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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Munir M. Arbison 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.

MOTION TO DEFER THE ROLL CALL

Whereupon, Rep. Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy moved to defer the calling of the Roll.

**OBJECTION OF
REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA**

Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. however objected to the motion and pointed out that the Members were informed that the Roll will be called right after the National Anthem so there was no reason to defer it. He stated that they have Rules to follow and it was about time that they do so.

ROLL CALL

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

Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Albano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amatong

Andaya
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Barbers
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Benitez
Bernos
Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Bulut-Begtang
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Catamco
Cayetano
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Cortes
Cortuna
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Datul
Daza
De Jesus
de Venecia
Defensor
Del Mar

Del Rosario	Martinez
Deloso-Montalla	Matugas
Dimaporo (A.)	Mending
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Mercado
Duavit	Mirasol
Durano	Montoro
Dy	Nieto
Elago	Noel
Enverga	Nolasco
Ermita-Buhain	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Escudero	Olivarez
Espina	Ong (E.)
Espino	Ong (H.)
Evardone	Ortega (P.)
Ferrer (J.)	Ortega (V.N.)
Ferriol-Pascual	Pacquiao
Floirendo	Paduano
Flores	Palma
Fortuno	Pancho
Garbin	Panganiban
Garcia (J.E.)	Panotes
Garcia-Albano	Papandayan
Garin (R.)	Pichay
Garin (S.)	Pico
Gasataya	Pineda
Gatchalian	Primicias-Agabas
Geron	Radaza
Go (A.C.)	Ramirez-Sato
Go (M.)	Revilla
Gonzales (A.P.)	Roa-Puno
Gonzales (A.D.)	Robes
Gonzalez	Rocamora
Gullas	Rodriguez (I.)
Hernandez (F.)	Roman
Hernandez (P.)	Romualdez
Herrera-Dy	Romualdo
Hofer	Roque
Jalosjos	Sacdalan
Javier	Salimbangon
Khonghun	Salo
Labadlabad	Salon
Lagman	Sandoval
Lanete	Sangcopan
Laogan	Sarmiento (C.)
Lazatin	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Leachon	Savellano
Lobregat	Siao
Lopez (B.)	Silverio
Lopez (M.L.)	Suansing (E.)
Macapagal-Arroyo	Suansing (H.)
Maceda	Suarez
Madrona	Tambunting
Malapitan	Tan (A.)
Manalo	Tejada
Mangaoang	Teves
Marcoleta	Tinio
Marcos	Tolentino
Marquez	Treñas

Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velasco
Vergara
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

With 209 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

APPROVAL OF JOURNALS NO. 31 AND 32

Considering that copies of Journals No. 31 and 32 dated November 20 and 21, 2018, respectively had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Herrera-Dy, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of said Journals and subsequently approved the same.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Representative Herrera-Dy, 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 Messages from the Senate, Communication, and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 8613, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN 'OPT-OUT' SYSTEM OF ORGAN DONATION AND

TRANSPLANTATION, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7170 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ORGAN DONATION ACT OF 1991', PROMOTING THE RIGHT TO HEALTH, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alonte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8614, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 9 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF EASTERN SAMAR, TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'EASTERN SAMAR FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY' ”

By Representative Evardone

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 8615, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE FIGHT TO END TUBERCULOSIS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10767 OR THE 'COMPREHENSIVE TUBERCULOSIS ELIMINATION PLAN ACT' ”

By Representative Tan (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8616, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND PROVIDING FOR THE RATIONALIZATION OF WAGE LEVELS ON A NATIONAL OR INDUSTRIAL BASIS”

By Representative Villarin

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 8617, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO FBS RADIO NETWORK

INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND/OR TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Chavez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 8619, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 24 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8491, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FLAG AND HERALDIC CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representatives Salo and Hernandez (P.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 8620, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY TO THOSE WHO HAVE RENDERED AT LEAST THREE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE, OR AT LEAST FIVE NON-CONSECUTIVE YEARS, WHOSE APPOINTMENT STATUS IS EITHER CONTRACTUAL, CASUAL, OR JOB ORDER”

By Representatives Salo and Hernandez (P.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 8621, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELECTRONIC AND EXPRESS MODE FOR GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 8622, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE ONE WAY FLOW OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC

ALONG BOTH SIDES OF EPIFANIO DE LOS SANTOS AVENUE IN METRO MANILA”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 8623, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INSTITUTE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs)-FRIENDLY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM IN CITIES AND URBAN CENTERS OF THE COUNTRY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 8624, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING GREEN BUILDING ROOFTOPS ON ALL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATELY-OWNED BUILDINGS WITHIN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 8625, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING AND REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-SEVEN (R.A. NO. 9297), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE CHEMICAL ENGINEERING ACT OF 2004' ”

By Representative Nograles (J.J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 8635, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING 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, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Macapagal-Arroyo, Salceda, Yap (A.) and Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 2308, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE ECONOMIC MANAGERS TO REVISIT SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICES OF BASIC COMMODITIES FOR POSSIBLE ROLL-BACK IN VIEW OF THE DECLINING GLOBAL CRUDE OIL PRICES”

By Representative Cua

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Resolution No. 2309, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO ALLEGED PRIORITIZATION OF PRIVATE LENDING INSTITUTIONS (PLIs) OVER THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS), AND TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE PROCESS AND BASES OF ACCREDITATION INVOLVING PLIs”

By Representative Teves

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 2310, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION ON THE ALLEGED UNSETTLED ACCOUNTS OF THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION (PHILHEALTH) TO PUBLIC

AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS ACROSS THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Teves

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated November 15, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on November 14, 2018 passed Senate Bill No. 1998, entitled:

