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CALL TO ORDER

At 4:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Gwendolyn F. Garcia 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, Rep. Vilma Santos-Recto delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Gerald Anthony “Samsam” V. Gullas Jr., there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abayon
Abu
Acop
Acosta
Acosta-Alba
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Albano
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (M.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amatong
Andaya
Angara-Castillo
Antonio
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Bagatsing
Baguilat
Banal
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Batocabe
Bautista-Bandigan

Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Benitez
Bernos
Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Campos
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano
Celeste
Cerafica
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Cojuangco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Datol
Daza
De Jesus
de Venecia
De Vera
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Dy
Elago
Enverga
Erice

Eriguel	Mirasol
Ermita-Buhain	Montoro
Escudero	Nieto
Espina	Noel
Espino	Nogralles (K.A.)
Estrella	Nolasco
Eusebio	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Evardone	Ocampo
Fariñas	Olivarez
Ferrer (J.)	Ong (E.)
Ferrer (L.)	Ortega (P.)
Flores	Ortega (V.N.)
Fortun	Pacquiao
Fortuno	Paduano
Garbin	Palma
Garcia (G.)	Pancho
Garcia (J.E.)	Panganiban
Gasataya	Panotes
Gatchalian	Papandayan
Geron	Pichay
Go (A.C.)	Pineda
Go (M.)	Primicias-Agabas
Gonzaga	Ramirez-Sato
Gonzales (A.P.)	Ramos
Gonzales (A.D.)	Relampagos
Gonzalez	Revilla
Gullas	Roa-Puno
Hernandez	Robes
Herrera-Dy	Rocamora
Hofer	Rodriguez (I.)
Jalosjos	Rodriguez (M.)
Kho	Romero
Khonghun	Romualdez
Labadlabad	Romualdo
Lacson	Roque
Lagman	Sacdalan
Lanete	Salimbangon
Laogan	Salo
Lazatin	Salon
Lee	Sambar
Lobregat	Santos-Recto
Lopez (B.)	Sarmiento (C.)
Lopez (C.)	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Loyola	Savellano
Macapagal-Arroyo	Siao
Madrona	Silverio
Malapitan	Singson
Manalo	Suansing (E.)
Mangaoang	Suansing (H.)
Mangudadatu (Z.)	Suarez
Marcoleta	Sy-Alvarado
Marcos	Tambunting
Mariño	Tan (A.)
Marquez	Tan (M.)
Martinez	Teves
Mending	Tiangco
Mendoza	Ting
Mercado	Tinio

Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Tupas
Ty
Umali
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velarde
Velasco
Velo
Vergara
Villafuerte
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarica
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yap (V.)
Yu
Zamora (R.)
Zarate
Zubiri

With 233 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

DEFERMENT OF THE APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body deferred the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereafter, on further motion of Representative Gullas, 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 President, Messages from the Senate, Communications, and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate Committees or consigned to the Archives as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 6783, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING BAMBOO INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES, CREATING THE BAMBOO INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER (BIRDC), APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6784, entitled:

“AN ACT ENCOURAGING YOUTH SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN THE AGRICULTURAL SECTOR, ESTABLISHING FOR THE PURPOSE A 'TULONG KABATAAN SA AGRICULTURA PROGRAM' AND A 'TULONG KABATAAN SA AGRICULTURA TRUST FUND', APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6785, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING PROTECTION TO CONSUMERS BY EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF BASIC NECESSITIES AND PRIME COMMODITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7581, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PRICE ACT', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 6786, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING DISASTER SERVICE VOLUNTEERS PAID LEAVE DURING PERIOD OF DISASTERS”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6787, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE FILIPINO SIGN LANGUAGE AS THE NATIONAL SIGN LANGUAGE OF THE FILIPINO DEAF AND THE OFFICIAL SIGN LANGUAGE OF GOVERNMENT IN ALL TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING THE DEAF, AND MANDATING ITS USE IN SCHOOLS, BROADCAST MEDIA, AND WORKPLACES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 6788, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE CACAO INDUSTRY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6789, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF REDISTRIBUTING AND RECYCLING FOOD WASTE TO PROMOTE FOOD SECURITY”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 6790, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FROM INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREATS, THEREBY CREATING A CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE FOR THIS PURPOSE”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6791, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROMOTE RURAL HEALTH BY PROVIDING FOR AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN EVERY BARANGAY IN THE COUNTRY WITHIN THREE YEARS”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6792, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE CAMP AQUINO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE STO. CRISTO INTEGRATED SCHOOL – EXTENSION CAMPUS BOTH LOCATED IN BARANGAY SAN MIGUEL, CITY OF TARLAC, PROVINCE OF TARLAC INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CAMP AQUINO INTEGRATED SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6793, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE CENTRAL AZUCARERA DE TARLAC HIGH SCHOOL – ANNEX LOCATED IN BARANGAY BALETE, CITY OF TARLAC, PROVINCE OF TARLAC INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BALETE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6794, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE CONDUCT OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DRILLS IN FACILITIES HANDLING, STORING, AND TRANSPORTING HAZARDOUS MATERIALS”

By Representative Mariño

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6802, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE METRO MANILA TURF CLUB, INC., A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A RACETRACK FOR HORSERACING ANYWHERE IN REGION IV-A (CALABARZON), CONSISTING OF THE PROVINCES OF CAVITE, LAGUNA, BATANGAS, RIZAL AND QUEZON AND THE CITY OF LUCENA”

By Representative Collantes

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 6803, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING COURTS FOR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6804, entitled:

“AN ACT REVISING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR THE HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF SCHOOL CHILDREN AND STUDENT YOUTH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6805, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY TO IDENTIFY THE DISEASES AFFECTING LOCAL HOGS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6806, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING THE ACT OF MONYELENDING WITH INTEREST BY SALARY-DISBURSING OFFICERS IN PUBLIC OR PRIVATE ENTITIES,

PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 6807, entitled:

“AN ACT LAUNCHING ANOTHER GREEN REVOLUTION PROGRAM IN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6808, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING EMERGENCY RICE RESERVES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 6809, entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF SIX HUNDRED MILLION PESOS (P600,000,000.00) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COASTAL ROAD FROM BARANGAY BUGO UP TO BARANGAY MACABALAN IN THE CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6810, entitled:

“AN ACT TO HASTEN TITLING OF RESIDENTIAL LANDS OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN BY EXTENDING THE GRANT OF FREE PATENT TO RESIDENTIAL

LANDS UNDER CERTAIN CONDI-
TIONS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6811, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING MOVIE, TELEVI-
SION, AND RADIO PRODUCERS, IN-
CLUDING PROMOTION AND ADVER-
TISING AGENCIES, AND OTHER LIKE
ENTITIES, EMPLOYING UNEMANCI-
PATED MINORS TO DEPOSIT THEIR
TALENT FEES OR INCOME IN A
TRUST FUND, IMPOSING PENALTIES
FOR VIOLATION THEREOF AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFOR-
MATION

House Bill No. 6812, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING FROM REAL PROP-
ERTY TAX THE TREES AND OTHER
IMPROVEMENTS ON LANDS COVER-
ED BY CERTIFICATES OF STEW-
ARDSHIP CONTRACTS UNDER THE
INTEGRATED SOCIAL FORESTRY
PROGRAM”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOV-
ERNMENT

House Bill No. 6813, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL NU-
CLEAR RADIATION SAFETY BOARD
AND DEFINING ITS SCOPE, FUNC-
TIONS AND POWERS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
REORGANIZATION AND THE COM-
MITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOL-
OGY

House Bill No. 6814, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A STUDY AND
FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS

REGARDING CASES OF HEPATITIS C
AMONG FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMED-
ICS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNI-
CIANS AND OTHER EMERGENCY RE-
SPONSE EMPLOYEES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6815, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SEC-
TIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER
SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN (R.A. 6657), AS
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE 'COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN
REFORM LAW OF 1998', AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN RE-
FORM

House Bill No. 6816, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING PERSONS WITH
DISABILITY (PWD) WHO ARE SELF-
EMPLOYED A SEVENTY PERCENT
(70%) GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY FOR
THEIR MONTHLY PREMIUM CONTRI-
BUTIONS TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY
SYSTEM FOR THE FIRST THREE
MONTHS OF COVERAGE, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 7277, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE 'MAGNA CARTA FOR PERSONS
WITH DISABILITY' ”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SER-
VICES

House Bill No. 6817, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING RESEARCH ON
DYSTONIA”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6818, entitled:

“AN ACT LIMITING EXPOSURE OF CHIL-
DREN TO VIOLENT PROGRAMMING

ON TELEVISION AND CABLE SYSTEMS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 6819, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL PROGRAM THAT WILL PROVIDE PREGNANT WOMEN WITH ALTERNATIVES TO ABORTION”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6821, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL EDUCATION COORDINATING COUNCIL, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6822, entitled:

“AN ACT DIRECTING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO SUPPORT RESEARCH AND TRAINING IN METHODS OF DETECTING THE USE OF PERFORMANCE-ENHANCING DRUGS BY ATHLETES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 6823, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF ARREARS IN THE VETERANS’ PENSIONS AND BENEFITS MANDATED PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7696, AS AMENDED, OTHER-

WISE KNOWN AS AN ACT STANDARDIZING AND UPGRADING THE BENEFITS FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND WELFARE

House Bill No. 6824, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING EARLY RETIREMENT AND VOLUNTARY SEPARATION FROM THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE, PROVIDING A SYSTEM OF FUNDING THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6825, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING RETIRED AND INCUMBENT OFFICIALS OF GOVERNMENT FROM ACCEPTING EMPLOYMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC CREDITORS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6826, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA FOR JOURNALISTS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 6827, entitled:

“AN ACT TO SUBSIDIZE SCHOOL FEES IN ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6828, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING EACH CITY OR MUNICIPALITY TO CREATE A RIVER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR THE PRESERVATION, PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF ALL RIVERS, RIVERSYSTEMS AND NATURAL WATERWAYS WITHIN ITS JURISDICTION, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6829, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE CERTAIN DISCLOSURES IN CONNECTION WITH ANY INTERNATIONAL MONEY TRANSFER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 6830, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7722, ENTITLED 'AN ACT CREATING THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6831, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL CENTER FOR INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO ALL TYPES OF FAMILY RESOURCE AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

House Bill No. 6832, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH HOUSING LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM, PROVIDING THE MECHANISMS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 6833, entitled:

“AN ACT ALLOWING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO RETAIN FIFTY PERCENT (50%) OF THE PROCEEDS FROM ALL TAXES, FEES AND FINES COLLECTED UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED ELEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FIRE CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6835, entitled:

“AN ACT INTRODUCING EDUCATIONAL REFORMS AND SUPPORTING THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF EDUCATIONAL REFORMS IN SECONDARY INSTITUTIONS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6836, entitled:

“AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 544, AS AMENDED, OR THE CIVIL ENGINEERING LAW”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6837, entitled:

