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CALL TO ORDER

At 4:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Fredenil “Fred” H. Castro called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

Pursuant to Section 73, Rule XI of the amended Provisional Rules of the House, the Vides Philippines Choir led the singing of the National Anthem while the Virlian Foundation Choir sang the doxology.

ROLL CALL

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr., there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

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| Abaya | Barzaga |
| Abayon | Bataoil |
| Abellanosa | Batocabe |
| Abu | Bautista-Bandigan |
| Abueg | Belaro |
| Acharon | Belmonte (F.) |
| Acop | Belmonte (J.C.) |
| Acosta-Alba | Belmonte (R.) |
| Advincula | Bernos |
| Agarao | Billones |
| Aggabao | Bolilia |
| Aglipay-Villar | Bondoc |
| Albano | Bordado |
| Alejano | Bravo (A.) |
| Almario | Bravo (M.V.) |
| Almonte | Brosas |
| Alonte | Bulut-Begtang |
| Alvarez (F.) | Cagas |
| Alvarez (P.) | Calderon |
| Amatong | Calixto-Rubiano |
| Andaya | Caminero |
| Angara-Castillo | Campos |
| Antonio | Canama |
| Aquino-Magsaysay | Casilao |
| Aragones | Castelo |
| Arcillas | Castro (F.L.) |
| Arenas | Castro (F.H.) |
| Atienza | Cayetano |
| Bag-ao | Celeste |
| Bagatsing | Cerilles |
| Banal | Chavez |
| Barbers | Chipeco |
| | Collantes |
| | Cortes |
| | Cortuna |
| | Cosalan |
| | Crisologo |
| | Cuaresma |
| | Dalipe |
| | Datol |
| | Daza |
| | De Jesus |
| | De Vera |
| | Defensor |
| | Del Mar |
| | Del Rosario |
| | Deloso-Montalla |
| | Dimaporo (A.) |
| | Dimaporo (M.K.) |
| | Durano |
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Elago	Marquez
Enverga	Martinez
Eriguel	Matugas
Ermita-Buhain	Mellana
Escudero	Mendoza
Espina	Mercado
Espino	Mirasol
Estrella	Montoro
Evardone	Nava
Fariñas	Nieto
Fernando	Noel
Ferrer (L.)	Nogralas (K.A.)
Floirendo	Nolasco
Fortun	Oaminal
Fortuno	Ocampo
Fuentebella	Olivarez
Garbin	Ong (E.)
Garcia (G.)	Ong (H.)
Garin (S.)	Ortega (P.)
Gasataya	Ortega (V.N.)
Gatchalian	Pacquiao
Geron	Paduano
Go (A.C.)	Palma
Go (M.)	Pancho
Gonzaga	Panganiban
Gonzales (A.P.)	Panotes
Gonzales (A.D.)	Papandayan
Gonzalez	Pichay
Gullas	Pimentel
Herrera-Dy	Pineda
Hofer	Primicias-Agabas
Jalosjos	Radaza
Kho	Ramirez-Sato
Khonghun	Ramos
Labadlabad	Relampagos
Lacson	Revilla
Lagman	Roa-Puno
Lanete	Rocamora
Lazatin	Rodriguez (I.)
Leachon	Romualdez
Limkaichong	Romualdo
Lobregat	Roque (R.)
Lopez (B.)	Sacdalan
Lopez (C.)	Sagarbarria
Lopez (M.L.)	Salimbangon
Loyola	Salo
Macapagal-Arroyo	Salon
Maceda	Sandoval
Madrona	Santos-Recto
Malapitan	Sarmiento (C.)
Manalo	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Mangaoang	Savellano
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Sema
Marcoleta	Siao
Marcos	Silverio
Mariño	Singson

Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)
Suarez
Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tan (M.)
Teves
Tiangco
Ting
Tinio
Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Velarde
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villafuerte
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarica
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yu
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

With 232 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNALS

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body approved Journals No. 35 and 36, dated October 10 and 11, 2017, respectively.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Defensor acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Speaker Pantaleon D. Alvarez and Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Defensor, 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 Message from the President, Messages from the Senate, Communications, and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 6606, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE SIARGAO DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE INTO A LEVEL 3 GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE SIARGAO ISLANDS MEDICAL CENTER”

By Representatives Matugas and Alvarez (P.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6609, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING BENEFITS AND PROGRAMS TO STRENGTHEN, PROMOTE, AND DEVELOP THE PHILIPPINE STARTUP ECOSYSTEM”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 6610, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING AS AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE WHEN THE VICTIM OF A CRIME IS A SENIOR CITIZEN AND MITIGATING CIRCUMSTANCE WHEN THE OFFENDER IS A SENIOR CITIZEN AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ACT NO. 3815 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE”

By Representatives Datol, Daza and De Vera

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 6611, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 17 AS AN OFFICIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE WHOLE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE VICTIMS OF THE LANDSLIDE IN BARANGAY GUINSAUGON, MUNICIPALITY OF ST. BERNARD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS THE GUINSAUGON DAY”

By Representative Mercado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 6612, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS IN ALL MUNICIPALITIES, ESTABLISHING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE ONE TOWN: ONE DOCTOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6614, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING MORE STRINGENT POLICY ON GRANTING INDIVIDUALS PERMIT TO CARRY FIREARMS AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6615, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 285 OF R.A. 7160 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representative Macapagal-Arroyo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6616, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY POBLACION B IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MLANG, PROVINCE OF COTABATO”

By Representative Tejada

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6622, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY TO GOVERNMENT-PAID PERSONNEL WHO HAVE RENDERED AT LEAST TWELVE CONSECUTIVE YEARS OF EFFICIENT SERVICE UNDER TEMPORARY STATUS”

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6623, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS FROM DISALLOWING STUDENTS WITH DELINQUENT TUITION FEES TO TAKE THE MID-TERM OR FINAL EXAMINATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Lopez (C.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6624, entitled:

“AN ACT ALLOWING THE CONVERSION OF A MUNICIPALITY INTO A COMPONENT CITY IN A PROVINCE THAT DOES NOT HAVE AN EXISTING COMPONENT CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 450 OF RA 7160, AS AMENDED BY RA 9009, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

By Representative Ramirez-Sato

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6626, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE ORANI DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ORANI, PROVINCE OF BATAAN INTO A GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS ANTONINO 'TONY' P. ROMAN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM FIFTY (50) TO TWO HUNDRED (200) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Roman

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6627, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES OF BARANGAY TANOD MEMBERS WHO HAVE RENDERED AT LEAST ONE YEAR OF SERVICE IN THE BARANGAY GOVERNMENT”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6628, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELING ON PRESCRIPTION AND OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUGS”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 6629, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, INSTRUMENTALITIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCs) AND PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS TO USE SECURITY WATER-MARKED PAPER IN ALL RECEIPTS AND INVOICES, PERMITS, LICENSES, CLEARANCES, OFFICIAL PAPERS OR DOCUMENTS”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 6630, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 6631, entitled:

“AN ACT TO INCLUDE PARTY-LIST REPRESENTATIVE IN THE LIST OF PUBLIC OFFICERS TO BE ELECTED UNDER THE LOCAL ABSENTEE VOTING, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7166, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS, 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SYNCHRONIZED NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS AND FOR ELECTORAL REFORMS, AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 6635, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 46 OF REPUBLIC ACT 8749, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE CLEAR AIR ACT OF 1999”

By Representative Mariño

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1408, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON MUSLIM AFFAIRS TO MEDIATE BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT AND THE ARMM TO FURTHER INCREASE THE BUDGET OF ARMM'S LINE AGENCIES”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON MUSLIM AFFAIRS

House Resolution No. 1409, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE TO ASSESS THE ADMINISTRATIVE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEPED ARMM AND DEPED CENTRAL OFFICE”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1410, entitled:

“RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE PROPOSED RULES OF PROCEDURE IN THE FILING, REVIEW AND DISCLOSURE OF, AND ACCESS TO, THE STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH (SALNs) OF MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES”

By Representatives Alvarez (P.), Fariñas, Bondoc and Umali

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1412, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES ON THE DEMISE OF BATANES CONGRESSWOMAN HENEDINA R. ABAD”

By Representative Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1414, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE JESUS IS LORD CHURCH WORLDWIDE ('JIL CHURCH') UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF BISHOP BRO. EDUARDO 'EDDIE' C. VILLANUEVA ON THE CELEBRATION OF ITS 39TH ANNIVERSARY ON OCTOBER 27, 2017”

By Representatives Villanueva, Lazatin and Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1415, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF FORMER DEPUTY SPEAKER AND REPRESENTATIVE HENEDINA RAZON ABAD OF THE LONE DISTRICT OF BATANES”

By Representatives Quimbo, Belmonte (J.C.), Abaya, Amatong, Bag-ao, Banal, Billones, Bordado, Daza, De Venecia, Del Mar, Delos-Montalla, Lagman, Limkaichong, Mariño, Ramirez-Sato, Relampagos, Santos-Recto and Sarmiento (E.M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1416, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTR), PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RAILWAYS (PNR), NORTHERN LUZON RAILWAY CORPORATION (NLRC), TO IMMEDIATELY RESTORE, REHABILITATE AND RESUME THE OPERATIONS OF RAILWAY SYSTEM FROM MANILA TO NORTHERN LUZON ROUTE”

By Representatives Bataoil, Espino, Sy-Alvarado, Pancho, Silverio, Villarica, Lazatin, Macapagal-Arroyo, Gonzales (A.D.), Yap (V.), De Venecia, Ortega (P.) and Eriguel

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Resolution No. 1417, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED MASS MIGRATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHERS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON ACCOUNT OF HIGHER COMPENSATION WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE SAME”

By Representative Vergara

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1420, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE UTILIZATION OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND (SEF) BY THE PROVINCIAL, MUNICIPAL AND CITY LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS (LSB)”

By Representative Roman

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1422, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (UP DILIMAN) COLLEGE OF LAW FOR WINNING THE 2017 NATIONAL MOOT COURT COMPETITION ON INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW (IHL) HELD AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES BGC CAMPUS FROM OCTOBER 2 TO 6, 2017”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Resolution No. 1423, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE (DND) THRU ITS SECRETARY HON. DELFIN N. LORENZANA AND THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) THRU CHIEF OF STAFF GENERAL EDUARDO AÑO FOR NEUTRALIZING TERRORIST LEADERS ISNILON HAPILON AND OMAR MAUTE”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Resolution No. 1424, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONFERRING THE CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL OF ACHIEVEMENT TO BUSINESS ICON, MR. WASHINGTON 'WASH' SYCIP”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1425, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES TO BUSINESS ICON, MR. WASHINGTON 'WASH' SYCIP”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1426, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER HOUSE COMMITTEES TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE FIFTY (50) PESOS ADDITIONAL CHARGE FOR PAPER BILLING OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES”

By Representative Garcia (G.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1427, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE APPRECIATION OF A GRATEFUL NATION TO RICARDO CARDINAL J. VIDAL, ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OF CEBU, AND THE GRIEF OF ITS PEOPLE OVER THE PASSING AWAY OF THE GOOD CARDINAL-PRIEST LAST OCTOBER 18, 2017, RECOGNIZING AND LAUDING HIS THIRTY-FIVE (35) YEARS OF SERVICE AS SPIRITUAL LEADER AND PEACEMAKER, TO CEBUANOS AND TO THE NATION”

By Representative Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1428, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF THE FIRST FEMALE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, DR. LOURDES REYNES QUISUMBING”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1429, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF MOVIE TELEVISION REVIEW AND CLASSIFICATION BOARD (MTRCB) BOARD MEMBER 'MR. EMMANUEL 'MANING' BORLAZA' ”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1430, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF VETERAN ACTOR MR. RAMON GIL 'CHINGGOY' ALONSO”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1431, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CEBU ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS RICARDO CARDINAL VIDAL”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1432, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN IMMEDIATE INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE LEGALITY OF DEPED ORDER NO. 38, SERIES OF 2017 WHICH REDUCED THE NET TAKE

HOME PAY OF THE TEACHING PERSONNEL AND OTHER EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BELOW ₱4,000”

By Representative Tinio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1433, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE RECENTLY REPORTED IMPROPER AND ALLEGEDLY ILLEGAL ACT OF STOCKS TRADING OF CERTAIN KEY OFFICIALS OF SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS) LEADING TO INVESTMENTS OPPORTUNITY LOSSES OF THE SSS TO THE PREJUDICE OF THE CORPORATION AND ITS MEMBERS, AND TO RECOMMEND APPROPRIATE LEGISLATION”

By Representative Evardone

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1434, entitled:

“RESOLUTION FOR THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED CONFLICT OF INTERESTS AND PROFITEERING OF SSS EXECUTIVES”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Joint Resolution No. 16, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Bertiz

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Joint Resolution No. 17, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alonte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Joint Resolution No. 18, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Alvarez (P.), Fariñas, Suarez and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Joint Resolution No. 19, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Yap

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

11 October 2017

SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ

House Speaker
House of Representatives
Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Dear Speaker Alvarez:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 26 (2) of the 1987 Constitution, I hereby certify to the necessity of the immediate enactment of Senate Bill No. 1592 (the proposed Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion Act), entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 24, 25, 31, 34, 51, 79, 84, 86, 89, 90, 97, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 108, 109, 112, 114, 116, 148, 149,

150, 151, 155, 171, 196, 232, 237, 249, 264 AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 148-A, 150-A, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B AND 265-A; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

to address the immediate need for tax reforms in order to achieve a simpler, fairer, and more efficient tax system characterized by lower personal income tax rates, a broader value-added tax (VAT) base, and higher excise taxes on oil products and automobiles, among others. The benefits to be derived from this tax reform measure will sustainably finance the Government’s envisioned massive investments in infrastructure to encourage economic activity and job creation, as well as increase the public budget for health, education and social programs to alleviate poverty.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) **RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**

