	DIMAPORO (M.K.)
ACOP	BIRON	DUAVIT
ACOSTA	BOLILIA	**** DURANO
* ACOSTA-ALBA	BONDOC	DY
ADIONG	BORDADO	ELAGO
ADVINCULA	BRAVO (A.)	**** ENVERGA
**** AGARAO	BRAVO (M.V.)	ERICE
AGGABAO	BROSAS	ERIGUEL
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AKBAR	CAGAS	ESCUDERO
ALBANO	CALDERON	ESPINA
ALCALA	CALIXTO-RUBIANO	ESPINO
** ALEJANO	CAMINERO	ESTRELLA
*** ALMARIO	CAMPOS	EUSEBIO
* ALMONTE	**** CANAMA	EVARDONE
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**** ALVAREZ (M.)	CASTELO	FERRER (J.)
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AMANTE	CASTRO (F.H.)	FERRIOL-PASCUAL
AMATONG	***** CATAMCO	FLOIRENDO
ANDAYA	CAYETANO	**** FLORES
ANGARA-CASTILLO	CELESTE	FORTUN
ANTONINO	CERAFICA	FORTUNO
* ANTONIO	CERILLES	FUENTEBELLA
ARAGONES	CHAVEZ	GARBIN
**** ARBISON	CHIPECO	GARCIA (G.)
ARCILLAS	CO	GARCIA (J.E.)
***** ARENAS	COJUANGCO	GARCIA-ALBANO
ATIENZA	COLLANTES	GARIN (R.)
* AUMENTADO	CORTES	GARIN (S.)
BAG-AO	CORTUNA	GASATAYA
BAGATSING	COSALAN	*** GATCHALIAN
* BAGUILAT	CRISOLOGO	GERON
* BANAL	CUA	GO (A.C.)
BARBERS	CUARESMA	GO (M.)
BARZAGA	CUEVA	GOMEZ
BATAOIL	DALIPE	**** GONZAGA
BATOCABE	* DALOG	GONZALES (A.P.)
BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN	DAZA	GONZALES (A.D.)
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BELMONTE (F.)	DE VENECIA	GORRICETA

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**** OLIVAREZ
 ONG (E.)
 ONG (H.)
 ORTEGA (P.)
 ORTEGA (V.N.)
 PACQUIAO
 PADUANO
 PALMA
 PANCHO
 PANGANIBAN
 PANOTES
 * PAPANDAYAN
 PICHAY
 PIMENTEL
 PINEDA
 PLAZA
 PRIMICIAS-AGABAS
 QUIMBO
 * RADAZA
 RAMIREZ-SATO
 RAMOS
 RELAMPAGOS
 REVILLA
 ROA-PUNO
 ROBES
 ROCAMORA
 RODRIGUEZ (I.)
 RODRIGUEZ (M.)
 ROMAN
 ROMERO
 ROMUALDEZ
 ROMUALDO
 ROQUE (H.)
 ROQUE (R.)
 SACDALAN
 SAGARBARRIA
 SAHALI
 SALCEDA
 *** SALIMBANGON
 SALO
 SALON
 SAMBAR
 SANDOVAL
 **** SANTOS-RECTO
 SARMIENTO (C.)
 SARMIENTO (E.M.)
 SAVELLANO
 ** SEMA
 SIAO
 SILVERIO

SINGSON
 SUANSING (E.)
 SUANSING (H.)
 SUAREZ
 SY-ALVARADO
 TAMBUNTING
 TAN (A.)
 TAN (M.)
 **** TAN (S.)
 * TEJADA
 TEVES
 TIANGCO
 TING
 TINIO
 *** TOLENTINO
 *** TREÑAS
 TUGNA
 TUPAS
 * TURABIN-HATAMAN
 TY
 UMALI
 UNABIA
 UNGAB
 UNICO
 UY (J.)
 UY (R.)
 UYBARRETA
 VARGAS
 VARGAS-ALFONSO
 VELARDE
 VELASCO
 VELASCO-CATERA
 VELOSO
 VERGARA
 VILLAFUERTE
 VILLANUEVA
 VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
 VILLARICA
 VILLARIN
 VIOLAGO
 YAP (A.)
 YAP (M.)
 * YAP (V.)
 YU
 **** ZAMORA (M.C.)
 *** ZAMORA (R.)
 ZARATE
 ZUBIRI

* Appeared before/after Roll Call

** On official mission

*** Attended meetings of CA/HRET/Conference Committee/Committee meetings authorized by Committee on Rules

**** Officially notified the House, through the Secretariat, of their absence

***** Absent without notice

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