“AN ACT ACCELERATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL RAILWAY

SYSTEM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL RAILWAY AUTHORITY, PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 6838, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION DATABASE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6839, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A JOB TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MATURE OR OLDER WORKERS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 6840, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN AUTOMATIC PAY INCREASE TO ANY MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO IS DEPLOYED AWAY FROM THE MEMBER'S PERMANENT STATION OR, IN THE CASE OF A MEMBER OF A RESERVE COMPONENT OF THE ARMED FORCES, THE MEMBER'S HOME OF RECORD, ONCE THE DEPLOYMENT PERIOD EXCEEDS 180 DAYS OF CONTINUOUS DUTY”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6841, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING SHIPPING VESSELS COASTING PHILIPPINE WATERS FOR THE PROTECTION OF SHORES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 6842, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FULLY-EQUIPPED SCIENCE LABORATORIES IN EVERY PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6843, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6844, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS AND/OR PROCEDURES FOR MAKING ARRESTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6845, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A HOUSING PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 6846, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING AND ESTABLISHING RIVERS, RIVER SYSTEMS, BEACHES, SHORES AND WATERWAYS AS ECOLOGICAL ZONES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, BY ALLOWING BONDED BARANGAY TREASURERS TO RETAIN THE BARANGAYS' 50% SHARE FROM PAYMENTS OF COMMUNITY TAX CERTIFICATES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6847, entitled:

“AN ACT PROFESSIONALIZING THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTING SERVICE TO SERVE AS A TOOL FOR EFFECTIVE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF GOVERNMENT RESOURCES, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTANCY OFFICE UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 6851, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING THE SALE OF SHOWER CURTAINS MADE OF POLY-VINYL CHLORIDE, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS PVC IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6852, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1986 CREATING THE MOVIE AND TELEVISION REVIEW AND CLASSIFICATION BOARD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 6848, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE EVERY STUDENT TO PLANT TREES EVERY YEAR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION

House Bill No. 6853, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING THE BRINGING IN AND USE OF CELLULAR PHONES BY STUDENTS IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6849, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION, SUPERVISION AND PROFESSIONALIZATION OF THE PRACTICE, LICENSING AND REGISTRATION OF SANITARIANS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6854, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE PUBLICATION OF THE TOP FIVE HUNDRED TAXPAYERS AND THEIR RESPECTIVE INCOME TAX RETURNS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 6850, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1445, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNMENT AUDITING

House Bill No. 6855, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE AIR FORCE ACADEMY (PAFA) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6856, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING A BAN ON DUMPING OF SEWAGE SLUDGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE INTO THE SEA”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 6857, entitled:

“AN ACT FACILITATING AND REGULATING INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF AND INITIAL RECOVERY ASSISTANCE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6858, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ENFORCE THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT TO THE FREE EXERCISE OF RELIGION BY STUDENTS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6859, entitled:

“AN ACT TO RECRUIT, HIRE, AND TRAIN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL-BASED GUIDANCE COUNSELORS, PSYCHOLOGISTS, SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS AND MENTAL HEALTH PERSONNEL”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6860, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ERADICATE RACKETEERS AND POWERFUL SYNDICATES IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6861, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING EARLY LEARNING PROGRAMS FOR INDIGENT PRE-KINDERGARTEN CHILDREN”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6862, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE CAGAYAN DE ORO RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 6863, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE OIL INDUSTRY, ESTABLISHING THE OIL PRICE STABILIZATION FUND (OPSF) FOR THE PURPOSE AND REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8479, 'THE DOWNSTREAM OIL INDUSTRY DEREGULATION ACT OF 1998' ”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 6864, entitled:

“AN ACT LEGALIZING THE IMPORTATION OF SECOND-HAND OR USED CLOTHING AND RAGS INTO THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING, FOR THAT PURPOSE, REPUBLIC ACT 4653, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT TO SAFEGUARD THE HEALTH OF THE

PEOPLE AND MAINTAIN THE DIGNITY OF THE NATION BY DECLARING IT A NATIONAL POLICY TO PROHIBIT THE COMMERCIAL IMPORTATION OF TEXTILE ARTICLES COMMONLY KNOWN AS USED CLOTHING AND RAGS' ”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 6865, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE NATIONAL MAPPING AND RESOURCE INFORMATION AUTHORITY (NAMRIA)”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 6866, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE JCT. BUKIDNON CAGAYAN DE ORO ILIGAN ROAD (BCIR) - CORRALES STREET - NORTH DIVISORIA ROAD IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY INTO A NATIONAL ROAD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6867, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MAGNA CARTA FOR KALAKALAN PAMPAMILYA, PROVIDING INCENTIVES AND BENEFITS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 6868, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE JCT. ABELLANOSA - CAPISTRANO STREET -

CARMEN - PATAG ROAD IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY INTO A NATIONAL ROAD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6869, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING 'PRIVATE ARMIES', PROHIBITING THEIR MAINTENANCE, MANDATING THEIR DISMANTLING, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6870, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE AGORA ROAD, LAPASAN TO THE CDO PORT ROAD IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY INTO A NATIONAL ROAD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6871, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARIES OF HEALTH AND LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT TO ISSUE REGULATIONS TO ELIMINATE OR MINIMIZE THE SIGNIFICANT RISK OF NEEDLESTICK INJURY TO HEALTH CARE WORKERS”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6872, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE A. VELEZ ST. - J.R. BORJA - BCIR ROAD IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY INTO A NATIONAL ROAD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6873, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH A PERMANENT COUNCIL ON NUTRITION AND HEALTH”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6874, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THAT ALL ILLEGAL WOOD PRODUCTS CONFISCATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES BE DONATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO BE USED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF CLASSROOM, TABLES, CHAIRS AND OTHER SCHOOL FACILITIES”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6875, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REGULATE PESTICIDE CHEMICAL RESIDUES IN FOOD”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6876, entitled:

“AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE LAND MANAGEMENT BUREAU TO SUBDIVIDE THE LANDS WITHIN MILITARY RESERVATIONS IN MARAWI CITY BELONGING TO THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES WHICH ARE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR MILITARY PURPOSES, AND TO DISPOSE OF THE SAME BY SALE OR TRANSFER, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6877, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALO-I, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS THE BALO-I BYPASS ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6878, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING CONTINUOUS DRIVING DUTY EXCEEDING TWELVE (12) HOURS IN ANY TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOUR PERIOD”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 6879, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING SPECIAL HARDSHIP ALLOWANCE TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, SCHOOL HEADS AND ADMINISTRATORS IN HARDSHIP POSTS”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6880, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROPER WORKING CONDITIONS IN THE MOVIE AND TELEVISION INDUSTRY”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 6881, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE INSTALLATION OF MUDGUARDS IN TRUCKS

AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR
NONCOMPLIANCE”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTA-
TION

House Bill No. 6882, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE CALL CENTER
WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRA-
TION, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND
FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PUR-
POSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND
EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 6883, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MT. INAYA-
WAN RANGE LOCATED IN THE MU-
NICIPALITY OF NUNUNGAN, PROV-
INCE OF LANA DEL NORTE, AS A
PROTECTED AREA, PROVIDING FOR
ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representatives Dimaporo (A.) and Di-
maporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RE-
SOURCES

House Bill No. 6884, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MARANDING
WATERSHED AREA LOCATED IN THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF SALVADOR,
SAPAD, NUNUNGAN, TANGKAL, AND
KAPATAGAN, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL
NORTE AS COMPONENTS OF
THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PRO-
TECTED AREAS SYSTEM UNDER THE
CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LAND-
SCAPE AND PROVIDING FOR ITS
MANAGEMENT”

By Representatives Dimaporo (A.) and Di-
maporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RE-
SOURCES

House Bill No. 6885, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE SULTAN
NAGA DIMAPORO PROTECTED
LANDSCAPE AND SEASCAPE AREA
WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SUL-
TAN NAGA DIMAPORO, PROVINCE
OF LANA DEL NORTE AS COMPO-
NENT OF THE NATIONAL INTE-
GRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYS-
TEM UNDER THE CATEGORY OF PRO-
TECTED LANDSCAPE AND SEA-
SCAPE AND PROVIDING FOR ITS
MANAGEMENT”

By Representatives Dimaporo (A.) and Di-
maporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RE-
SOURCES

House Bill No. 6886, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISH-
MENT OF CASINOS AND ELEC-
TRONIC GAMING FACILITIES
WITHIN A THIRTY (30) KILOMETER
RADIUS FROM RESIDENTIAL AREAS,
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND
PLACES OF WORSHIP AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Lopez (M.L.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND
AMUSEMENTS

House Bill No. 6887, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING LOCAL IN-
FRASTRUCTURE INDUSTRY PLAY-
ERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 23 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.
9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT RE-
FORM ACT, AND FOR OTHER PUR-
POSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6888, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT
9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE

GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT, WITHDRAWING FROM ITS APPLICATION ALL REFERENCES TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6889, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9296, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE MEAT INSPECTION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES', PRESCRIBING PENALTIES OF IMPRISONMENT AND FINES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND AMENDING CHAPTER XIV THEREOF FOR THE PURPOSE”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 6890, entitled:

“AN ACT INTENSIFYING STEM CELL RESEARCH AND THERAPY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6891, entitled:

“AN ACT PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR ELDER ABUSE AND ESTABLISHING INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS FOR THE PROTECTION AND SUPPORT OF THE VICTIMS THEREOF”

By Representative Aquino-Magsaysay

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

House Bill No. 6892, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE AND BENEFITS FOR CASUAL, CONTRACTUAL, AND JOB OR-

DER EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT”

By Representative Gasataya

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6894, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN DAVAO CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Nograles (K.A.) and Nograles (J.J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6895, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 57 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8754, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER CITY OF MALOLOS”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6896, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ENSURE THAT OLDER OR DISABLED PERSONS ARE PROTECTED FROM INSTITUTIONAL, COMMUNITY AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT AND TO IMPROVE OUTREACH EFFORTS AND OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE TO OLDER OR DISABLED PERSONS VICTIMIZED BY SUCH VIOLENCE”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 6897, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING HAZARD PAY TO ELIGIBLE PDEA PERSONNEL”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS

House Bill No. 6898, entitled:

“AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE HEAD OF EACH EXECUTIVE AGENCY TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A POLICY UNDER WHICH EMPLOYEES SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO TELEWORK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION THAT WILL SAFEGUARD FOOD AND CERTAIN OTHER PRODUCTS FROM CONTAMINATION DURING MOTOR OR RAIL TRANSPORTATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 6899, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE TITLE OF THE STATE IN CERTAIN ABANDONED SHIPWRECKS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 6903, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL JUNIOR POLICE ORGANIZATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6900, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFICIENT AND REGULAR DISTRIBUTION OF CURRENT INFORMATION ON GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 6904, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE SELF-RELIANT DEFENSE POSTURE PROGRAM REPEALING FOR THIS PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 415 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6905, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP HIGH SCHOOL AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6901, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO COMMUTE BY MEANS OTHER THAN SINGLE-OCCUPANCY MOTOR VEHICLES”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 6906, entitled:

“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF TUBLAY SCHOOL OF HOME INDUSTRIES IN BARANGAY CAPONGA, MUNICIPALITY OF TUBLAY, PROVINCE OF BENGUET TO ANDRES ACOP COSALAN SCHOOL OF HOME INDUSTRIES”

By Representatives Baguilat, Bulut-Begtang, Mangaoang, Go (M.) and Cosalan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6902, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN FOOD TRANSPORTATION PRACTICES AND TO PROVIDE FOR REGULATION BY