Copy Furnished:
Sen. Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III
Senate President
The Philippine Senate
Pasay City

Sec. Adelino B. Sitoy
Head
Presidential Legislative Liaison Office
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Malacañang, Manila

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated October 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date approved the Conference Committee Report of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1466, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION OF EXPIRY DATES ON GIFT CHECKS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

and House Bill No. 6016, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE ISSUANCE, USE AND REDEMPTION OF GIFT CHECKS, GIFT CERTIFICATES AND GIFT CARDS”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated October 12, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on October 11, 2017, approved the Conference Committee Report of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1465, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FREE IRRIGATION SERVICE TO SMALL FARMERS, REVOKING FOR THE PURPOSE THE CORPORATE STATUS OF THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

and House Bill No. 5670, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING ASSISTANCE TO ALL FARMERS BY PROVIDING FREE IRRIGATION SERVICE FEE AND ALL OTHER SIMILAR OR RELATED FEES OR CHARGES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3601, AS AMENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 552 AND PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1702, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL IRRIGATION ADMINISTRATION ACT, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8435, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES MODERNIZATION ACT OF 1997, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated August 31, 2017 of Allan S. Borrromeo, Regional Director, Regional Office XI, Department of Public Works and Highways, furnishing the House of Representatives with the Monthly Progress Status Reports of projects implemented by their office for the month of August 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

Letter dated 9 September 2017 of Niño Raymond B. Alvina, OIC Executive Director, Bureau of Local Government Finance, Department of Finance, furnishing the House of Representatives with the 2017 Quarterly Reports on Income and Expenditures of Local Government Units (LGUs) covering the period of Q1 and Q2.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 14 September 2017 of Diwa C. Guinigundo, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, submitting the data/Report on outstanding Philippine external debt as of 30 June 2017 which were noted by the Monetary Board on even date.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 14 September 2017 of Diwa C. Guinigundo, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, furnishing the House of Representatives with a Report on Economic and Financial Developments in the Philippines, Second Quarter 2017, pursuant to Section 39(a), Chapter I, Article V of Republic Act No. 7653.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

2016 Accomplishment Report of the Department of Foreign Affairs per letter dated 15 September 2017 of Denis Yap Lepatan, Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy Planning and Coordination, Department of Foreign Affairs.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Letter dated September 19, 2017 of Lydia S. Adoremos, Director III, Officer-in-Charge, Office of the Regional Director, Regional Office No. V, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with the CY 2016 Annual Audit Reports on the following Water Districts in Region V:

1. Baras Water District, Baras, Catanduanes;
2. Bato Water District, Bato, Catanduanes;
3. Iriga City Water District, Rufino Llagas St., San Roque, Iriga City;

4. Masbate-Mobo Water District, Masbate City;
5. Nabua Water District, Nabua, Camarines Sur; and
6. Pili Water District, Pili, Camarines Sur.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated September 20, 2017 of Michael R. Bacani, OIC-Regional Director, Regional Office No. I, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with the CY 2016 Annual Audit Reports, Management Letter, Narrative Report on the following Water Districts in Region I:

1. Ilocos Norte Water District, Laoag City;
2. Batac Water District, Batac, Ilocos Norte;
3. Dingras Water District, Dingras, Ilocos Norte;
4. Nueva Era Water District, Nueva Era, Ilocos Norte;
5. Pagudpud Water District, Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte;
6. Bangui Water District, Bangui, Ilocos Norte;
7. San Nicolas Water District, San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte;
8. Sarrat Water District, Sarrat, Ilocos Norte;
9. Metro Vigan Water District, Vigan City, Ilocos Sur;
10. Sinait Water District, Sinait, Ilocos Sur;
11. Santa Water District, Santa, Ilocos Sur;
12. Narvacan Water District, Narvacan, Ilocos Sur;
13. Candon City Water District, Candon City, Ilocos Sur;
14. Sta. Lucia Water District, Sta. Lucia, Ilocos Sur;
15. Tagudin Water District, Tagudin, Ilocos Sur;
16. Metro San Fernando Water District, City of San Fernando, La Union;
17. Balaoan Water District, Balaoan, La Union;
18. Naguilian Water District, Naguilian, La Union;
19. Rosario Water District, Rosario, La Union;
20. Poro Point Management Corporation, City of San Fernando, La Union;
21. Alaminos City Water District, Alaminos, Pangasinan;
22. Bani Water District, Bani, Pangasinan;
23. Basista Water District, Basista, Pangasinan;
24. Bayambang Water District, Bayambang, Pangasinan;
25. Binmaley Water District, Binmaley, Pangasinan;
26. Bugallon Water District, Bugallon, Pangasinan;
27. Dagupan City Water District, Dagupan City, Pangasinan;
28. Dasol Water District, Dasol, Pangasinan;
29. Lingayen Water District, Lingayen, Pangasinan;
30. San Carlos City Water District, San Carlos City, Pangasinan;
31. Urbiztondo Water District, Urbiztondo, Pangasinan;
32. Asingan Water District, Asingan, Pangasinan;
33. Manaoag Water District, Manaoag, Pangasinan;
34. Mangaldan Water District, Mangaldan, Pangasinan;
35. Mapandan Water District, Mapandan, Pangasinan;
36. Pozorrubio Water District, Pozorrubio, Pangasinan;
37. San Manuel Water District, San Manuel, Pangasinan;

38. Sto. Tomas Water District, Sto. Tomas, Pangasinan;

39. Binalonan Water District, Binalonan, Pangasinan;

40. Alcala Water District, Alcala, Pangasinan;

41. Balungao Water District, Balungao, Pangasinan;

42. Villasis Water District, Villasis, Pangasinan;

43. Metro Tayug Water District, Tayug, Pangasinan;

44. Rosales Water District, Rosales, Pangasinan;

45. San Nicolas Water District, San Nicolas, Pangasinan;

46. San Quintin Water District, San Quintin, Pangasinan;

47. Santa Maria Water District, Sta. Maria, Pangasinan;

48. Umingan Water District, Umingan, Pangasinan; and

49. Urdaneta City Water District, Urdaneta City, Pangasinan.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 456), re H.B. No. 6607, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE LAWA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY LAPUAN, MUNICIPALITY OF DON MARCELINO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE LAWA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS LUISA JOYCE MALLARI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5144

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.) and Bautista-Bandigan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 457), re H.B. No. 6608, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE FISHING VILLAGE COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY MANA, MUNICIPALITY OF MALITA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE FISHING VILLAGE COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BENJAMIN VELASCO BAUTISTA SR. NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5142

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.) and Bautista-Bandigan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Veterans Affairs and Welfare (Committee Report No. 458), re H.R. No. 1411, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, ON BEHALF OF THE VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II, TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS FOR THE PASSAGE OF THE MEASURE AUTHORIZING THE CONFERMENT OF THE CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL TO THE FILIPINO VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II COLLECTIVELY IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR DEDICATED SERVICE DURING WORLD WAR II”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 608