“AN ACT LIBERALIZING THE IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION AND TRADING OF RICE, LIFTING FOR THE PURPOSE THE QUANTITATIVE IMPORT RESTRICTION ON RICE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated November 15, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on November 14, 2018, the Senate approved the Conference Committee Report of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1305 and House Bill No. 4113, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE MATERNITY LEAVE PERIOD TO ONE HUNDRED FIVE (105) DAYS FOR FEMALE WORKERS WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND FOR AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY (30) DAYS WITHOUT PAY, AND GRANTING AN ADDITIONAL FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FOR SOLO MOTHERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated November 15, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on November 14, 2018, the Senate designated Senators Grace Poe, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito, Ralph G. Recto, Joel Villanueva and Risa Hontiveros as conferees to the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1971, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILD PASSENGERS IN MOTOR VEHICLES AND PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS THEREOF”

and House Bill No. 6938, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILD PASSENGERS IN MOTOR VEHICLES”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated November 15, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on November 14, 2018, the Senate designated Senators Grace Poe, Ralph G. Recto, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito, Francis “Chiz” G. Escudero and Paolo Benigno “Bam” Aquino IV as conferees to the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1749, entitled:

“AN ACT TO IMPROVE LAND TRANSPORTATION TERMINALS, STATIONS, STOPS, REST AREAS AND ROLL-ON/ROLL-OFF TERMINALS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

and House Bill No. 725, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE COLLECTION OF FEES FROM PASSENGERS FOR THE USE OF SANITARY FACILITIES LOCATED IN THE LAND TRANSPORTATION TERMINALS, STATIONS, STOPS AND REST AREAS”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATION

Letter dated October 19, 2018 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, returning herewith the enrolled copies of consolidated Senate Bill No. 1233 and House Bill No. 5745, as requested in view of Concurrent Resolution No. 19, adopted by both Houses of Congress on 09 October 2018, entitled:

“RECALLING FROM THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT THE ENROLLED COPIES OF SENATE BILL NO. 1233 AND HOUSE BILL NO. 5745, ENTITLED 'AN ACT CREATING THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND UTILIZATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 942), re H.B. No. 8631, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE LANAO DEL NORTE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF ELECTRIC POWER TO ALL END-USERS IN THE PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4555

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Dimaporo (M.K.) and Dimaporo (A)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 943), re H.B. No. 8632, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO RT BROADCAST SPECIALIST PHIL. INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8126, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE RT BROADCAST SPECIALIST PHILIPPINES A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN MINDANAO' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 7980

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Nograles (K.A.), Nograles (J.J.) and Tugna

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 944), re H.B. No. 8633, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ULTIMATE ENTERTAINMENT, INC., UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8102, ENTITLED 'AN

ACT GRANTING THE ULTIMATE ENTERTAINMENT, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 7287

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.) and Ferrer (J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 945), re H.B. No. 8634, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE CADIZ RADIO AND TELEVISION NETWORK, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE WESTERN VISAYAS AREA”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2262

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.) and Cueva

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Health, the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 946), re H.B. No. 8636, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A NATIONAL INTEGRATED CANCER CONTROL PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 268, 716, 897, 1578, 1743, 1851, 1964, 2579, 2798, 3089, 3365, 3441, 3497, 3500, 4707, 5378, 5387, 5763, 6153, 6210, 6280, 6299, HR No. 786 and PS 195

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Roman, Vargas, Suansing (E.), Aragonés, Escudero, Nograles (K.A.), Nograles (J.J.), Roa-Puno and Zamora (M.C.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization, the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 947), re H.B. No. 8637, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE REGIONAL INVESTMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE COORDINATING HUB OF CENTRAL LUZON AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 7139, 7380, 7381 and 7651

Sponsors: Representatives Sacdalan, Silverio, Roman, Sy-Alvarado, Garcia (J.E.), Zamora (M.C.) and Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 948), re H.B. No. 8642, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE TINAKAYANAN FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LABRADOR, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5878

Sponsors: Representatives Nuñez-Malanyaon, Zamora (M.C.) and Batoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 949), re H.B. No. 8643, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING SITIO MAPITA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF AGUILAR, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5886

Sponsors: Representatives Nuñez-Malanyaon, Nograles (K.A.) and Batoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 950), re H.B. No. 8644, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING MOUNT SAN ISIDRO LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LABRADOR, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AN ECOTOURISM DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5783

Sponsors: Representatives Nuñez-Malanyaon, Nograles (K.A.) and Batoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 951), re H.B. No. 8645, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 34, 37, 38, 39, 42, 51, 52, 54, 56, 57, 73, 108, 121, 122, 123, 174, 176, 179, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, AND 199; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 127, 175, 177, 178, 180, 192, AND 193; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 8252 and 8323

Sponsor: Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Rep. Ron P. Salo acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Jeffrey D. Khonghun, Florida “Rida” P. Robes, and Wilfredo S. Caminero.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

On successive motions of Representative Salo, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the approval on Third Reading of the following House Bills/House Joint Resolution, printed copies of

which were distributed to the Members on the dates mentioned herein, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the amended Provisional Rules of the House:

Distributed on November 22, 2018:

1. House Joint Resolution No. 32, entitled: “JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE 2018 APPROPRIATIONS FOR MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL OUTLAYS TO DECEMBER 31, 2019, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 61 OF THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10964, THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF FISCAL YEAR 2018”;

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acop
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Albano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amatong
Andaya
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Barbers
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan

Belaro	Garin (S.)
Belmonte (F.)	Gasataya
Belmonte (J.C.)	Geron
Belmonte (R.)	Go (A.C.)
Benitez	Go (M.)
Bernos	Gonzales (A.P.)
Bertiz	Gonzales (A.D.)
Biazon	Gonzalez
Billones	Gullas
Bondoc	Hernandez (F.)
Bordado	Hernandez (P.)
Bravo (A.)	Herrera-Dy
Bulut-Begtang	Hofer
Calderon	Javier
Calixto-Rubiano	Khonghun
Caminero	Labadlabad
Campos	Lacson
Canama	Laogan
Cari	Lazatin
Castelo	Leachon
Castro (F.H.)	Lobregat
Cayetano	Lopez (B.)
Cerilles	Lopez (M.L.)
Chavez	Macapagal-Arroyo
Chipeco	Maceda
Cortes	Madrona
Cortuna	Malapitan
Cuaresma	Manalo
Cueva	Mangaoang
Dalipe	Marcoleta
Datol	Marcos
Daza	Marquez
de Venecia	Martinez
Defensor	Matugas
Del Mar	Mending
Del Rosario	Mercado
Deloso-Montalla	Mirasol
Dimaporo (A.)	Montoro
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Nieto
Duavit	Noel
Durano	Nolasco
Dy	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Enverga	Olivarez
Ermita-Buhain	Ong (E.)
Escudero	Ong (H.)
Espina	Ortega (P.)
Espino	Ortega (V.N.)
Estrella	Pacquiao
Evardone	Paduano
Ferrer (J.)	Palma
Ferriol-Pascual	Pancho
Floirendo	Panganiban
Flores	Panotes
Fortuno	Papandayan
Garbin	Pichay
Garcia (J.E.)	Pico
Garcia-Albano	Pineda
Garin (R.)	Primicias-Agabas

Radaza
Ramirez-Sato
Revilla
Roa-Puno
Robes
Rocamora
Rodriguez (I.)
Roman
Romualdo
Roque
Sacdalan
Salo
Salon
Sambar
Sandoval
Sangcopan
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
Siao
Silverio
Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)
Suarez
Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tejada
Teves
Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velasco
Vergara
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarin
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zubiri

Negative:

Casilao
Castro (F.L.)
De Jesus
Elago

Tinio
Zarate

Abstention:

None

With 194 affirmative votes, six negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Joint Resolution No. 32.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE
JOINT RESOLUTION**

(Continuation)

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

2. House Bill No. 7005, entitled: “AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE EVEREST ACADEMY AS AN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION OF INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER AND GRANTING THE ACADEMY CERTAIN PREROGATIVES TO PROMOTE ITS DEVELOPMENT”;

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acop
Acosta-Alba
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Albano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amatong
Andaya
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones

Arcillas	Ermita-Buhain
Arenas	Escudero
Atienza	Espina
Bag-ao	Espino
Banal	Estrella
Barbers	Evardone
Bataoil	Ferrer (J.)
Bautista-Bandigan	Ferriol-Pascual
Belaro	Floirendo
Belmonte (F.)	Flores
Belmonte (J.C.)	Fortuno
Belmonte (R.)	Garbin
Benitez	Garcia (J.E.)
Bernos	Garcia-Albano
Bertiz	Garin (R.)
Biazon	Garin (S.)
Billones	Gasataya
Bondoc	Geron
Bordado	Go (A.C.)
Bravo (A.)	Go (M.)
Bulut-Begtang	Gonzales (A.P.)
Calderon	Gonzales (A.D.)
Calixto-Rubiano	Gonzalez
Caminero	Gullas
Campos	Hernandez (F.)
Canama	Hernandez (P.)
Cari	Herrera-Dy
Casilao	Hofer
Castelo	Javier
Castro (F.L.)	Khonghun
Castro (F.H.)	Labadlabad
Cayetano	Lacson
Cerilles	Laogan
Chavez	Lazatin
Chipeco	Leachon
Collantes	Lobregat
Cortes	Lopez (B.)
Cortuna	Lopez (M.L.)
Crisologo	Macapagal-Arroyo
Cua	Maceda
Cuaresma	Madrona
Cueva	Malapitan
Dalipe	Manalo
Datol	Mangaoang
Daza	Marcoleta
De Jesus	Marcos
de Venecia	Marquez
Defensor	Martinez
Del Mar	Matugas
Del Rosario	Mending
Deloso-Montalla	Mercado
Dimaporo (A.)	Mirasol
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Montoro
Duavit	Nieto
Durano	Noel
Dy	Nolasco
Elago	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Enverga	Olivarez

Ong (E.)
Ong (H.)
Ortega (P.)
Ortega (V.N.)
Pacquiao
Paduano
Palma
Pancho
Panganiban
Panotes
Papandayan
Pichay
Pico
Pineda
Primicias-Agabas
Radaza
Ramirez-Sato
Revilla
Roa-Puno
Robes
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Sangcopan
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
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Silverio
Suansing (E.)
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Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tejada
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Tinio
Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velasco

Vergara
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarin
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 206 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 7005.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE
JOINT RESOLUTION**
(Continuation)

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

3. House Bill No. 7878, entitled: “AN ACT ENHANCING PUBLIC SAFETY AT THE LOCAL LEVEL BY ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING A DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY IN EVERY PROVINCE, CITY AND MUNICIPALITY”;

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
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Acosta-Alba
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao

Aggabao	de Venecia
Albano	Defensor
Almario	Del Mar
Almonte	Del Rosario
Alonte	Deloso-Montalla
Alvarez (F.)	Dimaporo (A.)
Alvarez (M.)	Dimaporo (M.K.)
Amatong	Duavit
Andaya	Durano
Antonio	Dy
Aquino-Magsaysay	Elago
Aragones	Enverga
Arcillas	Ermita-Buhain
Arenas	Escudero
Atienza	Espina
Bag-ao	Espino
Banal	Estrella
Barbers	Evardone
Bataoil	Ferrer (J.)
Bautista-Bandigan	Ferriol-Pascual
Belaro	Floirendo
Belmonte (F.)	Flores
Belmonte (J.C.)	Fortuno
Belmonte (R.)	Garbin
Benitez	Garcia (J.E.)
Bernos	Garcia-Albano
Bertiz	Garin (R.)
Biazon	Garin (S.)
Billones	Gasataya
Bondoc	Geron
Bordado	Go (A.C.)
Bravo (A.)	Go (M.)
Bulut-Begtang	Gonzales (A.P.)
Calderon	Gonzales (A.D.)
Calixto-Rubiano	Gonzalez
Caminero	Gullas
Campos	Hernandez (F.)
Canama	Hernandez (P.)
Cari	Herrera-Dy
Casilao	Hofer
Castelo	Javier
Castro (F.L.)	Khonghun
Castro (F.H.)	Labadlabad
Cayetano	Lacson
Cerilles	Laogan
Chavez	Lazatin
Chipeco	Leachon
Collantes	Lobregat
Cortes	Lopez (B.)
Cortuna	Lopez (M.L.)
Crisologo	Macapagal-Arroyo
Cua	Maceda
Cuaresma	Madrona
Cueva	Malapitan
Dalipe	Manalo
Datol	Mangaoang
Daza	Marcoleta
De Jesus	Marcos

Marquez
 Martinez
 Matugas
 Mending
 Mendoza
 Mercado
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 Montoro
 Nieto
 Noel
 Nolasco
 Nuñez-Malanyaon
 Olivarez
 Ong (E.)
 Ong (H.)
 Ortega (P.)
 Ortega (V.N.)
 Pacquiao
 Paduano
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 Panganiban
 Panotes
 Papandayan
 Pichay
 Pico
 Pimentel
 Pineda
 Primicias-Agabas
 Radaza
 Ramirez-Sato
 Revilla
 Roa-Puno
 Robes
 Rocamora
 Rodriguez (I.)
 Rodriguez (M.)
 Roman
 Romualdo
 Roque
 Sacdalan
 Salo
 Salon
 Sambar
 Sandoval
 Sangcopan
 Sarmiento (C.)
 Sarmiento (E.M.)
 Savellano
 Siao
 Silverio
 Singson
 Suansing (E.)
 Suansing (H.)
 Suarez
 Tambunting
 Tan (A.)
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Teves
 Tinio
 Tolentino
 Treñas
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 Uy (R.)
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 Vargas
 Vargas-Alfonso
 Velasco
 Vergara
 Villaraza-Suarez
 Villarin
 Yap (A.)
 Yap (M.)
 Yap (V.)
 Yu
 Zamora (M.C.)
 Zamora (R.)
 Zarate
 Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 209 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 7878.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE
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(Continuation)

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

- House Bill No. 7973, entitled: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REMEDY OF FILING A PETITION FOR *CERTIORARI* TO THE SUPREME COURT TO REVIEW THE DECISIONS OF THE NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS COMMISSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 229 AND 230 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES'";

5. House Bill No. 8145, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING MARINE PROTECTED AREAS IN ALL COASTAL MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIES”;

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
Abellanosa
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Adiong
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Agarao
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Albano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Banal
Barbers
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Benitez
Bernos
Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc

Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bulut-Begtang
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Crisologo
Cua
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Datol
Daza
De Jesus
de Venecia
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
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Enverga
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espina
Espino
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Evardone
Ferrer (J.)
Ferriol-Pascual
Floirendo
Flores
Fortuno
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Garcia (J.E.)
Garcia-Albano
Garin (R.)
Garin (S.)
Gasataya
Geron

Go (A.C.)	Primicias-Agabas
Go (M.)	Quimbo
Gonzales (A.P.)	Radaza
Gonzales (A.D.)	Ramirez-Sato
Gonzalez	Revilla
Gullas	Roa-Puno
Hernandez (F.)	Robes
Hernandez (P.)	Rocamora
Herrera-Dy	Rodriguez (I.)
Hofer	Rodriguez (M.)
Javier	Roman
Khonghun	Romualdo
Labadlabad	Roque
Lacson	Sacdalán
Laogan	Salceda
Lazatin	Salo
Leachon	Salon
Lobregat	Sambar
Lopez (B.)	Sandoval
Lopez (M.L.)	Sangcopan
Macapagal-Arroyo	Sarmiento (C.)
Maceda	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Madrona	Savellano
Malapitan	Siao
Manalo	Silverio
Mangaoang	Singson
Marcoleta	Suansing (E.)
Marcos	Suansing (H.)
Marquez	Suarez
Martinez	Tambunting
Matugas	Tan (A.)
Mending	Tejada
Mendoza	Teves
Mercado	Tinio
Mirasol	Tolentino
Montoro	Treñas
Nava	Tugna
Nieto	Tupas
Noel	Ty
Nogales	Unabia
Nolasco	Ungab
Nuñez-Malanyaon	Unico
Olivarez	Uy (R.)
Ong (E.)	Uybarreta
Ong (H.)	Vargas
Ortega (P.)	Vargas-Alfonso
Ortega (V.N.)	Velasco
Pacquiao	Vergara
Paduano	Villaraza-Suarez
Palma	Villarin
Pancho	Yap (A.)
Panganiban	Yap (M.)
Panotes	Yap (V.)
Papandayan	Yu
Pichay	Zamora (M.C.)
Pico	Zamora (R.)
Pimentel	Zarate
Pineda	Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 215 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

**RATIFICATION OF CONFERENCE
COMMITTEE REPORT
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5236
AND SENATE BILL NO. 2031**