House Bill No. 6909, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING MOTORCYCLES-FOR-HIRE KNOWN AS HABAL-HABAL OR ANGKAS, THEREBY AUTHORIZING CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES TO GRANT FRANCHISES FOR THEIR OPERATIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 458 (1) (VI) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6910, entitled:

“AN ACT EMPOWERING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO GRANT ADDITIONAL FISCAL INCENTIVES TO PERSONNEL”

By Representative Belmonte (J.C.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6911, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN INTEGRATED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM TO DEVELOP, PRESERVE AND PROMOTE THE INTRINSIC AND INDIGENOUS HERITAGE CRAFTS OF THE PHILIPPINES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 6912, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RAILWAY SYSTEM IN THE EASTERN VISAYAN REGION, FROM THE ENTRY OF THE PROVINCE OF SAMAR TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN RICARDO IN THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1551, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO INVESTIGATE THE ALLEGED PAYMENTS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS OF ROAD RIGHT OF WAY (RROW) CLAIMANTS IN GENERAL SANTOS CITY USING SPURIOUS OR FABRICATED LAND TITLES”

By Representative Acharon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1552, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ATENEO BLUE EAGLES BASKETBALL TEAM FOR WINNING 80TH SEASON OF UNIVERSITY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES (UAAP) CHAMPIONSHIP”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1553, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION COMPOSED OF STUDENTS FROM TONDO HIGH SCHOOL, ESTEBAN ABADA HIGH SCHOOL, MARCOS HIGH SCHOOL, T. ALONZO HIGH SCHOOL, V. MAPA HIGH SCHOOL, RAMON MAGSAYSAY HIGH SCHOOL AND P. GOMEZ ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR HONORING THE COUNTRY WITH THEIR VARIOUS MEDALS AND AWARDS IN THE 2ND WORLD INVENTION AND INNOVATION FORUM HELD IN FOSHAN, CHINA”

By Representative Lopez (M.L.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Resolution No. 1555, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING AND URGING THE PRESIDENT TO AWARD THE

MEDAL OF VALOR TO FIRST LIEUTENANT RONILO M. VENDER FOR VALIANTLY LEADING THE COMBAT TEAM THAT NEUTRALIZED THE MAUTE TERRORISTS, ISNILON HAPILON AND OMAR MAUTE”

By Representatives Suarez, Bravo (A.), Bertiz, De Vera, Chavez, Cortuna, Lee and Salon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Resolution No. 1556, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE HONORABLE REP. MANUEL MONSOUR T. DEL ROSARIO III OF THE FIRST DISTRICT OF MAKATI CITY FOR HONORING THE COUNTRY WITH THE DISTINCTION AS 2017 MAN OF THE YEAR IN THE WORLD TAEKWONDO AND FOR BEING INDUCTED INTO THE HALL OF FAME OF THE WORLD TAEKWONDO FEDERATION”

By Representative Bravo (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1557, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REAL REASON BEHIND THE DISLOCATION OF RESIDENTS IN EAST BANK MANGGAHAN FLOODWAY, BARANGAY STA. LUCIA, PASIG CITY”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1558, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, AN INQUIRY REGARDING THE ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED BONUSES AND ALLOWANCES PAID BY

THE PHILIPPINE CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES OFFICE (PCSO) AND OTHER GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCS)”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1562, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CREATING A SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDS) AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 33, RULE IX OF THE RULES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 17TH CONGRESS”

By Representative Aquino-Magsaysay

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1563, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THRU THE COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE OBVIOUS AND OSTENTATIOUS DISPLAY OF ILLEGALITIES AND BRAZEN DISREGARD OF TRAFFIC LAWS COMMITTED IN THE MAJOR THOROUGHFARES AND SIDESTREETS OF METRO MANILA.

THESE FOREGOING ACTS HAVE BEEN TOLERATED, UNDER SUSPICIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES, BY THE LOCAL PNP, BY THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO), THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MMDA), THE HIGHWAY PATROL GROUP (HPG), ENFORCERS OF LGU'S AND OTHER AGENCIES TASKED TO REGULATE TRAFFIC, EASE CONGESTION, AND DETER CRIMINALITIES COMMITTED IN THE STREETS.

IT IS INDEED INCUMBENT UPON THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO IMMEDIATELY UNDERTAKE AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE POSSIBLE BREACH OF OBLIGA-

TIONS, MALFEASANCE AND NON-FEASANCE IN THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTIES OF THE AFOREMENTIONED AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT INCLUDING ITS OFFICERS, IN ORDER TO RECTIFY THE LOOMING CRISIS”

By Representatives Teves and Atienza

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1564, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING HILARY DIANE ANDALES OF THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL FOR WINNING THE GRAND PRIZE OF THE 2017 BREAKTHROUGH JUNIOR CHALLENGE”

By Representatives Romualdez and Aumentado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Resolution No. 1565, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NOVEMBER 29, 2017 – EXTRAJUDICIAL KILLING OF RODRIGO TIMOTEO, PEASANT ACTIVISTS AND MEMBER OF THE COMPOSTELA FARMERS ASSOCIATION IN BRGY. MAMBUSAO, COMPOSTELA TOWN, COMPOSTELA VALLEY BY ALLEGED ELEMENTS OF 66TH INFANTRY BATTALION OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY”

By Representative Casilao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1566, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DECEMBER 9, 2017 – EXTRAJUDICIAL KILLING OF BERNARDO CLARION AND ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCE OF HIS BROTHER BENJIE, BOTH CULTURAL ACTIVISTS AND MEMBERS OF SULONG KUL-

TURA (SUKUL), BY ALLEGED ELEMENTS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) IN BUHANGIN DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1567, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DECEMBER 5, 2017 – ABDUCTION AND ILLEGAL DETENTION OF JEAN BAGUIO BUSTAMANTE, LUMAD AND MEMBER OF COMPOSTELA FARMERS ASSOCIATION – YOUTH, BY THE ELEMENTS OF 66TH INFANTRY BATTALION OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY IN BRGY. MAMBUSAO, COMPOSTELA TOWN, COMPOSTELA VALLEY”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1568, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE JULY 24, 2017 – EXTRA JUDICIAL KILLING OF ALBERTO TECSON, LEADER OF FISHERFOLK GROUP NAGKAHIUSANG MAG-UUMA UG MANGINGISDA SA BULADO (NAMABU), BY ALLEGED MEMBERS OF THE 79TH INFANTRY BATTALION OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY IN BRGY. BULADO, GUIHULNGAN CITY, NEGROS ORIENTAL”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1569, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CON-

DUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NOVEMBER 10, 2017 – ABDUCTION, TORTURE AND ILLEGAL ARREST OF CARLITO JAMES BADDILLO, LEADER OF TAG-ALAG FARMERS AND FISHERFOLKS ASSOCIATION AND MEMBER OF PEOPLE SURGE, GROUP OF TYPHOON YOLANDA VICTIMS, BY ELEMENTS OF THE 87TH INFANTRY BATTALION OF THE PHILIPPINE ARMY IN MARABUT TOWN, SAMAR”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

NATOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST SHERWIN DE VERA AND URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SAID VIOLATION OF HIS HUMAN RIGHTS”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

Dec. 19, 2017

House Resolution No. 1570, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE POTENTIAL SECURITY ISSUES WITH THE ENTRY OF CHINA TELECOM CORPORATION LTD. IN THE PHILIPPINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY”

By Representative Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1571, entitled:

“RESOLUTION STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE CONTINUING HARASSMENT OF AND VILIFICATION CAMPAIGN AGAINST PEOPLES' ORGANIZATIONS IN LA UNION AND URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SAID HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATION”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1572, entitled:

“RESOLUTION STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE ARREST AND FILING OF TRUMPED-UP CHARGES AGAINST BAYAN MUNA REGIONAL COORDI-

**THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
OF THE HOUSE AND THE LADIES
AND GENTLEMEN OF THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES**

In accordance with my firm commitment to uplift the lives of the Filipino people, I sign into law Republic Act (RA) No. 10963, entitled “AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 24, 25, 27, 31, 32, 33, 34, 51, 52, 56, 57, 58, 74, 79, 84, 86, 90, 91, 97, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 114, 116, 127, 128, 129, 145, 148, 149, 151, 155, 171, 174, 175, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 186, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 232, 236, 237, 249, 254, 264, 269, AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 51-A, 148-A, 150-A, 150-B, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B, AND 265-A; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 35, 62, AND 89; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,” or the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Act.

I. GENERAL COMMENTS

For two decades, we have been constrained by the outdated provisions of our tax laws under the National Internal Revenue Code, as amended. In particular, the high personal income tax rates have placed a significant burden to our laborers. Today, a major breakthrough in the legislative history has taken place, where we not only break this trend but provide for additional resources that we will use to fund the social and economic infrastructure that will benefit the poor.

This momentous achievement would not be possible without the collective efforts of our legislators in the 17th Congress, in particular, the Chairmen of the House Committee on Ways and Means, and the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

II. DIRECT VETO

By the power vested in me by Article VI, Section 27 (2) of the Constitution, which provides that “the President shall have the power to veto any particular item or items in an appropriation, revenue, or tariff bill,” I hereby register the following line item vetoes to this law:

A. Reduced income tax rate of employees of Regional Headquarters (RHQS), Regional Operating Headquarters (ROHQs), Offshore Banking Units (OBUS), and Petroleum Service Contractors and Subcontractors

I am constrained to veto the proviso under Section 6 (F) of the enrolled bill that effectively maintains the special tax rate of 15% of gross income for the aforementioned employees, to wit:

“PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT EXISTING RHQS/ROHQs, OBUS OR PETROLEUM SERVICE CONTRACTORS AND SUBCONTRACTORS PRESENTLY AVAILING OF PREFERENTIAL TAX RATES FOR QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES SHALL CONTINUE TO BE ENTITLED TO AVAIL OF THE PREFERENTIAL TAX RATE FOR PRESENT AND FUTURE QUALIFIED EMPLOYEES.”

While I understand the laudable objective of the proposal, the provision is violative of the Equal Protection Clause under Section 1, Article III of the 1987 Constitution, as well as the rule of equity and uniformity in the application of the burden of taxation:

Section 1. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, **nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of the laws.**

In line with this, the overriding consideration is the promotion of fairness of the tax system for individuals performing similar work. Given the significant reduction in the personal income tax, the employees of these firms should follow the regular tax rates applicable to other individual taxpayers.

B. Zero-rating of sales of goods and services to separate customs territory and tourism enterprise zones

Second, I am constrained to veto the provisions under Section 31 and Section 33 of the enrolled bill, to wit:

Section 31:

(2) SALE AND DELIVERY OF GOODS TO:

- (i) REGISTERED ENTERPRISES WITHIN A SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY AS PROVIDED UNDER SPECIAL LAWS; AND
- (ii) REGISTERED ENTERPRISES WITHIN TOURISM ENTERPRISE ZONES AS DECLARED BY THE TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENTERPRISE ZONE AUTHORITY (TIEZA) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9593 OR THE TOURISM ACT OF 2009.

Section 33:

(8) SERVICES RENDERED TO:

- I. REGISTERED ENTERPRISES WITHIN A SEPARATE CUSTOMS TERRITORY AS PROVIDED UNDER SPECIAL LAWS; AND
- II. REGISTERED ENTERPRISES WITHIN TOURISM ENTERPRISE ZONES AS DECLARED BY THE TIEZA SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9593 OR THE TOURISM ACT OF 2009.