Sponsor: Representative Bataoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Revision of Laws (Committee Report No. 459), re H.B. No. 6613, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 20 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE IN HONOR OF DOÑA JOSEFA LLANES ESCODA, THE WORLD WAR II HEROINE AND FOUNDER OF THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND CALLING IT 'DOÑA JOSEFA LLANES ESCODA DAY' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2028

Sponsors: Representatives Primicias-Agabas and Marcos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism (Committee Report No. 460), re H.R. No. 1418, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM (DOT), THROUGH THE TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY (TIEZA), TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC RESTROOMS ALONG THE EASTERN AND WESTERN NAUTICAL HIGHWAYS OF THE PHILIPPINES”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 951

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez and Sandoval

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 461), re H.R. No. 243, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT RODRIGO R. DUTERTE TO ISSUE AN EXECUTIVE ORDER AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 248 DATED MAY 29, 1995, EXECUTIVE ORDER 248-A DATED AUGUST 14, 1995 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 298

DATED MARCH 23, 2004 TO IMPLEMENT AN INCREASE IN TRAVEL ALLOWANCES FOR LOCAL TRAVELS OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PERSONNEL”

recommending its adoption

Sponsors: Representatives Nograles (K.A.) and De Vera

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 462), re H.B. No. 6617, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE COMPREHENSIVE POLICY ON HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) AND ACQUIRED IMMUNE DEFICIENCY SYNDROME (AIDS) PREVENTION, TREATMENT, CARE AND SUPPORT, AND ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL HIV AND AIDS PLAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8504, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE AIDS PREVENTION AND CONTROL ACT OF 1998' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 53, 253, 538, 581, 663, 1106, 1804, 1973, 2023, 2511, 2674, 3146, 3161, 3536, 3978, 4276 and 5145

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Bag-ao, Roque (H.) and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 463), re H.B. No. 6618, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A ONE HUNDRED (100)-BED CAPACITY HOSPITAL IN BANGAY HABAY 2 IN THE CITY OF BACOOR, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE BACOOR DISTRICT HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1678

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Revilla and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 464), re H.B. No. 6619, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF BAGUIO GENERAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CENTER FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) TO EIGHT HUNDRED (800) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5442

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Go (M.) and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 465), re H.B. No. 6620, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF ST. ANTHONY MOTHER AND CHILD HOSPITAL IN CEBU CITY, FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100), AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4824

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Abellanosa and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 466), re H.B. No. 6621, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE ADELA SERRA TY MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER IN TANDAG CITY, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO ONE

THOUSAND (1,000) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4679

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Pichay, Pimentel and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 467), re H.B. 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”

recommending its approval with amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Cuaresma and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 468), re H.B. No. 639, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA ELENA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE SANTA ELENA DISTRICT HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval with amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Unico, Garbin and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 469), re H.B. No. 1955, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF RIZAL MEDICAL CENTER IN PASIG CITY FROM THREE HUNDRED (300) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Eusebio and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 470), re H.B. No. 1574, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SUPER HEALTH CENTER AND LYING-IN CLINIC IN BARANGAY SAN AGUSTIN, QUEZON CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval with amendments

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Vargas and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education (Committee Report No. 471), re H.R. No. 1419, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN CARLOS (USC)-SCHOOL OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE IN CEBU CITY AND ITS BAR TOPNOTCHERS AND PASSERS FOR EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE IN THE 2016 PHILIPPINE BAR EXAMINATION”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolutions Numbered 968 and 979

Sponsors: Representatives Hofer and Garcia (G.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Natural Resources (Committee Report No. 472), re H.B. No. 6625, entitled:

“AN ACT CLASSIFYING BAMBOO AS AN UNREGULATED FOREST PRODUCT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4577

Sponsors: Representatives Ty and Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism (Committee Report No. 473), re H.R. No. 1421, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM (DOT) TO INSTITUTIONALIZE AND PROMOTE THE KALAPATI FESTIVAL OF BARANGAY HOLY SPIRIT IN QUEZON CITY”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 450

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez and Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Public Works and Highways (Committee Report No. 474), re H.B. No. 6632, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING THE PUERTO PRINCESA CITY SOUTH ROAD, STRETCHING FROM THE NATIONAL ROAD AT JUNCTION 1, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY PASSING THROUGH THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ABORLAN, NARRA, SOFRONIO ESPAÑOLA, BARANGAY RIO TUBA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BATARAZA AT THE EAST COAST, AND TURNING BACK TO PUERTO PRINCESA CITY FROM THE WEST COAST, AGAIN PASSING THOSE MUNICIPALITIES UP TO BARANGAY BACUNGAN, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, AS GOVERNOR ALFREDO M. ABUEG NATIONAL CIRCUMFERENTIAL ROAD”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4764

Sponsors: Representatives Lobregat and Abueg

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 475), re H.B. No. 6633, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AREA EQUIPMENT SERVICES OFFICE IN THE SECOND DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE OF THE PROVINCE OF SULU, TO BE LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LUUK, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2751

Sponsors: Representatives Lobregat, Nograles (K.A.) and Arbison

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Public Works and Highways (Committee Report No. 476), re H.B. No. 6634, entitled:

“AN ACT RE-NUMBERING THE CEBU 1ST, 2ND AND 4TH DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES TO CONFORM AND CORRESPOND, RESPECTIVELY, WITH THE NUMBERING OF THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5171

Sponsors: Representatives Lobregat, Salimbanon, Gullas, Caminero, Cortes, Garcia (G.), Durano, Calderon and Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs (Committee Report No. 477), re H.B. No. 6649, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING FURTHER THE PRE-DEPARTURE ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO

WORKERS TO INCLUDE FINANCIAL AND ENTREPRENEURIAL EDUCATION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8042, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MIGRANT WORKERS AND OVERSEAS FILIPINOS ACT OF 1995”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 1072 and 1330

Sponsor: Representative Manalo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of her and Rep. Tom S. Villarín’s guests.