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Body considered and subsequently ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 5236 and Senate Bill No. 2031, providing for the rank classification in the Philippine National Police.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE
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Distributed on November 15, 2018:

6. House Bill No. 8322, entitled: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE MANDATORY COMPLIANCE BY ALL MOTORCYCLE RIDERS AND OPERATORS TO AUTOMATICALLY TURN ON AND RIDE WITH THEIR HEADLIGHTS ON AT ALL HOURS OF THE DAY AND NIGHT ON ALL ROADS";
7. House Bill No. 8368, entitled: "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE REGULATION OF EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGN NATIONALS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 40, 41 AND 42 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES'";

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
Abellanos
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Acop
Acosta-Alba
Adiong
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Albano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Banal
Barbers
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Benitez
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Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
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Bondoc
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Bravo (A.)
Bulut-Begtang
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castelo

Castro (F.L.)	Khonghun
Castro (F.H.)	Labadlabad
Cayetano	Lacson
Cerilles	Laogan
Chavez	Lazatin
Chipeco	Leachon
Collantes	Lobregat
Cortes	Lopez (B.)
Cortuna	Lopez (M.L.)
Crisologo	Macapagal-Arroyo
Cua	Maceda
Cuaresma	Madrona
Cueva	Malapitan
Dalipe	Manalo
Datol	Mangaoang
Daza	Marcoleta
De Jesus	Marcos
de Venecia	Marquez
Defensor	Martinez
Del Mar	Matugas
Del Rosario	Mending
Deloso-Montalla	Mendoza
Dimaporo (A.)	Mercado
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Mirasol
Duavit	Montoro
Durano	Nava
Dy	Nieto
Elago	Noel
Enverga	Nogralas
Ermita-Buhain	Nolasco
Escudero	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Espina	Olivarez
Espino	Ong (E.)
Estrella	Ong (H.)
Evardone	Ortega (P.)
Ferrer (J.)	Ortega (V.N.)
Ferriol-Pascual	Pacquiao
Floirendo	Paduano
Flores	Palma
Fortuno	Pancho
Garbin	Panganiban
Garcia (J.E.)	Panotes
Garcia-Albano	Papandayan
Garin (R.)	Pichay
Garin (S.)	Pico
Gasataya	Pimentel
Geron	Pineda
Go (A.C.)	Primicias-Agabas
Go (M.)	Quimbo
Gonzales (A.P.)	Radaza
Gonzales (A.D.)	Ramirez-Sato
Gonzalez	Revilla
Gullas	Roa-Puno
Hernandez (F.)	Robes
Hernandez (P.)	Rocamora
Herrera-Dy	Rodriguez (I.)
Hofer	Rodriguez (M.)
Javier	Roman

Romualdo
Roque
Sacdalan
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Sangcopan
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
Siao
Silverio
Singson
Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)
Suarez
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Tan (A.)
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Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velasco
Vergara
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarin
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 215 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Marcoleta acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Deputy Speaker Arbison.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS/HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION (Continuation)

Distributed on November 14, 2018:

8. House Bill No. 8370, entitled: “AN ACT REQUIRING STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT A LAND USE DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN THAT SHALL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF DORMITORIES FOR STUDENTS AND HOUSING SITES FOR EMPLOYEES”;

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

9. House Bill No. 8378, entitled: “AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AND PENALIZE WIRE TAPPING AND OTHER RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF COMMUNICATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'”;

Distributed on November 14, 2018:

10. House Bill No. 8380, entitled: “AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO HANS GUENTER SCHOOF”; and
11. House Bill No. 8381, entitled: “AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MARGARITA MELIAN ORTIGAS.”

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made:

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abayon
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Aragones
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Biazon
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
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Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Crisologo
Cua
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Datul
Daza
De Jesus
de Venecia
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Duavit
Durano
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Enverga
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espina
Espino
Estrella
Evardone
Ferrer (J.)
Ferriol-Pascual
Floirendo
Flores
Fortuno
Garbin
Garcia (J.E.)
Garcia-Albano
Garin (R.)
Garin (S.)
Gasataya
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Go (A.C.)
Go (M.)
Gonzales (A.P.)
Gonzales (A.D.)
Gonzalez
Gullas
Hernandez (F.)
Hernandez (P.)
Herrera-Dy
Hofer
Javier
Khonghun
Labadlabad
Lacson
Laogan
Lazatin
Leachon
Lobregat
Lopez (B.)
Lopez (M.L.)
Macapagal-Arroyo
Maceda
Madrona

Malapitan	Savellano
Manalo	Siao
Mangaoang	Silverio
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Singson
Marcoleta	Suansing (E.)
Marcos	Suansing (H.)
Marquez	Suarez
Martinez	Tambunting
Matugas	Tan (A.)
Mending	Tejada
Mendoza	Teves
Mercado	Tinio
Mirasol	Tolentino
Montoro	Treñas
Nava	Tugna
Nieto	Tupas
Noel	Ty
Nogralles	Unabia
Nolasco	Ungab
Nuñez-Malanyaon	Unico
Olivarez	Uy (R.)
Ong (E.)	Uybarreta
Ong (H.)	Vargas
Ortega (P.)	Vargas-Alfonso
Ortega (V.N.)	Velasco
Pacquiao	Vergara
Paduano	Villaraza-Suarez
Palma	Villarin
Pancho	Yap (A.)
Panganiban	Yap (M.)
Panotes	Yap (V.)
Papandayan	Yu
Pichay	Zamora (M.C.)
Pico	Zamora (R.)
Pimentel	Zarate
Pineda	Zubiri
Primicias-Agabas	
Quimbo	<i>Negative:</i>
Radaza	
Ramirez-Sato	
Revilla	None
Roa-Puno	
Robes	<i>Abstention:</i>
Rocamora	
Rodriguez (I.)	
Rodriguez (M.)	None
Roman	
Romualdo	
Roque	
Sacdalan	
Salceda	
Salo	
Salon	
Sambar	
Sandoval	
Sangcopan	
Sarmiento (C.)	
Sarmiento (E.M.)	