The above provisions go against the principle of limiting the VAT zero-rating to direct exporters. The proliferation of separate customs territories, which include buildings, creates significant leakages in our tax system. This makes the tax system highly inequitable and significantly reduces the revenues that could be better used for the poor. As to tourism enterprises, the current law only allows for

duty and tax free importation of capital equipment, transportation equipment and other goods. The TIEZA Law explicitly allows only duty and tax free importation of capital equipment, transportation equipment and other goods (in certain cases and always subject to rules provided by the DOF). Thus, this provision actually grants a new incentive to suppliers of registered tourism enterprises. At any rate, the TIEZA law, which is still in effect for two more years, can be used to avail of the above mentioned incentives.

C. Exemption from percentage tax of gross sales/receipts not exceeding five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00)

I am constrained to veto the provision which provides for the above under line 12 of Sec. 38 in the enrolled bill, to wit:

“AND BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2019, SELF-EMPLOYED AND PROFESSIONALS WITH TOTAL ANNUAL GROSS SALES AND/OR GROSS RECEIPTS NOT EXCEEDING FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000).”

The proposed exemption from percentage tax will result in unnecessary erosion of revenues and would lead to abuse and leakages. The subject taxpayers under this provision are already exempted from the VAT, thus, the lower three percent percentage tax on gross sales or gross receipts is considered as their fair share in contributing to the revenue base of the country.

D. Exemption of various petroleum products from excise tax when used as input, feedstock, or as raw material in the manufacturing of petrochemical products, or in the refining of petroleum products, or as replacement fuel for natural gas fired combined cycle power plants

I am constrained to veto the provision which provides for the above under line 25 Sec. 43 of the enrolled bill, to wit:

“PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, INCLUDING NAPHTHA, LPG, PETROLEUM, COKE, REFINERY FUEL AND OTHER PRODUCTS OF DISTILLATION, WHEN USED AS INPUT, FEEDSTOCK OR AS RAW MATERIAL IN THE MANUFACTURING OF PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS, OR IN THE

REFINING OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS, OR AS REPLACEMENT FUEL FOR NATURAL-GAS-FIRED-COMBINED CYCLE POWER PLANT [,] IN LIEU OF LOCALLY-EXTRACTED NATURAL GAS DURING THE NON-AVAILABILITY THEREOF, SUBJECT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO BE PROMULGATED BY THE SECRETARY OF FINANCE, PER LITER OF VOLUME CAPACITY, ZERO (P0.00); FURTHERMORE, THAT THE BY-PRODUCT INCLUDING FUEL OIL, DIESEL FUEL, KEROSENE, PYROLYSIS GASOLINE, LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GASES, AND SIMILAR OILS HAVING MORE OR LESS THE SAME GENERATING POWER, WHICH ARE PRODUCED IN THE PROCESSING OF NAPHTHA INTO PETROCHEMICAL PRODUCTS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE APPLICABLE EXCISE TAX SPECIFIED IN THE SECTION, EXCEPT WHEN SUCH BY-PRODUCTS ARE TRANSFERRED TO ANY OF THE LOCAL OIL REFINERIES THROUGH SALE, BARTER OR EXCHANGE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHER PROCESSING OR BLENDING INTO FINISHED PRODUCTS WHICH ARE SUBJECT TO EXCISE TAX UNDER THIS SECTION.”

The provision runs the risk of being too general, covering all types of petroleum products, which may be subject to abuse by taxpayers, and thus lead to massive revenue erosion. At any rate, the tax code already identifies which petroleum products can be exempted.

E. Earmarking of incremental tobacco taxes

I am constrained to veto the provision which provides for the above in lines 20 to 29 of Sec. 82 of the enrolled bill, to wit:

“NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISIONS HEREIN TO THE CONTRARY, THE INCREMENTAL REVENUES FROM THE TOBACCO TAXES UNDER THIS ACT SHALL BE SUBJECT TO SECTION 3 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7171, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE FARMER IN THE VIRGINIA TOBACCO

PRODUCING PROVINCES', AND SECTION 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8240, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 138, 140 & 142 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.'”

The provision effectively amends the Sin Tax Law, or RA 10351, which provides for guaranteed funds for universal health care. The provision will effectively diminish the share of the health sector in the proposed allocation.

III. CLOSING STATEMENT

I am very pleased to sign this very important piece of legislation mainly because of my sincere objective to help our poor countrymen and ease the burden of the common taxpayers. This government will do its best to implement this noble objective under the tax reform package while maintaining fiscal discipline and adhering to the true principles of taxation: fair, simple, and efficient.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

Dec. 19, 2017

**THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Today marks an important milestone for our country as I sign into law the first financial blueprint of my Administration—Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10964, the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018, entitled “AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

As I carry out the duties and responsibilities entrusted to me by the Filipino people, this FY 2018 Budget, the second under this Administration, will be the means to ensure that the reforms needed to

move us forward will come to fruition. With this instrument, we are assured of genuine and lasting change—the dynamic transformation that will finally get our country and people on the path to prosperity.

Armed with a P3.767 trillion expenditure plan, this Administration aims to further strengthen the foundation for the *matatag, maginhawa at panatag na buhay* that Filipinos aspire for. We are confident that through a responsible and disciplined implementation of this financial plan, we can fulfill our commitment to bring about the change that our people have long sought for – by reducing inequality, enhancing the social fabric, increasing our growth potential, providing an enabling and supportive environment, and maintaining the groundwork for sustainable development. Together, we can turn this aspiration into reality.

Sa Administrasyong ito, sama-sama tayo sa kaunlaran. Walang iwanan!

I. GENERAL COMMENTS

To give ample time for Congress to scrutinize the 2018 Budget, I submitted the then proposed Budget to Congress on the same day that I delivered my second State of the Nation Address. It was one of the earliest submissions in Philippine history.

The passage of the 2018 Budget six days before Christmas is an indication of the appreciation by the ladies and gentlemen of Congress of the urgency that characterized our action, and their willingness to support it because it is for the good of the people we serve. Within the season of thanksgiving and hope, this will be our gift to the Filipino people. And one they rightfully deserve, for the trust they have given us.

Nagpapasalamat ako sa Kongreso at hindi tayo binigo. Indeed, the Members of Congress are our partners in our journey towards a more prosperous future.

Powered by a sound financing program and carefully crafted priorities, the 2018 Budget will not only foster the golden age of infrastructure and secure peace and order, but also accelerate human capital development for sustained and inclusive growth.

We are all the more certain of this because of the timely passage of the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion Act, which can further guarantee the smooth execution of the Budget.

Consistent with the foregoing aspirations, I hereby exercise my constitutional duty and register the following veto actions in this year's GAA:

II. ITEMS FOR DIRECT VETO

Under my Administration, attempts to circumvent the Constitution will never be countenanced. By constitutional fiat, specifically Section 25 (2), Article VI of the 1987 Constitution, provisions embraced in this Budget which do not relate to some particular appropriation and are introduced herein with the purpose of amending existing laws and rules have no place in the general appropriations bill. These 'rider' provisions must accordingly be subject to direct veto.

Thus, I am constrained to veto the grant of monitoring expenses in **Other Executive Offices (OEOs)-Movie and Television Review and Classification Board (MTRCB), Special Provision No. 2, "Monitoring Expenses of Board Members," Volume I-B, page 252.** Under the Salary Standardization Law and its implementing rules, board members are already authorized to receive honoraria or per diems in the performance of their official functions. Other necessary expenses incurred in the conduct of monitoring and evaluation by the MTRCB may be allowed, subject to budgeting, accounting, and auditing laws, rules and regulations.

Similarly, **General Provisions, Section 87, "Collection of Fees in Relation to the Retention or Reacquisition of Philippine Citizenship," Volume I-B, page 637,** which prohibits the imposition and collections of fees and **Department of Education (DepEd)-Office of the Secretary (OSEC), Special Provision No. 14, "Use of School Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses for Payment of Items That May Be Classified as Capital Outlay," Volume I-A, page 189,** which authorizes the DepEd to use appropriations for Maintenance and Other Operating Requirements (MOOE) for its Capital Outlay requirements, are hereby directly vetoed.

Agencies of the government cannot be deprived of their inherent authority to assess reasonable fees in the provision of services. In fact, Section 54, Chapter 12, Book IV of Executive Order (EO) No. 292, s. 1987 empowers the heads of agencies to update their rates of fees and charges to recover the costs of rendered services. On the other hand, agencies ought to spend what is programmed in their appropriations and any modification shall first comply

with the requirements provided under the General Provisions in this Act.

Indeed, the laws and rules I referred to cannot be simply changed by the inclusion of the vetoed special provisions. Their amendments are matters of general legislation which can be properly dealt with in a separate substantive law.

I am likewise duty-bound to veto the use of income provided in **OEOs-Energy Regulatory Commission (ERC), Special Provision No. 1, "Use of Income," Volume I-B, page 225,** to augment the operational requirements of the ERC. Apart from being a rider, the sources of income enumerated have already been included in the Non-Tax Revenue Program for FY 2018, thereby resulting in double programming for the said income sources. The ERC should instead make efficient use of its budget and automatic appropriations in the amount of P413.60 M.

III. CONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION

Pursuant to Sections 1 and 17, Article VII of the Constitution, there are provisions in this Budget whose implementation ought to be subjected to certain conditions to ensure the consistent and faithful execution of existing laws, policies, and rules and regulations.

A. Double Programming of Funding Sources

The use of income that is already part of the funding sources for the implementation of this Budget amounts to double programming which effectively reduces the revenue sources of this year's Budget law and unjustifiably increases the appropriations of these agencies, which are already provided for in this Act. This justifies the conditional implementation of the use of income and collections under **Department of Science and Technology (DOST)-OSEC, Special Provision No. 1, "Use of Income," Volume I-A, page 1364 and OEOs-Dangerous Drugs Board (DDB), Special Provision No. 1, "Collections for Drug Rehabilitation Activities," Volume I-B, page 222** even if the same are authorized under existing laws. The creation of a revolving fund for the Research and Development Institutes of the DOST and the use of collections by the DDB are therefore subject to generation of income and collections in excess of those forming part of the revenue sources programmed for the FY 2018 GAA.

B. The GAA as the Allotment Order

A transformational Budget is an enabler of reforms; one that puts to fruition our developmental goals with the timely implementation of programs and projects in the GAA. With the adoption of the GAA as the allotment order, agencies need not line up for the issuance of an allotment order for the release of appropriations, except those identified by the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) as requiring compliance with conditions or submission of requirements prior to the release of allotment. Accordingly, this cannot be considered as a deferral of appropriations contemplated under **General Provisions, Sections 62 and 63, “Meaning of Impoundment” and “Impoundment of Appropriations,”** respectively, **Volume I-B, pages 632 and 633.** Deferral of appropriations under these provisions thus pertains only to instances not covered by Section 3 of the General Provisions in this Act.