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

On motion of Representative Defensor, the following Members were made coauthors of the Bills hereunder indicated:

Reps. Rodolfo C. Fariñas and Juliet Marie D. Ferrer for House Bill No. 6589;

Reps. Pantaleon D. Alvarez, Rodolfo C. Fariñas, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, and Divina Grace C. Yu for House Bill No. 6578;

Reps. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr., Leo Rafael M. Cueva, Sol Aragonés, and Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos for House Bill No. 6452;

Rep. Gerald Anthony “Samsam” V. Gullas Jr. for House Bill No. 6425;

Reps. Rodolfo C. Fariñas, Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc, Arthur R. Defensor Jr., Roger G. Mercado, Ann K. Hofer, Vincent “Bingbong” P. Crisologo; Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr., Victoria Isabel G. Noel, Arnel U. Ty, Alexandria P. Gonzales, Johnny Ty Pimentel, Francisco Jose F. Matugas II, Marlyn B. Alonte, Deogracias Victor “DV” B. Savellano, Oscar “Richard” S. Garin Jr., Benhur B. Lopez Jr., Jericho Jonas B. Nograles, Ron P. Salo, Bernadette “BH” Herrera-Dy, Cristina “Chiqui” Roa-Puno, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, Eugene Michael B. De Vera, Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D., Luis Jose Angel N. Campos

Jr., Harlin Neil J. Abayon III, Mylene J. Garcia-Albano, Cesar V. Sarmiento, Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento, Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Lawrence H. Fortun, Ma. Lourdes R. Aggabao, Sol Aragones, Imelda R. Marcos, and France L. Castro for House Bill No. 6517;

Rep. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto for House Bill No. 6572;

Reps. Maria Vida Espinosa Bravo and John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. Nieto for House Bill No. 6573; and

Rep. Lawrence H. Fortun for House Bill No. 6574.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

Whereupon, on successive motions of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the approval on Third Reading of the following House Bills, printed copies of which were distributed to the Members on November 8, 2017, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the amended Provisional Rules of the House:

1. House Bill No. 6452, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING THE DELIVERY OF INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, PROMOTING AND PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS UTILIZING PSYCHIATRIC, NEUROLOGIC AND PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN

Recognized by the Chair on motion of Representative Defensor, Rep. Edcel C. Lagman confirmed his affirmative vote and manifested that he will submit a written explanation of vote.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS (Continuation)

2. House Bill No. 6571, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP AND RETURN SERVICE PROGRAM FOR DESERVING STUDENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

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:

Abaya
Abayon
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Aglipay-Villar
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Bagatsing
Banal
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Batocabe
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Bernos
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano

Caminero	Herrera-Dy
Campos	Hofer
Canama	Kho
Casilao	Khonghun
Castelo	Labadlabad
Castro (F.L.)	Lacson
Cayetano	Lagman
Celeste	Lanete
Cerilles	Lazatin
Chavez	Leachon
Collantes	Limkaichong
Cortes	Lobregat
Cortuna	Lopez (B.)
Cosalan	Lopez (C.)
Crisologo	Lopez (M.L.)
Dalipe	Macapagal-Arroyo
Datol	Maceda
Daza	Madrona
De Jesus	Malapitan
De Vera	Manalo
Defensor	Mangaoang
Del Mar	Mangudadatu (Z.)
Del Rosario	Marcoleta
Deloso-Montalla	Marcos
Dimaporo (A.)	Mariño
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Marquez
Durano	Martinez
Dy	Matugas
Elago	Mellana
Enverga	Mendoza
Eriguel	Mercado
Ermita-Buhain	Mirasol
Escudero	Montoro
Espina	Nava
Espino	Nieto
Estrella	Noel
Evardone	Nogralles (K.A.)
Fariñas	Nolasco
Fernando	Oaminal
Ferrer (L.)	Olivarez
Floirendo	Ong (E.)
Fortun	Ong (H.)
Fortuno	Ortega (P.)
Fuentebella	Ortega (V.N.)
Garbin	Pacquiao
Garcia (G.)	Paduano
Garin (S.)	Palma
Gasataya	Pancho
Geron	Panganiban
Go (A.C.)	Panotes
Go (M.)	Papandayan
Gonzaga	Pichay
Gonzales (A.P.)	Pimentel
Gonzales (A.D.)	Pineda
Gonzalez	Plaza
Gullas	Primicias-Agabas

Radaza
Ramos
Relampagos
Revilla
Roa-Puno
Rocamora
Rodriguez (I.)
Romualdez
Romualdo
Roque (R.)
Sacdalan
Sagarbarria
Salimbangon
Salo
Salon
Sandoval
Santos-Recto
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
Sema
Siao
Silverio
Singson
Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)
Suarez
Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tan (M.)
Tan (S.)
Teves
Tiangco
Ting
Tinio
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Velarde
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villafuerte
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarica
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)

Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 223 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

SUBMISSION OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO'S WRITTEN EXPLANATION OF VOTE

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body approved Representative Elago's filing of a written explanation of her "Yes" vote on House Bill No. 6571.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS (Continuation)

3. House Bill No. 6579, entitled: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL POLICY ON EASE OF DOING BUSINESS, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE EASE OF DOING BUSINESS COMMISSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES";

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:

Abaya
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Agarao
Aggabao
Aglipay-Villar
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Bagatsing
Banal
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Batocabe
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Bernos
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Cayetano
Celeste
Cerilles
Chavez
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Dalipe
Datol
Daza
De Jesus
De Vera
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Durano
Dy
Elago
Enverga
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espina
Espino
Estrella
Evardone
Fariñas
Fernando
Ferrer (L.)
Floirendo
Fortun
Fortuno
Fuentebella
Garbin
Garcia (G.)
Garin (S.)
Gasataya
Gatchalian
Geron
Go (A.C.)
Go (M.)
Gonzaga
Gonzales (A.P.)
Gonzales (A.D.)
Gonzalez
Gullas
Herrera-Dy
Hofer
Javier
Kho
Khonghun
Labadlabad
Lacson
Lagman
Lanete
Lazatin
Leachon
Limkaichong

Lobregat	Sagarbarria
Lopez (B.)	Salimbangon
Lopez (C.)	Salo
Lopez (M.L.)	Salon
Macapagal-Arroyo	Sandoval
Maceda	Santos-Recto
Madrona	Sarmiento (C.)
Malapitan	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Manalo	Savellano
Mangaoang	Sema
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Siao
Marcoleta	Silverio
Marcos	Singson
Mariño	Suansing (E.)
Marquez	Suansing (H.)
Martinez	Suarez
Matugas	Tambunting
Mellana	Tan (A.)
Mendoza	Tan (M.)
Mercado	Tan (S.)
Mirasol	Teves
Montoro	Tiangco
Nava	Ting
Nieto	Tinio
Noel	Tugna
Nogralas (K.A.)	Tupas
Nolasco	Ty
Oaminal	Unabia
Olivarez	Ungab
Ong (E.)	Unico
Ong (H.)	Uy (J.)
Ortega (P.)	Uy (R.)
Ortega (V.N.)	Uybarreta
Pacquiao	Vargas
Paduano	Velarde
Palma	Velasco-Catera
Pancho	Veloso
Panganiban	Vergara
Panotes	Villafuerte
Papandayan	Villanueva
Pichay	Villaraza-Suarez
Pimentel	Villarica
Pineda	Villarin
Plaza	Violago
Primicias-Agabas	Yap (A.)
Radaza	Yap (V.)
Ramos	Yu
Relampagos	Zamora (R.)
Revilla	Zarate
Roa-Puno	Zubiri
Rocamora	
Rodriguez (I.)	
Romualdez	<i>Negative:</i>
Romualdo	
Roque (R.)	
Sacdalan	None

Abstention:

None

With 225 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 6579.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Defensor acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Sabiniano S. Canama and Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN MEASURES

(Continuation)

4. House Bill No. 6589, entitled: "AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM REGARDING LAND REGISTRATION TO FACILITATE SPEED AND EFFICIENCY IN LAND REGISTRATION";