With 216 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

The day being a Monday, on motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter recognized Rep. Florida “Rida” P. Robes for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROBES

Representative Robes rose to address the prevailing water woes in her district of San Jose del Monte (SJDM) City. Adverting to a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entered into by the Metropolitan Waterworks and Sewerage System (MWSS), the Provincial Government of Bulacan, the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA), and the San Jose del Monte Water District to grant additional water supply for SJDM City, Representative Robes expressed concern about the continuing water supply demand and requirements of various National Housing Authority (NHA) housing projects in her district as well as of the future relocation and resettlement projects of the Provincial Government of Bulacan.

As she commended incumbent NHA General Manager Marcelino P. Escalada Jr., Representative Robes related that ongoing water utility services have already been provided to legitimate housing beneficiaries and a Water Treatment Plant No. 3 (WTP-3) facility has already been constructed but is still nonoperational due to MWSS' inaction. She then appealed to her colleagues to call upon the MWSS to immediately act on its contractual obligation to provide additional raw water allocation to the City in order to end the brunt of water shortage therein.

On motion of Representative Palma, the Chair thereafter recognized Rep. Anthony M. Bravo, PhD for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BRAVO (A.)

Representative Bravo first acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of officers from the Office of the Legislative Affairs of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP); and then narrated the details of the recent crash landing of a Philippine Air Force (PAF) helicopter where he, as a military reservist, and former House Secretary General Cesar S. Pareja were among the passengers enroute to a military activity in Tarlac.

He thanked those who helped him during the accident and extended messages of concern and support; and asked for prayers for the aircraft crew who suffered more serious injuries. He said that it was through the accident that he received God's message that he still had a bigger mission to fulfill; and committed to continue to advocate for poverty

alleviation by strengthening cooperatives and addressing the plight of marginalized sectors.

Saying that the incident was the third accident involving PAF helicopters, Representative Bravo then asked (1) the House to fund a genuine AFP modernization program which includes personnel capacity building as well as the upgrading and maintenance of facilities and equipment; and (2) the Executive to craft a policy to address the tedious process of procuring military assets. He then showed an audiovisual presentation of AFP concerns that needed legislative attention.

Upon Representative Marcoleta's motion, the Chair then recognized Rep. Aniceto "John" D. Bertiz III for a manifestation.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE BERTIZ

Representative Bertiz said that he was joining thousands of Filipinos worldwide, including overseas Filipino workers (OFWs), in wishing for the well-being of Representative Bravo (A.). He informed the Body of how the latter had been educating OFWs about the benefits of cooperatives and helping them to form cooperatives. He also congratulated his colleague for displaying courage during the accident.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TY

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, the Chair recognized Rep. Arnel U. Ty who sought clarification on the cause of the accident and expressed concern about the risks soldiers face when they use such helicopters for rescue operations.

He thereafter discussed with Representative Bravo (A.) the needed support that should be provided to the military and the police to ensure that their equipment are up to par and in good working condition.

In ending his interpellation, Representative Ty expressed his support to investigate the proper spending and procurement of military equipment including that of the other government agencies in order to maximize government resources.

REFERRAL OF THE PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BRAVO (A.)

On motion of Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr., there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Bravo's privilege speech to the Committee on Rules for its proper action.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair suspended the session at 4:43 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:47 p.m.

REFERRAL OF THE PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROBES

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Robes' privilege speech to the Committee on Rules.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Representative Defensor acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Deputy Speaker Arbison.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

There being no other Member who wished to avail of the Privilege Hour, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

SENATE TRANSMITTAL OF HOUSE BILLS

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to immediately transmit to the Senate copies of the House Bills that had just been approved on Third Reading.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 934 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 8618

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 8618 contained in Committee Report No. 934 as reported out by the Committee on Ways and Means.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 141, 142 AND 143 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997.”

Representative Defensor stated that the parliamentary status was that the Bill was in the period of sponsorship and debate; and on his motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor the measure.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair suspended the session at 4:50 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:50 p.m.

TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE

There being no Member who wished to further interpellate the Sponsor, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate.

TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no Committee and individual amendments, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 8618

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body approved House Bill No. 8618 on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 951 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 8645

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 8645 contained in Committee Report No. 951 as reported out by the Committee on Ways and Means.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 22, 24, 25, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 34, 37, 38, 39, 42, 51, 52, 54, 56, 57, 73, 108, 121, 122, 123, 174, 176, 179, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 194, 195, 196,

197, 198, AND 199; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 127, 175, 177, 178, 180, 192, AND 193; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House.

On motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair recognized Representative Suansing (E.), Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, for her sponsorship speech.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE SUANSING (E.)

Representative Suansing said that the Bill covers the fourth package of the Duterte Administration’s comprehensive tax reform program and complements the recently-passed Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Act or Republic Act No. 10963 by making passive income taxes and financial intermediary taxes simpler, fairer, and more efficient.

She pointed out that interests, dividends, and capital gains will be levied with a unified income tax rate; pre-need, pension, and life insurance premiums will be levied a uniform tax rate; various nuisance documentary stamp taxes will be removed; and passive income rates will be reduced by half. She stressed that ultimately, all these will allow the poor and the middle class to enjoy a net gain; improve equity among investors and savers; and minimize arbitrage opportunities.