C. Efficient Use of Appropriations

Our continued advocacy for genuine and meaningful change is hinged primarily on our commitment to responsible fiscal and budgeting policies which Congress has resoundingly espoused with the adoption of the one-year validity of appropriations under Section 59 of the General Provisions in this Act. This responsibility ought to be imposed on all agencies of the government, including government-owned or -controlled corporations (GOCCs), which explains why I am placing Budgetary Support to Government Corporations (BSGC) Others, Special Provision No. 11, “Availability of Subsidy to GOCCs,” page 565 under conditional implementation. Hence, all subsidy releases to GOCCs shall be utilized until December 31, 2018, and any unexpended balance shall revert to the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund in accordance with Section 28, Chapter 4, Book VI of EO No. 292.

In a similar vein, the financial independence of courts from local interference is made more certain with the direct provision of MOOE to all lower courts in the country. With this in mind, I hereby urge the Supreme Court to ensure the equitable allocation and immediate release of its MOOE as provided under Judiciary, Special Provision No. 7, “Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses of Lower Courts,” Volume I-B, page 422 to all lower courts. Indeed, the fair and efficient delivery of justice in the country is served well with a decentralized system, where the national government is able to directly release funds to lower courts.

The efficient use of appropriations entails as well that agencies implement those programmed in their budgets. Thus, the MOOE of elementary and secondary schools in the amount of Twenty-Two Billion Eight Hundred Eighty-Five Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Pesos (P22,885,969,000.00) referred to in DepEd-OSEC, Special Provision No. 14, “Use of School Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) for Payment of Items that may be Classified as Capital Outlay,” Volume I-A, page 189 shall be used for the said purpose. Any modification, such as for the school's capital outlay requirements, may be made in justifiable circumstances, and upon compliance with the General Provision and pertinent rules in the modification of allotment.

Relatedly, the efficient use of funds equally calls for the judicious application of all available funding sources set aside for a similar purpose. A case in point is the appropriations in this Act for the payment of insurance coverage of government facilities embedded in the budgets of agencies, under the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Fund (NDRRMF), and the one authorized in the Unprogrammed Appropriations, Special Provision No. 5, “General Fund Adjustment for Use of Excess Income,” Volume I-B, page 607. In the implementation of this provision, the DBM and the Bureau of the Treasury shall ensure that only those not yet covered in the budgets of agencies and by the NDRRMF, or deficiencies therein, may be funded under the Unprogrammed Appropriations.

Over the years, public-private partnership (PPP) programs have allowed the government to focus on other national priorities by involving the private sector in the financing of government projects where their expertise and competence best serve the national interest. The government in turn builds on the rudimentary requirements of PPP programs such as right-of-way acquisitions, engagement of independent consultants, and provision of cash subsidy through the PPP Strategic Support Fund under Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)-OSEC, Special Provision No. 5, “Public Private Partnership Infrastructure Projects,” Volume I-A, page 1168. Therefore, the use of this fund for feasibility studies should be read in conjunction with the Project Development and Monitoring Facility (PDMF) Fund, which properly covers all preparatory activities to the undertaking of PPP projects. In the interest of optimizing all available resources, funding for feasibility studies of PPP projects shall be sourced primarily from the PDMF Fund and secondarily from the PPP Strategic Support Fund.

Of similar import is the additional funding for the grant of tuition subsidy to medical students enrolled in State Universities and Colleges under OEOs-Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Special Provision No. 8, "Cash Grant to Medical Students," Volume I-B, page 203. I hereby task the CHED to ensure that the implementation of this cash grant to medical students is harmonized with the comparable Pre-service Scholarship Program of the Department of Health, which aims to provide scholarships to medical students who shall, upon qualification, provide their medical services in far-flung areas and underserved communities.

D. Protection to Government Employees

While I recognize the convenience afforded to government employees in authorizing agencies to deduct the amount of their contributions and obligations to financing institutions under General Provisions, Section 48, "Authorized Deductions," Volume I-B, page 629, their overall protection remains to be my primordial concern. Government agencies are not merely collecting agents for these institutions, but influential representatives of government employees availing of this salary deduction facility. Government agencies should, therefore, leverage the facility given to these institutions to secure for government employees the most favorable terms possible for the protection of their rights and the promotion of their interest.

I take special note of the plight of our employees at the Bureau of Immigration, who constitute the first line of defense in securing our borders. Under the 2017 GAA, 936 additional positions have been created and the amount of P224.83 million has been allocated for overtime pay of immigration personnel. Sadly, their basic monthly pay, on which overtime rates are based, has remained extremely low in relation to the nature of work that they perform, thereby leading to a large number of resignations and causing prejudice to the efficient delivery of a front-line service.

Until the Congress has enacted a new Immigration Modernization Law in 2018 which will upgrade the compensation system in the Bureau of Immigration, I will allow the establishment of a trust fund to be constituted from the express lane fees and charges collected by the BI for the payment of salaries and overtime to employees of the BI under Department of Justice (DOJ)-BI, Special Provision No. 1, "Immigration Fees and Collections," Volume I-A, page 1062, subject to such guidelines as the Secretary of Justice, the Secretary of Budget and

Management, and the Commission on Audit may promulgate.

E. Universal Health Insurance Coverage

The goal of universal health insurance coverage is well within our reach with the national government's continued provision for health insurance premium contributions to the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth). With more reason that the release of the government support for the supplemental PhilHealth benefits under **BSGC-PhilHealth, Special Provision No. 3, "PhilHealth Supplemental Benefits," Volume I-B, page 511** be conditioned upon the full utilization of the amount of P3.5 B appropriated for the expanded PhilHealth benefits under the Miscellaneous Personnel Benefits Fund. The implementation of the above additional PhilHealth benefits should be harmonized in order to avoid the duplication of programs and beneficiaries that can only curtail the advancement of universal health insurance coverage in the country.

The same can be said of the **BSGC-PhilHealth, Special Provision No. 2, "Attainment of Universal Coverage," Volume I-B, page 511**, on the implementation of the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP). More importantly, the national government's budgetary support for the NHIP covers only the payment of insurance premium in accordance with Section 2 of RA No. 7875, as amended by RA No. 10606. Thus, no amount appropriated under this special provision may be used for the reimbursement of the actual cost of availing of health insurance, which is properly within the province and responsibility of PhilHealth as the insuring agent.

F. Funding Requirements of the Philippine Foreign Service

As Filipinos adapt to globalization, our government has remained steadfast in our commitment to foster and safeguard their interest by providing the familiar warmth and comfort of home through our foreign service posts. To ensure the uninterrupted delivery of services to Filipinos the world over, foreign service posts are authorized to maintain their own working fund from income collected abroad, subject to the appropriations authorized in this Act in compliance with the constitutional edict that "[n]o money shall be paid out of the Treasury except in pursuance of an appropriation made by law," Section 29 (1), Article VI of the Constitution. True to this requirement, the authority of foreign service posts to use the unutilized cash of their working

fund under **Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)-OSEC, Special Provision No. 1, "DFA Working Funds," Volume I-A, page 929** shall not exceed the appropriations authorized for the purpose and shall be subject to the cash disbursement ceiling imposed by the DBM, and any guidelines issued for the implementation of this provision shall recognize these limitations.

On the other hand, the efficient use of the Building Fund under the **DFA-OSEC, Special Provision No. 3, "Building Fund," Volume I-A, page 929**, requires the DFA to prioritize the acquisition and renovation of chanceries and residences, as well as consular offices of the Philippine Foreign Service that have been programmed for the year. Moreover, the use of the Building Fund for the lease of these facilities shall cover only countries with foreign ownership limitations and under terms and conditions that are beneficial to the Philippine government.

Correspondingly, lease agreements covering chanceries, residences, and consular offices under **DFA-OSEC, Special Provision No. 9, "Rentals of Philippine Chanceries, Consular Offices or Official Residences," Volume I-A, page 930**, shall comply with the requirements on the issuance of a multi-year obligational authority, the advance payment of rentals, and the provision of living quarters allowance, whenever applicable.

G. Compliance with Existing Laws, Policies, Rules and Regulations

Finally, the following provisions are equally placed under conditional implementation in order that the requirements of existing laws, policies, rules and regulations are consistently observed:

1. Approval of the Fiscal Incentives Review Board that the importations, grants and donations of the Philippine Coast Guard and the National Coast Watch Center under **Section 15, General Provisions, "National Internal Revenue Taxes and Import Duties," Volume I-B, page 624**, are considered as non-cash transactions qualified for tax subsidy status.
2. The approval of DBM with respect to the creation of positions in **DepEd-OSEC, Special Provision No. 11, "Creation of Teaching Positions, Recruitment and Appointment of School," Volume I-A, page 188**, and the grant of hazard duty pay

under **DOJ-National Bureau of Investigation, Special Provision No. 2, "Hazard Duty Pay," Volume I-A, page 1068**.

3. The evaluation and recommendation of the Department of Information and Communications Technology and approval by the Medium-Term Information and Communications Technology Harmonization Initiative Steering Committee of the Digitization Program of the Philippine National Police (PNP) under **Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG)-PNP, Special Provision No. 6, "Digitization Program of the Internal Affairs Service," Volume I-A, page 1030** and the Expansion of the Bulk and Break Bulk Enhancement Program of the Bureau of Customs (BOC) provided in **Department of Finance-BOC, Special Provision No. 6, "Expansion of the Bulk and Break Bulk Enhancement Program to Include Containerized Cargoes," Volume I-A, page 889**.
4. Compliance with the appropriate standards under the National Building Code, as amended, the Philippine Green Building Code, and the latest edition of the National Structural Code of the Philippines (NSCP) in the design and construction of government facilities in the implementation of **General Provisions, Section 36, "Disaster and Climate Change Resiliency of Government Facilities," Volume I-B, page 627, Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)-OSEC, Special Provision No. 20, "Evacuation Centers," Volume I-A, page 1169, and DILG-OSEC, Special Provision No. 7, "Evacuation Centers," Volume I-A, page 1000**.

Of particular importance is the added responsibility of the DPWH, in consultation with the Civil Engineering Board and other stakeholders, to continuously study, review and update the standards set under the NSCP to ensure that all infrastructure, buildings, and facilities in the country are designed and constructed with the latest technology, innovation and developments in the construction industry to adequately withstand and minimize the damages brought about by typhoons and other calamities.

Allow me to emphasize the role of the DILG, pursuant to its supervisory mandate

over local government units (LGUs), to oversee the LGUs' observance of the foregoing standards and continued vigilance in mitigating the effects of calamities.

5. To limit the financial assistance to LGUs for the repair of bridges under **Allocation to LGUs-Local Government Support Fund, Special Provision No. 3, "Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces for Road Repair," Volume II-B, page 585**, to those that form part of the road network or within the station limits of the road project consistent with the Program's objective to elevate provincial roads to the same quality, status and performance as that of city roads.
6. To exclude other MOOE as an allowable Engineering and Administrative Overhead (EAO) expenses under **DPWH-OSEC Special Provision No. 13, "Engineering and Administrative Overhead Expenses," Volume I-A, Page 1168** and treat only those enumerated in items (i) to (vi) of the second paragraph of this provision as proper EAO expenses.

IV. GENERAL OBSERVATION

As in the previous year, I trust that the **Congress of the Philippines, Special Provision No. 2, "Organizational Structure of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals and the Commission on Appointments," Volume I-A, page 15** will be implemented in faithful observance of the constitutional mandate of salary standardization and prohibition on the grant of additional or double compensation to government personnel, as well as the existing policies and rules on the creation of new positions and other modifications or adjustments in their Organizational and Staffing Structure. I extend the same conviction in regard to the application of **Civil Service Commission, Special Provision No. 1, "Organizational Structure," Volume I-B, page 438**.