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:

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Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Aglipay-Villar
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong

Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
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Bagatsing
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Barzaga
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Bautista-Bandigan
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Belmonte (F.)
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Belmonte (R.)
Bernos
Bertiz
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Castelo
Cayetano
Celeste
Cerilles
Chavez
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Dalipe
Datol
Daza
De Vera
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Durano

Dy
Enverga
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espina
Espino
Estrella
Evardone
Fariñas
Fernando
Ferrer (L.)
Floirendo
Fortun
Fortuno
Fuentebella
Garbin
Garcia (G.)
Garin (S.)
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Go (A.C.)
Go (M.)
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Gonzales (A.P.)
Gonzales (A.D.)
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Herrera-Dy
Hofer
Javier
Kho
Khonghun
Labadlabad
Lacson
Lagman
Lanete
Lazatin
Leachon
Limkaichong
Lobregat
Lopez (B.)
Lopez (C.)
Lopez (M.L.)
Macapagal-Arroyo
Maceda
Madrona
Malapitan
Manalo
Mangaoang
Mangudadatu (Z.)
Marcoleta
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Ortega (V.N.)
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Panotes
Papandayan
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Pimentel
Pineda
Plaza
Primicias-Agabas
Radaza
Ramos
Relampagos
Revilla
Roa-Puno
Rocamora
Rodriguez (I.)
Romualdez
Romualdo
Roque (R.)
Sacdalan
Sagarbarria
Salimbangon
Salo
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Sandoval
Santos-Recto
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
Sema
Siao
Silverio
Singson
Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)

Suarez
Tambunting
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Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Velarde
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villafuerte
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarica
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (R.)
Zubiri

Negative:

Brosas
Casilao
Castro (F.L.)
De Jesus
Elago
Tinio
Zarate

Abstention:

None

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

(Continuation)

5. House Bill No. 6590, entitled: "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3019, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED THE 'ANTI-GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT';

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:

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Almonte
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Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Bagatsing
Banal
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Batocabe
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro

With 219 affirmative votes, seven negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 6589.

Belmonte (F.)	Fernando
Belmonte (J.C.)	Ferrer (L.)
Belmonte (R.)	Floirendo
Bernos	Fortun
Bertiz	Fortuno
Billones	Fuentebella
Bolilia	Garbin
Bondoc	Garcia (G.)
Bordado	Garin (S.)
Bravo (A.)	Gasataya
Bravo (M.V.)	Gatchalian
Brosas	Geron
Bulut-Begtang	Go (A.C.)
Cagas	Go (M.)
Calderon	Gonzaga
Calixto-Rubiano	Gonzales (A.P.)
Caminero	Gonzales (A.D.)
Campos	Gonzalez
Canama	Gullas
Casilao	Herrera-Dy
Castelo	Hofer
Castro (F.L.)	Javier
Cayetano	Kho
Celeste	Khonghun
Cerilles	Labadlabad
Chavez	Lacson
Chipeco	Lagman
Collantes	Lanete
Cortes	Lazatin
Cortuna	Leachon
Cosalan	Limkaichong
Crisologo	Lobregat
Cuaresma	Lopez (B.)
Dalipe	Lopez (C.)
Datol	Lopez (M.L.)
Daza	Macapagal-Arroyo
De Jesus	Maceda
De Vera	Madrona
Defensor	Malapitan
Del Mar	Manalo
Del Rosario	Mangaoang
Deloso-Montalla	Mangudadatu (Z.)
Dimaporo (A.)	Marcoleta
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Marcos
Durano	Mariño
Dy	Marquez
Elago	Martinez
Enverga	Matugas
Eriguel	Mellana
Ermita-Buhain	Mendoza
Escudero	Mercado
Espina	Mirasol
Espino	Montoro
Estrella	Nava
Evardone	Nieto
Fariñas	Noel

Nograles (K.A.)	Tugna
Nolasco	Tupas
Oaminal	Ty
Olivarez	Unabia
Ong (E.)	Ungab
Ong (H.)	Unico
Ortega (P.)	Uy (J.)
Ortega (V.N.)	Uy (R.)
Pacquiao	Uybarreta
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Panganiban	Veloso
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Papandayan	Villafuerte
Pichay	Villanueva
Pimentel	Villaraza-Suarez
Pineda	Villarica
Plaza	Villarin
Primicias-Agabas	Violago
Radaza	Yap (A.)
Ramirez-Sato	Yap (V.)
Ramos	Yu
Relampagos	Zamora (R.)
Revilla	Zarate
Roa-Puno	Zubiri
Rocamora	
Rodriguez (I.)	<i>Negative:</i>
Romualdez	
Romualdo	None
Roque (R.)	
Sacdalan	<i>Abstention:</i>
Sagarbarria	
Salimbangon	None
Salo	
Salon	
Sandoval	
Santos-Recto	
Sarmiento (C.)	
Sarmiento (E.M.)	
Savellano	
Sema	
Siao	
Silverio	
Singson	
Suansing (E.)	
Suansing (H.)	
Suarez	
Tambunting	
Tan (A.)	
Tan (M.)	
Tan (S.)	
Teves	
Tiangco	
Ting	
Tinio	

With 230 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 6590.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

(Continuation)

6. House Bill No. 3492, entitled: "AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT MACABEBE, PAMPANGA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(C) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"; and

7. House Bill No. 6578, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT BENEFIT SYSTEM IN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, AUGMENTING ITS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.”

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:

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Castro (F.L.)
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Celeste
Cerilles
Chavez
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Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
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Crisologo
Cua
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Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
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Enverga
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espina
Espino
Estrella
Evardone
Fariñas
Fernando

Ferrer (L.)	Nolasco
Floirendo	Oaminal
Fortun	Olivarez
Fortuno	Ong (E.)
Fuentebella	Ong (H.)
Garbin	Ortega (P.)
Garcia (G.)	Ortega (V.N.)
Garin (S.)	Pacquiao
Gasataya	Paduano
Gatchalian	Palma
Geron	Pancho
Go (A.C.)	Panganiban
Go (M.)	Panotes
Gonzaga	Papandayan
Gonzales (A.P.)	Pichay
Gonzales (A.D.)	Pimentel
Gonzalez	Pineda
Gullas	Plaza
Herrera-Dy	Primicias-Agabas
Hofer	Radaza
Javier	Ramirez-Sato
Kho	Ramos
Khonghun	Relampagos
Labadlabad	Revilla
Lacson	Roa-Puno
Lagman	Rocamora
Lanete	Rodriguez (I.)
Lazatin	Romualdez
Leachon	Romualdo
Limkaichong	Roque (R.)
Lobregat	Sacdalan
Lopez (B.)	Sagarbarria
Lopez (C.)	Salimbangon
Lopez (M.L.)	Salo
Macapagal-Arroyo	Salon
Maceda	Sandoval
Madrona	Santos-Recto
Malapitan	Sarmiento (C.)
Manalo	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Mangaoang	Savellano
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Sema
Marcoleta	Siao
Marcos	Silverio
Mariño	Singson
Marquez	Suansing (E.)
Martinez	Suansing (H.)
Matugas	Suarez
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Mendoza	Tan (A.)
Mercado	Tan (M.)
Mirasol	Tan (S.)
Montoro	Teves
Nava	Tiangco
Nieto	Ting
Noel	Tinio
Nogralas (K.A.)	Tugna

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Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Velarde
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villafuerte
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarica
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 231 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5670 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1465

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 5670 and Senate Bill No. 1465, granting free irrigation service to small farmers.