Thereupon, Representative Suansing stressed that while the country’s current tax system on financial sectors imposes difficult and costly administration and compliance, House Bill No. 8645 will promote capital market development and tax competitiveness within the context of financial globalization, increased capital mobility, and financial inclusion.

She then urged the Body to support the passage of the Bill and view the taxation of the financial system as an ingredient that could fuel and direct the movement of capital rightly to where it is most

needed, so that higher, sustainable, and more inclusive growth can be achieved. She concluded that financial sector taxation is indeed ripe for reform.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 8645

Upon motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 8645.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair suspended the session at 5:05 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:12 p.m.

ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members of the Majority to the Committee on Oversight:

(as Vice Chairpersons)

Rep. Rodante D. Marcoleta
Rep. Victoria Isabel G. Noel
Rep. Cristina “Chiqui” Roa-Puno
Rep. Alexandria P. Gonzales

(as Members)

Rep. Michael L. Romero, PhD
Rep. Ron P. Salo
Rep. Vini Nola A. Ortega
Rep. Deogracias Victor “DV” B. Savellano
Rep. Rosanna “Ria” Vergara
Rep. Jose Enrique “Joet” S. Garcia III
Rep. Marlyn B. Alonte
Rep. Wilter “Sharky” Wee Palma II
Rep. Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas
Rep. Lawrence H. Fortun
Rep. Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy
Rep. Florida “Rida” P. Robes
Rep. Johnny Ty Pimentel
Rep. Oscar “Richard” S. Garin Jr.
Rep. Ann K. Hofer
Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr.
Rep. Rogelio J. Espina, MD

ELECTION OF MINORITY MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT

On motion of Minority Leader Danilo E. Suarez, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members of the Minority to the Committee on Oversight:

(as Members)

Rep. Juliet Marie D. Ferrer
Rep. Peter John D. Calderon
Rep. Strike B. Revilla

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE SALON AS DEPUTY MINORITY LEADER

On subsequent motion of Minority Leader Suarez, there being no objection, the Body elected Rep. Orestes T. Salon as Deputy Minority Leader.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair suspended the session to allow the AFP representatives on the floor to award certificates of recognition and marksmanship badges to Representatives Bravo (A.) and Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, and former House Secretary General Atty. Cesar Strait Pareja, who were not able to receive them during the AFP Legislative Stakeholders Engagement last November 22 due to unforeseen events.

It was 5:15 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:18 p.m.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 923 ON RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of Resolution of Both Houses (R.B.H.) No. 15 contained in Committee Report No. 923 as reported out by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the measure, to wit:

“RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES PROPOSING THE REVISION OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES.”

Representative Defensor stated that the parliamentary status was that the measure was in the period of sponsorship and debate, and on his motion, the Chair recognized Representative Palma for his sponsorship of the measure and Rep. Rosanna “Ria” Vergara for her interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE VERGARA

To Representative Vergara’s concerns, the Sponsor said that 1) she may introduce amendments at the appropriate time, particularly on Section [16] 6,* Article II on the separation of Church and State; 2) the inclusion in Section 1, Article III of a provision on the natural right of an individual to protect himself, should be prioritized and institutionalized even if it is not necessarily the highest priority of the State; and 3) the Bill of Duties proposes to institutionalize the requirement that citizens perform their corresponding duties to the State.

The two Members thereafter shared their opinions on the salient features of the draft Federal Constitution in terms of a) the two-party structure which will only allow registered parties to participate in the election; b) the ticket vote for the president and vice president and how it will work; and c) the requirement for candidates seeking national positions to be college degree holders which contradicts a provision in the same draft on giving everyone equal access to serve in public office.**

Representative Vergara then asked for the rationale for decreasing the number of Senators and Congressmen but increasing the number of Supreme Court justices, in the proposed Congressional Electoral Tribunal. Representative Palma explained that the tribunal had a judicial function and the Members of Congress who were members of the same needed to give more time to their legislative duties.

MOTION TO ADJOURN OF REPRESENTATIVE TY

Representative Ty, whom the Chair recognized upon Representative Marcoleta’s motion, thereafter said that the Body was tackling a very important measure and moved to adjourn the session for lack of quorum.

* See *Journal No. 35* of November 28, 2018 for the amendment on this portion of *Journal No. 33*.

** See Appendix “A” for the amendment on this portion of *Journal No. 33*.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair declared a recess at 6:09 p.m. upon Representative Marcoleta's motion.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:09 p.m.

WITHDRAWAL OF REPRESENTATIVE TY'S MOTION

Thereupon, Representative Ty withdrew his motion to adjourn.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the Committee Reports which were referred to the appropriate Committees:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Justice and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 952), re H.B. No. 8646, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING NINE (9) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF TACURONG AND IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ISULAN, PROVINCE OF SULTAN KUDARAT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(M) OF BATA PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 6085 and 6086

Sponsors: Representatives Leachon, Zamora (M.C.), Veloso and Mangudadatu (S.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Revision of Laws (Committee Report No. 953), re H.B. No. 8648, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 17 OF EVERY YEAR AS JAMES LEONARD TAGLE GORDON DAY, A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF OLONGAPO AND IN THE SUBIC BAY FREEPORT ZONE, IN RECOGNITION OF THE ACHIEVEMENTS, CONTRIBUTIONS AND HEROISM OF JAMES LEONARD TAGLE GORDON”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 7212

Sponsors: Representatives Primicias-Agabas and Hernandez (F.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Transportation (Committee Report No. 954), re H.B. No. 8649, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING CLARK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT LOCATED IN ANGELES CITY, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA AS DIOSDADO MACAPAGAL INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2274 and 8289

Sponsors: Representatives Sarmiento (C.), Gonzales (A.D.) and Marcoleta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

DESIGNATION OF HOUSE CONFEREES ON HOUSE BILL NO. 8417 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1439

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Body designated the following Members to the Conference Committee to reconcile the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 8417 and Senate Bill No. 1439, establishing the Energy Virtual One-Stop Shop: Reps. Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, Carlos Roman L. Uybarreta, Rodel M. Batocabe, Jose Enrique “Joet” S. Garcia III, and Orestes T. Salon.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Chair subsequently declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, November 27, 2018.