ADOPTION OF SENATE BILL NO. 209 AS AN AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 6136

With the concurrence of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education as well as the authors of the Bill, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body adopted Senate Bill No.

209 as an amendment to House Bill No. 6136, declaring the 25th day of August of every year as the “National Technical-Vocational Day.”

THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

It being a Monday, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter recognized Rep. Divina Grace C. Yu for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE YU

In commemoration of National Children’s Month, Representative Yu took the floor to champion the cause of the Filipino child who she said is beleaguered by the birthing pains of a drug-free Philippines.

After discussing the Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Child and Youth Welfare Code of 1989, she mentioned the House Committee on Welfare of Children and Child Rights Network’s activities in the premises of the House of Representatives with “Karahasan Wakasan, Bata Protektahan” as the major theme.

Representative Yu thereafter spoke about the Committee’s ongoing deliberations on the Magna Carta of Day Care Workers and other bills including those that make it illegal to leave children below eight years old inside motor vehicles and regulate children’s products containing hazardous materials. Also mentioning the bills that the Committee had already approved such as those providing for the protection of children in armed conflict and rehabilitation for children with disabilities, she asked for the Body’s support for all of said measures.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE YU’S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

Thereafter, upon motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Ariel “Ka Ayik” B. Casilao for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASILAO

Representative Casilao, speaking in Filipino, focused on land reform as he adverted to the forthcoming celebration of Bonifacio Day. He explained

that farmers comprised most of the participants in Andres Bonifacio's revolution against Spanish feudalism and colonialism. He pointed out that when the Americans took over the country, they introduced capitalism and imperialism which hindered land reform as well. He cited President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's pronouncements that land reform was a basic cause for membership in the New People's Army.

Representative Casilao however stressed that despite the fact that the farmers comprise the majority of the population and depend on land for shelter and livelihood, President Duterte has not delivered on his promise for genuine agrarian reform and the farmers continued to be deprived of owning the land that they till. He pointed out that if Congress will not prioritize the matter, protest rallies will increase; the NPA's membership will go up; and more farmers will be hungry and angry.

Thereupon, he challenged his colleagues to stand up for genuine change and democratic reform starting with genuine agrarian reform and rural development; and to give life and meaning to the struggle of the peasants and Gat Bonifacio to achieve national freedom and democracy.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE CASILAO'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

Upon motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair next recognized Rep. Gary C. Alejano for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ALEJANO

In commemoration of the celebration of the 67th birth anniversary of the Philippine Marine Corps (PMC), Representative Alejano shared how it came into being by virtue of General Order No. 319, and became the barometer of excellence, dedication, and selfless service in the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP). He thereafter showed a video presentation on the exploits, challenges, and triumphs in the battlefield faced by the PMC during the Marawi crisis, which he said was also a tribute to the 35 Marines who died during the crisis. He then urged his colleagues to provide

a strong legal ground for the PMC's existence and support his proposed measure that would institutionalize its establishment in the AFP and give it full fiscal autonomy to continue doing its mandate of defending the country and the Filipino people.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE ALEJANO'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE DEFENSOR

Representative Defensor pointed out that Reps. Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr. and Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo, who had been listed to avail of the Privilege Hour, were not around at that moment.

On Representative Defensor's motion, the Chair then recognized Rep. Leopoldo N. Bataoil to deliver his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BATAOIL

Representative Bataoil initially expressed gratitude, as Chairperson of the House Committee on Veterans Affairs and Welfare, for receiving a congressional gold medal on behalf of World War II Filipino veterans upon the invitation of the United States Congress.

He explained that he felt honored by the medal because it is one of America's highest civilian awards bestowed to persons who have made an impact on American history and culture and his uncle and namesake was one of said veterans.

Thereafter underscoring that veteran soldiers and retired members of the Philippine National Police (PNP) should be given due respect and recognition, Representative Bataoil cited complaints of PNP retirees against the proposal of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) to exclude pensioners in the proposed adjustment of pensions. He pointed out that Presidential Decree No. 1638 and Republic Act (R.A.) No. 6975 as amended by R.A. No. 8551, provide that the retirement pay of officers/non-officers of the PNP and AFP shall be subject to adjustments based on the prevailing scale of base pay of police/military personnel in the active service.

Representative Bataoil thus asked Congress for a careful study on a DBM-drafted joint resolution thereon; and moved to maintain the base pay indexation of police and military retirees until the DBM could present a viable plan for pension reforms.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE BATAOIL'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

On further motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Mark O. Go for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE GO (M.)

Representative Go informed the Body that Baguio City was recently made an official member of the Creative Cities Network of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) under the crafts and folk arts creative field.

He explained the procedure that the city underwent in order to be recognized for its chosen field of recognition and cited several aspects that it was evaluated on such as cultural assets; history and economic performance; communities and groups engaged in the creative field; and pertinent policies, programs, learning institutions, facilities, and infrastructure.

Thereupon, Representative Go underscored the need to support creative industries in order to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as well as the importance of micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) as the key towards sustainable and inclusive growth. He stressed that in order to support countrywide development, there must be a way to encourage entrepreneurship in the rest of the archipelago, particularly on creative industries. He urged his colleagues to explore the potential of creative industries and to seek the necessary support and assistance of the national government for this endeavor.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE GO'S (M.) PRIVILEGE SPEECH

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Go to the Committee on Rules.

EXTENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On subsequent motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body extended the Privilege Hour for another 15 minutes; and the Chair recognized Rep. Aurora Enerio Cerilles for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CERILLES

Representative Cerilles brought to the attention of the Body what she called the blatant injustice committed by the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) headed by Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Acting Secretary Catalino Cuy through the issuance of NAPOLCOM Resolution No. 2017-571.

She explained that said Resolution withdrew Zamboanga del Sur Governor Antonio H. Cerilles' operational supervision and control over the Philippine National Police (PNP) due to his alleged links to illegal drugs. She pointed out that Governor Cerilles has no such power over PNP units and that it belongs to the city and municipal mayors as provided for by R. A. No. 6975. She clarified that the governor's case has nothing to do with illegal drugs as earlier reported in several media outlets but was based on a confidential report on his alleged abuse of authority.

She then lamented the fact that Secretary Cuy has not made any statements clarifying the misinformation. She cited the governor's programs against illegal drugs. She also expressed hope that the DILG will not support or subscribe to political intrigues; and asked those who are using their power to further their political ambition, not to destroy Zamboanga del Sur and picture it as a narco-province.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE CERILLES' PRIVILEGE SPEECH

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Cerilles to the Committee on Rules.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. France L. Castro for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F. L.)