It was 6:11 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) **MR. DANTE ROBERTO P. MALING**
Acting Secretary General

Approved on November 27, 2018.

Congress of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE*Journal No. 33***Monday, November 26, 2018**

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

HERRERA-DY	ONG (E.)	SILVERIO
HOFER	ONG (H.)	* SINGSON
*** JALOSJOS	ORTEGA (P.)	*** SUANSING (E.)
JAVIER	ORTEGA (V.N.)	SUANSING (H.)
**** KHO	PACQUIAO	SUAREZ
KHONGHUN	PADUANO	* SY-ALVARADO
LABADLABAD	PALMA	TAMBUNTING
* LACSON	PANCHO	*** TAN (A.)
** LAGMAN	PANGANIBAN	***** TAN (M.)
*** LANETE	PANOTES	***** TAN (S.)
LAOGAN	PAPANDAYAN	TEJADA
LAZATIN	PICHAY	TEVES
LEACHON	PICO	***** TIANGCO
**** LEE	* PIMENTEL	***** TING
**** LIMKAICHONG	PINEDA	TINIO
LOBREGAT	* PLAZA	TOLENTINO
LOPEZ (B.)	PRIMICIAS-AGABAS	TREÑAS
* LOPEZ (C.)	* QUIMBO	TUGNA
LOPEZ (M.L.)	RADAZA	TUPAS
***** LOYOLA	RAMIREZ-SATO	TY
MACAPAGAL-ARROYO	**** RAMOS	**** UMALI
MACEDA	**** RELAMPAGOS	UNABIA
MADRONA	REVILLA	UNGAB
MALAPITAN	ROA-PUNO	UNICO
MANALO	ROBES	**** UY (J.)
** MANGAOANG	ROCAMORA	UY (R.)
* MANGUDADATU (S.)	RODRIGUEZ (I.)	UYBARRETA
* MANGUDADATU (Z.)	* RODRIGUEZ (M.)	VARGAS
MARCOLETA	*** ROMAN	VARGAS-ALFONSO
MARCOS	***** ROMERO	**** VELARDE
**** MARIÑO	** ROMUALDEZ	VELASCO
MARQUEZ	ROMUALDO	** VELASCO-CATERA
MARTINEZ	ROQUE	**** VELOSO
MATUGAS	SACDALAN	VERGARA
**** MELLANA	***** SAGARBARRIA	***** VILLAFUERTE
*** MENDING	* SAHALI	** VILLANUEVA
* MENDOZA	* SALCEDA	VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
MERCADO	*** SALIMBANGON	* VILLARICA
MIRASOL	SALO	*** VILLARIN
MONTORO	SALON	** VIOLAGO
* NAVA	* SAMBAR	YAP (A.)
NIETO	*** SANDOVAL	YAP (M.)
NOEL	SANGCOPAN	YAP (V.)
* NOGRALES	***** SANTOS-RECTO	YU
NOLASCO	SARMIENTO (C.)	ZAMORA (M.C.)
NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	SARMIENTO (E.M.)	ZAMORA (R.)
***** OAMINAL	SAVELLANO	ZARATE
***** OCAMPO	* SEMA	ZUBIRI
OLIVAREZ	SIAO	

* Appeared after the 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

(Subject to correction/s that may appear in the Annual Journal)

**REP. ROSANNA “RIA” VERGARA’S AMENDMENT TO *JOURNAL NO. 33*
AS MANIFESTED DURING THE NOVEMBER 28, 2018 PLENARY SESSION
(See *Journal No. 35*)**

On page 25, second column, under the heading “INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE VERGARA,” first paragraph to change “Section 16, Article II” to SECTION 6, ARTICLE II; and to change the second paragraph with the following text:

Representative Vergara discussed her views on certain provisions in the proposed Federal Constitution. First, she asked for clarification on the vision of the proponents with respect to the two-party system, considering the absence of discernable differences between the parties’ advocacies as they exist now. She asked how this system can prevent fringe parties and those with extremist ideologies from becoming dominant parties. Second, she asked how the proponents address the dilution of the check and balance mechanism if the ticket vote for the President and Vice President is adopted. Third, she expressed her vehement objection to the requirement that the President, Vice President, Senators, and Members of the House of Representatives be college degree holders. This requirement disenfranchises more than 60% of the population. She explained that none of the things she learned in college are relevant to her current legislative work. She also cited examples of the pillars of US democracy and leading business tycoons who have achieved tremendous success and have effectively led their organizations even when they were college drop-outs or simply did not obtain college degrees. She expressed that maybe in a decade or so, when the people will have had better access to quality education, can Congress even begin to contemplate inserting this requirement.

On the first point, the Sponsor explained that the parties will be allowed to evolve, and parties who are illegal per se will not be allowed to register and run. However, if people choose fringe parties, then there is little that can be done because that is the essence of a democracy. Representative Vergara expressed her dissent on this point saying that this is a slippery slope, and therefore, dangerous. Second, the Sponsor reiterated that the reason for the ticket vote is that it complements the two-party system where people vote for party agenda and not personalities. Lastly, the Sponsor explained that the rationale for the college degree requirement is to elevate the quality of work of public servants. Representative Vergara, however, disputed this and said that quality work and leadership do not necessarily follow even when the public servant has a college degree.