In commemoration of the United Nations Universal Children's Day, Representative Castro decried the lack of government support for the promotion and protection of the rights and welfare of the Filipino children particularly the lumad youths' right to education.

Representative Castro pointed out that military attacks against lumads in Mindanao was due to the marginal group's opposition to mining and logging which destroy natural resources and pose danger to their ancestral domain. She said that the attacks intensified with the issuance of Department of Education (DepEd) Order No. 221, series of 2013, that allows military camps in schools. She stressed that schools closed down, residents evacuated, and the schooling of lumad youths stopped all because of militarization, harassment, killings, bombings, and human rights violations.

On behalf of the lumads, Representative Castro then asked DepEd Secretary Leonor M. Briones to solve the militarization of lumad schools and condemn the same; investigate cases of connivance between DepEd regional offices, the AFP, and local government units in closing down lumad schools; and grant permits to operate and certificates of recognition to all lumad schools. She also asked the government to stop the attacks against lumads and Moros in Mindanao and the implementation of martial law and Oplan Kapayapaan; and to promote a nationalistic, scientific, and pro-poor kind of education.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO'S (F.L.) PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

Thereafter, on further motion of Representative Defensor, the Chair recognized Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DIMAPORO (M.K.)

Representative Dimaporo initially congratulated and thanked the President, the AFP, and the PNP for the killing of Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) terrorist leaders in Marawi and the liberation of the city.

He subsequently discussed three areas of concern in Mindanao, namely, the PNP and local governance;

the thin line between insurgency and terrorism; and the need to augment the budget of the military. He explained the importance of addressing the same in order to ensure that terrorism will be addressed and contained.

After discussing the crisis in Marawi City, Representative Dimaporo said that he had filed a resolution seeking a detailed account of what really happened therein so as to give the military a chance to air its side on their alleged abuses and human rights violations and enable Congress to verify if there is a need to increase the funds for military spending.

He also mentioned the Bangsamoro Basic Law, saying its passage can either be part of the solution for terrorism or make it worse by propagating the same socioeconomic conditions which led to the entry of ISIS in the Autonomous Region for Muslim Mindanao. He suggested that during the deliberations thereon, such matters as devolving the PNP and DepEd to the Bangsamoro government and restricting AFP movement in the Bangsamoro territory should be discussed.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE DIMAPORO'S (M.K.) PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On Representative Defensor's further motion, there being no objection, the Body terminated the privilege hour.

TRANSMITTAL OF HOUSE BILLS APPROVED ON THIRD READING

On motion of Representative Defensor, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretariat to immediately transmit to the Senate all House Bills previously approved on Third Reading.

RESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TURABIN-HATAMAN AS AMIN PARTY-LIST REPRESENTATIVE

At this point, Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas remarked that Rep. Sitti Djalila A. Turabin-Hataman delivered a privilege speech on October 2, 2017 declaring her resignation as a Member of the House of Representatives in the 17th Congress. He added that

she had formally tendered her resignation in a letter dated October 4, 2017, and that Speaker Pantaleon D. Alvarez regrettably accepted said resignation on October 23, 2017.

On Majority Leader Fariñas' successive motions, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to drop the name of Representative Turabin-Hataman from the Roll of Members and to duly inform the Commission on Elections about the House of Representatives' acceptance of her resignation.

**DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE
BELMONTE (F.) AS CARETAKER OF
THE LONE DISTRICT OF BATANES**

Thereafter, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body designated Rep. Feliciano Belmonte Jr. to be the caretaker of the Lone District of Batanes, in view of the demise of Rep. Henedina R. Abad.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Subsequently, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, November 21, 2017.

It was 7:29 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) **ATTY. CESAR STRAIT PAREJA**
Secretary General

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MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE**Journal No. 37****Monday, November 20, 2017**

ABAYA	BELMONTE (R.)	DEFENSOR
ABAYON	***** BENITEZ	DEL MAR
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
AGLIPAY-VILLAR	BULUT-BEGTANG	ERMITA-BUHAIN
*** ALBANO	CAGAS	ESCUDERO
***** ALCALA	CALDERON	ESPINA
ALEJANO	CALIXTO-RUBIANO	ESPINO
ALMARIO	CAMINERO	ESTRELLA
ALMONTE	CAMPOS	***** EUSEBIO
ALONTE	CANAMA	EVARDONE
ALVAREZ (F.)	**** CARI	FARIÑAS
**** ALVAREZ (M.)	CASILAO	FERNANDO
ALVAREZ (P.)	CASTELO	**** FERRER (J.)
**** AMANTE	CASTRO (F.L.)	FERRER (L.)
AMATONG	CASTRO (F.H.)	***** FERRIOL-PASCUAL
ANDAYA	***** CATAMCO	FLOIRENDO
ANGARA-CASTILLO	CAYETANO	***** FLORES
***** ANTONINO	CELESTE	FORTUN
ANTONIO	**** CERAFICA	FORTUNO
AQUINO-MAGSAYSAY	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	DATOL	GONZALES (A.P.)
BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN	DAZA	GONZALES (A.D.)
BELARO	DE JESUS	GONZALEZ
BELMONTE (F.)	***** DE VENECIA	**** GORRICETA
BELMONTE (J.C.)	DE VERA	GULLAS

* HERNANDEZ	*** OCAMPO	SILVERIO
HERRERA-DY	OLIVAREZ	SINGSON
HOFER	ONG (E.)	SUANSING (E.)
*** JALOSJOS	ONG (H.)	SUANSING (H.)
* JAVIER	ORTEGA (P.)	SUAREZ
KHO	ORTEGA (V.N.)	** SY-ALVARADO
KHONGHUN	PACQUIAO	TAMBUNTING
LABADLABAD	PADUANO	TAN (A.)
LACSON	PALMA	TAN (M.)
LAGMAN	PANCHO	* TAN (S.)
LANETE	PANGANIBAN	***** TEJADA
***** LAOGAN	PANOTES	TEVES
LAZATIN	PAPANDAYAN	TIANGCO
LEACHON	PICHAY	TING
***** LEE	PIMENTEL	TINIO
LIMKAICHONG	PINEDA	*** TOLENTINO
LOBREGAT	* PLAZA	*** TREÑAS
LOPEZ (B.)	PRIMICIAS-AGABAS	TUGNA
LOPEZ (C.)	* QUIMBO	TUPAS
LOPEZ (M.L.)	RADAZA	***** TURABIN-HATAMAN
*** 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 (R.)	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	SANTOS-RECTO	* YAP (V.)
***** NOGRALES (J.J.)	SARMIENTO (C.)	YU
NOGRALES (K.A.)	SARMIENTO (E.M.)	***** ZAMORA (M.C.)
NOLASCO	SAVELLANO	ZAMORA (R.)
***** NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	SEMA	ZARATE
OAMINAL	SIAO	ZUBIRI

* Appeared after the Roll Call

** On official mission

*** Attending 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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