On the other hand, the release and disbursement of funds for the University of the Philippines System as provided in **State Universities and Colleges-University of the Philippines System, Special Provision No. 3, "Appropriations of the University of the Philippines System," Volume I-A, page 377** is understood to be made in accordance with pertinent budgeting, accounting, and auditing laws, policies, rules and regulations, as the provi-

sions of RA No. 9500 do not divest relevant authorities of their power to consistently implement laws, policies, rules and regulations.

In conclusion, I affirm that the appropriations under **OEOs-National Commission on Muslim Filipinos (NCMF), Special Provision No. 2, "Appropriations for the NCMF Supervising Team in the Hajj," Volume I-B, page 287** relate to the administrative cost of the NCMF in providing support services for the annual pilgrimage of our Muslim brothers and sisters.

V. SHARED FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

The grant of fiscal autonomy carries with it the guarantee of full flexibility to allocate and utilize government resources. More than this, it conveys a greater, almost altruistic sense of fiscal responsibility, one that demands freedom and autonomy to hold one's self publicly accountable for all government financial undertakings.

I hereby call on the heads of all the Constitutional Fiscal Autonomy Group (CFAG) to answer the clarion call for a shared fiscal responsibility. This is the overriding principle behind the Budget Reform Bill pending deliberations before the Congress. As your President, I ought to steel my mind and press upon this needed fiscal reform as one of the imperatives of growth and the promise of change that brought me to the helm of Government.

There is no better way to inculcate fiscal prudence and sound financial management than to adopt the one-year validity of appropriations in the FY 2018 Budget. Alongside this policy is the reversion of all unexpended balance of appropriations to the National Treasury by the end of FY 2018. Towards this end, I hereby direct the Executive Branch and strongly urge the CFAG to apply the reversion of all unexpended balances of appropriations in pursuit of genuine fiscal autonomy.

VI. INCREASES OF APPROPRIATIONS AND NEW BUDGETARY ITEMS

As a final point, there are a number of increases in the appropriations and new budgetary items introduced by the Congress in this Budget. In line with the principle of responsible financial management, these shall be subject to the submission of a Special Budget to the DBM under Section 35, Chapter V, Book VI of EO No. 292.

Moreover, all increases and decreases in the appropriations and new budgetary items should carry

with them the corresponding adjustments in the respective outputs and improved outcomes of the agencies concerned.

VII. CLOSING REMARKS

The FY 2018 Budget is the first full budget prepared by my Administration, from “inception to execution.” And I am proud to share with you this document — with all its potential to reform and transform our country — as we move forward into another year in our journey to real and lasting positive change.

Over the past few months that we had been preparing this Budget, we made sure that every policy, program, and activity would address and respond to the most pressing needs of our people. This is because we recognize the importance of the people, of giving them enough opportunities to reach their fullest potential as we pursue development in which they are the key players.

As I have said before, “The budget is useless if Filipinos are not at the center of it.”

At the core of this Budget is the spirit of reforming and transforming; that for every peso we spend, we help uplift the lives of our people, most especially the marginalized and those in the countryside.

As public servants, we always aim to give to our people what they rightfully deserve. And they deserve no less than these — the highest ideals which we aspire for and the best of our efforts in all that we do.

Let us all commit to continue to do this not just for the next year, but while we are here to fulfill the mandate bestowed upon us.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5150, entitled:

“AN ACT EFFECTING THE TRANSITION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY OF SURIGAO STATE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY, SIARGAO NATIONAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND SURIGAO DEL NORTE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10600, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SURIGAO DEL NORTE STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE BY INTEGRATING THE SURIGAO STATE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY IN SURIGAO CITY, THE SIARGAO NATIONAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DEL CARMEN AND THE SURIGAO DEL NORTE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAINIT, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR'”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5151, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR ITS CONVERSION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10583, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT CONVERTING THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BONTOC, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE STATE UNIVERSITY, WITH CAMPUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TADIAN, BAUKO, PARACELIS AND BARLIG, ALL LOCATED IN MOUNTAIN PROVINCE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on

even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 3179, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF MINDORO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CONVERSION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10596, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT CONVERTING THE MINDORO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VICTORIA, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MINDORO STATE UNIVERSITY (MINSU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5147, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE TALISAY CITY COLLEGE IN THE CITY OF TALISAY, PROVINCE OF CEBU INTO THE TALISAY CITY STATE COLLEGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10594, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE COLLEGE IN THE CITY OF TALISAY, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE TALISAY CITY STATE COLLEGE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5148, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING THE ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AS THE ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY OF FISHERIES SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF THE ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY

WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10604, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT CONVERTING THE ILOILO STATE COLLEGE OF FISHERIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC NUEVO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, WITH CAMPUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF SAN ENRIQUE, DINGLE AND DUMANGAS, AND INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE BAROTAC NUEVO POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC NUEVO, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 2737, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF THE NORTHERN ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CONVERSION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10597, ENTITLED 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NORTHERN ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO BY INTEGRATING THE NORTHERN ILOILO POLYTECHNIC STATE COLLEGE (NIPSC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ESTANCIA, THE NIPSC-BAROTAC VIEJO CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC VIEJO, THE AJUY POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF AJUY, THE BATAD POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BATAD, THE CONCEPCION POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION, THE LEMERY POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LEMERY AND THE VICTORINO SALCEDO POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SARA, ALL

LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILO-
ILO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendment House Bill No. 5146, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMPOSTELA VALLEY STATE COLLEGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10598, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF COMPOSTELA, PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY TO BE KNOWN AS COMPOSTELA VALLEY STATE COLLEGE, INTEGRATING THEREWITH AS REGULAR BRANCHES THE BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTERNAL STUDIES CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MONKAYO, MARAGUSAN, MONTEVISTA AND NEW BATAAN, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5149, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF COTABATO CITY STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED) FOR CONVERSION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10585, ENTITLED: 'AN ACT CONVERTING THE COTABATO CITY STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN COTABATO CITY INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE COTABATO STATE UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5051, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY HULONG-DAGAT, CITY OF MALABON TO BE KNOWN AS MALABON CITY NATIONAL SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed without amendment the following House Bills:

House Bill No. 4469, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE TUBLAY SCHOOL OF HOME INDUSTRIES EXTENSION IN BARANGAY TUBLAY CENTRAL, MUNICIPALITY OF TUBLAY, PROVINCE OF BENGUET FROM THE TUBLAY SCHOOL OF HOME INDUSTRIES MAIN, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TUBLAY NATIONAL TRADE HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 4597, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CONCEPCION DOS IN THE SECOND DISTRICT, CITY OF MARIKINA TO BE KNOWN AS SSS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 400, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PASONG TAMO, QUEZON CITY, METRO MANILA TO BE KNOWN AS EMILIO JACINTO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 4598, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY NASISI, CITY OF LIGAO, PROVINCE OF ALBAY TO BE KNOWN AS LIGAO CITY NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5183, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY HAMPANGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF HILONGOS, PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS HAMPANGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 4524, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE SAN RAFAEL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS INTO A NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN RAFAEL TECHNOLOGICAL AND VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5052, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BANAHAO, CITY OF BAYBAY, PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS BANAHAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 4599, entitled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF PAGADIAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS PAGADIAN CITY SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 2506, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PASO DE BLAS, VALENZUELA CITY TO BE

KNOWN AS PASO DE BLAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 2508, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BAGBAGUIN, VALENZUELA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS BAGBAGUIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 3438, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY UGONG, VALENZUELA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS ANTONIO M. SERAPIO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5754, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE RIZAL NATIONAL SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADES – SANTOR EXTENSION IN BARANGAY SANTOR, MUNICIPALITY OF RIZAL, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE RIZAL NATIONAL SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADES, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SANTOR NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5755, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE PARAÑAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – DON BOSCO EXTENSION IN BARANGAY DON BOSCO, PARAÑAQUE CITY, FROM THE PARAÑAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DON BOSCO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5756, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY DEPAPE, MUNICIPALITY OF BAYOG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL

SUR TO BE KNOWN AS DEPASE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5757, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE PARAÑAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-SAN ANTONIO HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN ANTONIO, PARAÑAQUE CITY, FROM THE PARAÑAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN ANTONIO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PARAÑAQUE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5758, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE BOKOD NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – DAKLAN EXTENSION IN BARANGAY DAKLAN, MUNICIPALITY OF BOKOD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET FROM THE BOKOD NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DAKLAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 5803, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MANLILISID, MUNICIPALITY OF JAVIER, PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS MANLILISID NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 2507, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY UGONG, VALENZUELA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS JUSTICE ELIEZER R. DE LOS SANTOS HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6081, entitled:

“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF MANLABANG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MAN-

LABANG, MUNICIPALITY OF CAIBIRAN, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN, TO CAIBIRAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL”;

House Bill No. 6099, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL – MUSIMUT ANNEX IN BARANGAY MUSIMUT, MUNICIPALITY OF KABUGAO, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MUSIMUT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6100, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE GOVERNOR BENJAMIN LEGUIAB, SR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – SACPIL ANNEX IN BARANGAY SACPIL, MUNICIPALITY OF CONNER, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE GOVERNOR BENJAMIN LEGUIAB, SR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SACPIL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6101, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – CACALAGGAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY CACALAGGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PUDTOL, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAWIT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6103, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CONNER CENTRAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

– GUINA-ANG ANNEX IN BARANGAY GUINA-ANG, MUNICIPALITY OF CONNER, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE CONNER CENTRAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS GUINA-ANG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”; and

House Bill No. 5550, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING CAMALOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – MALAGNAT EXTENSION IN BARANGAY MALAGNAT, MUNICIPALITY OF PINUKPUK, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE CAMALOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MALAGNAT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed without amendment the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill No. 1103, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES-SABLAYAN CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SABLAYAN, OCCIDENTAL MINDORO TO BE KNOWN AS 'PUP-SABLAYAN CAMPUS' APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”; and

Senate Bill No. 884, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES-SAN JUAN CAMPUS IN THE CITY OF SAN JUAN, METRO MANILA TO BE KNOWN AS PUP-SAN JUAN CAMPUS APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed Senate Bill No. 1299, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING THAT ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) OF THE SERVICE CHARGE COLLECTED IN HOTELS AND OTHER ESTABLISHMENTS BE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL COVERED EMPLOYEES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed Senate Bill No. 1456, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (PQF) AND ESTABLISHING THE PQF-NATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 11, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed Senate Joint Resolution No. 8, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY TO AWARD TO OTHER QUALIFIED BENEFICIARIES THE UNAWARDED HOUSING UNITS, AWARDED HOUSING UNITS THAT ARE NOT YET OCCUPIED AND WHOSE OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION ARE SURRENDERED BY THEIR RESPECTIVE AWARDEES, AND HOUSING UNITS WHOSE RESPECTIVE AWARDS WERE CANCELLED IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP)/PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP)/BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (BFP)/BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND

PENOLOGY (BJMP)/BUREAU OF
CORRECTIONS (BUCOR) HOUSING
PROJECTS”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 12, 2017, informing
the House of Representatives that the Sen-
ate on December 11, 2017 approved the
Conference Committee Report of the Bi-
cameral Conference Committee on the dis-
agreeing provisions of the following:

House Bill No. 5212, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE
FRANCHISE GRANTED TO FILIPI-
NAS BROADCASTING ASSOCIA-
TION, INC., PRESENTLY KNOWN AS
WORD BROADCASTING CORPORA-
TION, UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO.
7485, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANT-
ING FILIPINAS BROADCASTING AS-
SOCIATION, INC. A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAIN-
TAIN FOR COMMERCIAL PUR-
POSES RADIO BROADCASTING
AND TELEVISION STATIONS IN THE
VISAYAS AND MINDANAO AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”;

House Bill No. 5063, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE PANGASINAN
GULF WAVES NETWORK CORPORA-
TION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT,
INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND
MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION
BROADCASTING STATIONS
THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES”;

House Bill No. 5175, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE
FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BETA
BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC.,
UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8026,
ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE
BETA BROADCASTING SYSTEM
CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO

CONSTRUCT, OPERATE AND MAIN-
TAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STA-
TIONS IN THE ISLAND OF LUZON,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”;

House Bill No. 5211, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE
FRANCHISE GRANTED TO GATEWAY
U.H.F. TELEVISION BROADCASTING,
INC., PRESENTLY KNOWN AS GATE-
WAY TELEVISION BROADCASTING,
INC., AND DOING BUSINESS UNDER
THE NAME AND STYLE OF HOPE
CHANNEL PHILIPPINES, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 7223, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANT-
ING GATEWAY U.H.F. TELEVISION
BROADCASTING, INC., A FRANCHISE
TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE
AND MAINTAIN FOR COMMERCIAL
PURPOSES UHF TELEVISION BROAD-
CASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIP-
PINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”;

House Bill No. 5176, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE
FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SARRAGA
INTEGRATED AND MANAGEMENT
CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 7478, ENTITLED 'AN ACT
GRANTING THE SARRAGA INTE-
GRATED AND MANAGEMENT COR-
PORATION OF THE PHILIPPINES A
FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, IN-
STALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN
FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RA-
DIO AND TELEVISION BROADCAST-
ING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”;

House Bill No. 4636, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING THE ILOILO BAP-
TIST CHURCH, INC. A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH,
OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO
AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING
STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES”;

House Bill No. 5177, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER
TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE

FRANCHISE GRANTED TO INFOCOM COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, INC. (PRESENTLY KNOWN AS NOW TELECOM COMPANY, INC.) UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7301, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING INFOCOM COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, INC. (ICNI), A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN MOBILE RADIO SYSTEMS SUCH AS RADIO PAGING SYSTEMS, CELLULAR PHONE SYSTEMS, PERSONAL COMMUNICATION NETWORK (PCN), AND TRUNKED RADIO SYSTEMS WITHIN AND WITHOUT THE PHILIPPINES FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES', AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7940'"; and

House Bill No. 5064, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SUBIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7511, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE SUBIC BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 12, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on December 11, 2017 adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE POSTHUMOUS CONFERMENT OF THE QUEZON SERVICE CROSS TO MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 13, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date adopted House Concurrent Resolution No. 13, entitled:

“CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REFLECTING THE CORRECT AMOUNT IN THE

SPECIAL PROVISIONS UNDER THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER ON THE PEACE PROCESS AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT FUND IN THE BICAMERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 6215, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE '2018 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL,' AS APPROVED BY THE BICAMERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE AND RATIFIED BY BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 13, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on December 11, 2017 reorganized its panel to the Joint Congressional Oversight Committee on Automated Election System, to wit:

1. Senator Francis “Chiz” G. Escudero – Chairman
2. Senator Antonio “Sonny” F. Trillanes IV – Vice-Chairman
3. Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay
4. Senator Sherwin “Win” Gatchalian
5. Senator Richard J. Gordon
6. Senator Paolo Benigno “Bam” Aquino IV
7. Senator Francis “Kiko” Pangilinan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 13, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date adopted House Bill No. 6572 as an amendment to Senate Bill No. 1456, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK (PQF) AND ESTABLISHING THE PQF-NATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 13, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date adopted House Joint Resolution No. 18 as an amendment to Senate Joint Resolution No. 11, entitled:

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 14, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on December 13, 2017 approved the Conference Committee Report of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1592, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 24, 25, 27, 28, 31, 33, 34, 35, 51, 52, 56, 57, 58, 74, 79, 84, 86, 89, 90, 91, 97, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 114, 116, 128, 148, 149, 150, 151, 155, 171, 174, 175, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 232, 236, 237, 249, 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”;

and House Bill No. 5636, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 22, 24, 25, 31, 32, 33, 34, 79, 84, 86, 99, 106, 107, 108, 109, 116, 148, 149, 155, 171, 232, 237, 254, 264, AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 148-A, 150-A, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B AND 265-A; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 35 AND 62, ALL UNDER THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATIONS

2016 Human Development Report of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

Letter dated October 30, 2017 of Roland A. Rey, Regional Director, Office of the Regional Director, Regional Office No. V, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with the Annual Audit Reports/Operations Audit Report for CY2016 on the following water districts in Region V:

1. Balatan Water District, Balatan, Camarines Sur (CY 2016 Operations Audit Report);
2. Bulan Water District, Bulan, Sorsogon;

3. Gubat Water District, Gubat, Sorsogon;
4. Irosin Water District, Irosin, Sorsogon;
5. Matnog Water District, Matnog, Sorsogon;
6. Metropolitan Naga Water District, J. Miranda Avenue, Naga City;
7. Ragay Water District, Ragay, Camarines Sur;
8. Sipocot Water District, Sipocot, Camarines Sur; and
9. Sorsogon Water District, Sorsogon City, Sorsogon.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated November 6, 2017 of EnP Veronica M. Rodriguez, Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator, Municipality of Hagonoy, Province of Davao del Sur, transmitting their 3rd Quarter 2017 Report of Fund Utilization and Status of Project Implementation of the Assistance to Disadvantaged Municipalities under the Local Government Support Fund (LGSF).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Letter dated 7 November 2017 of Edgardo R. Magsongsong, Administrator, National Electrification Administration, providing a copy to the House of Representatives of their Annual Report for Calendar Year 2016.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated November 20, 2017 of Lemuel Gin K. Traya, Municipal Mayor, Municipality of Abuyog, Province of Leyte, transmitting their report on ADM/LGSF fund utilization and status of program/project implementation for the Third Quarter of 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 22 November 2017 of Nestor A. Espenilla Jr., Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, submitting their Report to Congress on Public Sector/Publicly-Guaranteed Private Sector Foreign Loans approved by the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas in the Third Quarter of 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated November 24, 2017 of Catalino S. Cuy, Officer-in-Charge, Department of the Interior

and Local Government, submitting the Statement of Allotments, Obligations and Balances (Current and Cont. Appropriations) of the Office of the Secretary, this Department, as of October 31, 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated December 1, 2017 of Maria Gleda E. Lim, State Auditor V, Supervising Auditor, Office of the Supervising Auditor, Audit Groups CGS I and II-Water Districts and Other CGS Stand Alone Agencies, Regional Office No. VI, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with a copy of the following Annual Audit Reports:

1. Culasi Water District, Culasi, Antique CYs 2014-2016;
2. Malinao Water District, Malinao, Aklan CYs 2013-2016;
3. San Joaquin Water District, San Joaquin, Iloilo CYs 2015-2016; and
4. Dueñas Water District, Dueñas, Iloilo CYs 2013-2016.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 11 December 2017 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with a certified and authenticated BSP Circular No. 979 dated 25 October 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letters dated 14 and 15 December 2017 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Circular Letter No. CL -2017-070 dated 28 November 2017; and
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-071 dated 8 December 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letters dated December 19 and 28, 2017 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office

of the President, transmitting two (2) original copies each of the following Republic Acts which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte:

1. R.A. No. 10962, entitled:

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

2. R.A. No. 10965, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF LAOAG, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS RODOLFO CG. FARIÑAS, JR. NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

3. R.A. No. 10966, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO COMMEMORATE THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY, THE PRINCIPAL PATRONESS OF THE PHILIPPINES”

TO THE ARCHIVES

Letter dated December 19, 2017 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, transmitting two (2) original copies each of Republic Act No. 10963 which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, accompanied by a direct veto of six (6) line items entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 24, 25, 27, 31, 32, 33, 34, 51, 52, 56, 57, 58, 74, 79, 84, 86, 90, 91, 97, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 114, 116, 127, 128, 129, 145, 148, 149, 151, 155, 171, 174, 175, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 186, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 232, 236, 237, 249, 254, 264, 269, AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 51-A, 148-A, 150-A, 150-B, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B, AND 265-A; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 35, 62, AND 89; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424,

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Letter dated December 19, 2017 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, transmitting two (2) original copies each of Republic Act No. 10964 which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, and the President’s Budget Action Message entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Letter dated December 19, 2017 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, transmitting two (2) original copies each of Republic Act No. 10967 which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY PUDO IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NATONIN, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE”

TO THE ARCHIVES

Report of Atty. Cesar Strait Pareja, Secretary General, House of Representatives, on enrolled bills, submitted to the Office of the President, for His Excellency’s consideration and signature, pursuant to the provision of Rule VI, Section 18, Par. (h) of the Rules of the House of Representatives:

1. House Bill No. 5241, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO COMMEMORATE THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY, THE PRINCIPAL PATRONESS OF THE PHILIPPINES”;

2. House Bill No 5235, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF LAOAG, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS RODOLFO CG. FARIÑAS, JR. NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

Report of Atty. Cesar Strait Pareja, Secretary General, House of Representatives, on enrolled bills/house joint resolution, submitted to the Office of the President, for His Excellency’s consideration and signature, pursuant to the provision of Rule VI, Section 18, Par. (h) of the Rules of the House of Representatives:

3. House Bill No. 6215, entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHTEEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

4. Consolidated House Bill No. 5636 and Senate Bill No. 1592, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 24, 25, 27, 31, 32, 33, 34, 51, 52, 56, 57, 58, 74, 79, 84, 86, 90, 91, 97, 99, 100, 101, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 112, 114, 116, 127, 128, 129, 145, 148, 149, 151, 155, 171, 174, 175, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 186, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 232, 236, 237, 249, 254, 264, 269, AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 51-A, 148-A, 150-A, 150-B, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B, AND 265-A; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 35, 62, AND 89; ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

5. Consolidated House Bill No. 6572 and Senate Bill No. 1456, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE QUALIFICATIONS

FRAMEWORK (PQF), ESTABLISHING THE PQF-NATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL (NCC) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

6. Consolidated House Bill No. 1465 and Senate Bill No. 5670, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FREE IRRIGATION SERVICE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3601, AS AMENDED, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

7. Consolidated House Joint Resolution No. 18 and Senate Joint Resolution No. 11, entitled:

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

TO THE ARCHIVES

Letters dated 3 January 2018 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-072 dated 14 December 2017;
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-073 dated 15 December 2017;
3. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-074 dated 20 December 2017;
4. Memorandum No. M-2017-037 (corrected copy) dated 22 December 2017;
5. Circular No. 984 dated 22 December 2017;
6. Circular No. 985 dated 22 December 2017;
7. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-075 dated 20 December 2017;
8. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-076 dated 20 December 2017;
9. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-077 dated 22 December 2017;
10. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-078 dated 22 December 2017; and
11. Circular Letter No. CL-2017-079 dated 27 December 2017.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report by the Committee on Cooperatives Development (Committee Report No. 546), re H.R. No. 1559, entitled:

“RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING, COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING BUENAVISTA DEVELOPMENT COOPERATIVE, AN AGRICULTURE BASED COOPERATIVE, OF BUENAVISTA, PROVINCE OF GUIMARAS AND THE SACRED HEART SAVINGS COOPERATIVE, A NON-AGRICULTURE BASED COOPERATIVE, OF GALIMUYOD, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, WINNERS OF THE 2017 HALL OF FAME AWARD OF THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES GAWAD SA PINAKATANGING KOOPERATIBA (GAWAD PITAK) HELD LAST AUGUST 14, 2017 AT THE PHILIPPINE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTER, PASAY CITY”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 1285

Sponsors: Representatives Geron, Bravo (A.) and Canama

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Cooperatives Development (Committee Report No. 547), re H.R. No. 1560, entitled:

“RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE TAGUM COOPERATIVE FOR ITS OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS, LEADERSHIP AND ITS SIGNIFICANT ROLE AND CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF COOPERATIVES”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 1302

Sponsors: Representatives Geron, Bravo (A.) and Canama

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Cooperatives Development (Committee Report No. 548), re H.R. No. 1561, entitled:

“RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING, COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING

THE NAGKAKAISANG MAGSASAKA AGRICULTURAL PRIMARY MULTI-PURPOSE COOPERATIVE (NMAPMC) OF TABACAO, TALAVERA, NUEVA ECIJA FOR HAVING BEEN CONFERRED THE 2017 GININTUANG GAWAD PITAK AWARD OF THE LAND BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES, GAWAD SA PINAKATANGING KOOPERATIBA (GAWAD PITAK) HELD LAST AUGUST 14, 2017 AT THE PHILIPPINE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION CENTER, PASAY CITY”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 1284

Sponsors: Representatives Geron, Bravo (A.) and Canama

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Ecology and the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 549), re H.B. No. 6893, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF TREATMENT TECHNOLOGY FOR MUNICIPAL AND HAZARDOUS WASTES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 20 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8749, ENTITLED 'THE PHILIPPINE CLEAN AIR ACT OF 1999' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2286

Sponsors: Representatives Suansing (E.), Cua, Marquez and Cojuangco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Banks and Financial Intermediaries (Committee Report No. 550), re H.B. No. 6907, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR THE CREATION, PERFECTION, DETERMINATION OF PRIORITY RIGHTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTERESTS IN PERSONAL PROPERTY AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NOTICE REGISTRY”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3682 and 3818

Sponsors: Representatives Evardone and Yap (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Labor and Employment (Committee Report No. 551), re H.B. No. 6908, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE SECURITY OF TENURE OF WORKERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 55, 76, 170, 341, 556, 563, 709, 712, 895, 916, 1045, 1208, 1351, 1563, 1837, 1857, 1910, 2389, 3556, 3769, 3802, 4443, 4444, 5130, 5264 and 5899

Sponsors: Representatives Ting, Veloso, Lagman, Mendoza, Go (M.), Villarin, De Vera, Cosalan, Zubiri, Bag-ao, Nograles (J.J.), Castelo, Bertiz and Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 552), re H.B. No. 6913, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO RADIO MARINE NETWORK, INCORPORATED, UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4607, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7512”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 4513 and 6660

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Vargas and Romualdo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 553), re H.B. No. 6914, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE

FRANCHISE GRANTED TO PE-ÑAFRANCIA BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8166, EXPANDING ITS COVERAGE TO THE ENTIRE PHILIPPINES, AND APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF ITS CORPORATE SHARES”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5265

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Robes, Alvarez (P.), Quimbo, Pimentel, Tejada, Caminero, Romualdo, Marcoleta, Chavez, Savellano, Radaza, Enverga, Bernal, Vargas-Alfonso, Zamora (M.C.), Unabia, Abellanosa, Acosta, Bernos, Cortes, Espino, Martinez, Unico, Violago, Montoro, Villafuerte, Chipeco, Rodriguez (I.), Durano, Aggabao, Maceda, Gatchalian, Relampagos, Vargas, Revilla, Bravo (M.V.), Ferrer (L.), Belmonte (R.), Batocabe, Velarde, Romero, Madrona, Cua, Tugna, Almario, Bertiz, Singson, Alvarez (M.), Castro (F.H.), Abu, Garcia-Albano, Garcia (G.), Cayetano, Garin (S.), Villarica, Sema, Hernandez, Abueg, Andaya, Fariñas, Bondoc, Defensor, Mercado, Hofer, Crisologo, Gonzales (A.D.), Noel, Gullas, Ty, Suarez, Abayon, Atienza, Garbin, De Vera, Bravo (A.), Campos, Ermita-Buhain and Bataoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education (Committee Report No. 554), re H.R. No. 1573, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY (CNU) TO ESTABLISH A CAMPUS AT TOLEDO CITY, PROVINCE OF CEBU, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY-TOLEDO CITY CAMPUS”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 911

Sponsors: Representatives Hofer and Garcia (G.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 555), re H.B. No. 6915, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A BRANCH OF THE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SABLAYAN, PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO, TO BE KNOWN AS THE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (PUP)-SABLAYAN BRANCH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 6137 and 6147

Sponsors: Representatives Hofer, Nograles (K.A.) Ramirez-Sato and Cortuna

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education (Committee Report No. 556), re H.R. No. 1574, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING ATTY. RHIO FUENTES-NUYLAN FOR THE TOP HONORS AWARD FOR THE MASTER OF SCIENCE IN LAW AND FINANCE CONFERRED DURING THE DECEMBER 2016 COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES AT THE PRESTIGIOUS QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON”

recommending its adoption in substitution of House Resolution No. 633

Sponsors: Representatives Hofer and Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Public Information (Committee Report No. 557), re H.B. No. 6916, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE VENUE OF THE CRIMINAL AND CIVIL ACTION IN LIBEL CASES AGAINST A COMMUNITY OR LOCAL JOURNALIST, PUBLICATION OR BROADCAST STATION”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 685

Sponsors: Representatives Herrera-Dy and Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 558), re H.B. No. 6917, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MAMAGUM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MAMAGUM, MUNICIPALITY OF SULTAN NAGA DIMAPORO, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MAMAGUM INTEGRATED SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2414

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.), Dimaporo (A.) and Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 559), re H.B. No. 6918, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PANAY DAKO, MUNICIPALITY OF CLARIN, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS FELINA SEVILLA OAMINAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4504

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.) and Oaminal

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 560), re H.B. No. 6919, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MABUHAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MABUHAY, MUNICIPALITY OF

SULTAN NAGA DIMAPORO, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MABUHAY INTEGRATED SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2420

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.), Dimaporo (A.) and Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 561), re H.B. No. 6920, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BIGNAY, VALENZUELA CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS DISIPLINA VILLAGE-BIGNAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2640

Sponsors: Representatives Durano, Nograles (K.A.) and Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 562), re H.B. No. 6921, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TIBLAC, MUNICIPALITY OF AMBAGUIO, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA TO BE KNOWN AS TIBLAC NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5561

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Public Information (Committee Report No. 563), re H.B. No. 6922, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 30 OF EVERY YEAR AS 'NATIONAL PRESS FREEDOM DAY' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3702

Sponsors: Representatives Herrera-Dy and Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 564), re H.B. No. 6923, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION (PCIC), REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1467, ENTITLED 'CREATING THE “PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION” PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND ACTIVITIES, PROVIDING FOR ITS CAPITALIZATION AND FOR THE REQUIRED GOVERNMENT PREMIUM SUBSIDY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES', AS AMENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1733 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8175”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 40, 436, 2445, 3534, 3560, 4107 and 4578

Sponsors: Representatives Sacdalan and Nograles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 565), re H.B. No. 6927, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2128

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez, Nograles (K.A.) and Uy (J.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 566), re H.B. No. 6928, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING MAINIT FALLS AND HOT SPRINGS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BROOKE'S POINT, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2111

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez, Nograles (K.A.) and Abueg

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 567), re H.B. No. 6929, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL NORTE A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREA (TDA), CREATING THE LANA O DEL NORTE TOURISM COUNCIL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2468

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez, Nograles (K.A.), Dimaporo (M.K.) and Dimaporo (A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 568), re H.B. No. 6930, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE BAKHAWAN ECO-PARK IN BARANGAY NEW BUSWANG, MUNICIPALITY OF KALIBO, PROVINCE OF AKLAN AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3233

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez, Nograles (K.A.) and Marquez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 569), re H.B. No. 6932, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE A TOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3385

Sponsors: Representatives Gomez, Nograles (K.A.) and Mercado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE BONDOC

Rep. Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc then moved for the approval of Journal No. 48 of December 13, 2017.

OBJECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Rep. Antonio L. Tinio objected to the aforesaid motion.

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Given five minutes by the Chair to explain his objection upon Representative Bondoc’s motion, Representative Tinio asked the Secretariat to amend the portion entitled “RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5636 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1592” on page 12 of Journal No. 48 in order to reflect (1) his and Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate’s numerous objections to said ratification and (2) his objection to said ratification on the basis of lack of quorum.

MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE BONDOC

Representative Bondoc moved that the House first vote on his motion to approve Journal No. 48.

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Representative Tinio also contested the statement in the aforesaid portion of Journal No. 48 that the Body ratified said Committee Report and argued that no voting had taken place thereon. He asked the Secretariat to correct the use of the word “ratified”

as he cited the House Rules on (1) the ratification of a Conference Committee Report by a majority vote of the Members of the House, there being a quorum; and (2) the conduct of a voting on motions or questions where the Speaker shall first say, “as many as are in favor, say *aye*” and thereafter say, “as many as are opposed, say *nay*” after the affirmative vote is counted.

REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE BONDOC

Representative Bondoc remarked that based on the records of the Secretariat, the December 13, 2017 session had a quorum of 232 Members; and the requirement as mentioned by Representative Tinio was thus met in said session.

DIVISION OF THE HOUSE

With Representative Bondoc reiterating his previous motion, the Chair called for a division of the House.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 48

With majority of the Members voting in favor of Representative Bondoc’s motion, the Body approved Journal No. 48 dated December 13, 2017.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Representative Tinio stated his desire to speak on a matter of personal and collective privilege.

OBJECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE BONDOC

Representative Bondoc however filed his objection as he stated that the House must give way to the oath-taking of new party-list Members because delaying the same would be a travesty of the vote of those who had placed their faith in them.

WITHDRAWAL OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO'S REQUEST

Representative Tinio then withdrew his manifestation but reserved his right to rise on a matter of personal and collective privilege.

REMARKS OF MAJORITY LEADER FARIÑAS

Thereafter, Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas relayed that the House was in receipt of Commission on Elections *En Banc* Minute Resolution Nos.

17-0737 and 17-0767, submitting the Certificates of Nomination and Acceptance of Nomination of the list of nominees of the Kabalikat ng Mamamayan (Kabayan) Party-List.

On motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body thus proceeded with the oath-taking of Rep. Ciriaco S. Calalang as Kabayan Party-List Representative.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, the session was suspended at 4:43 p.m. to allow Representative Calalang and his family to ascend the rostrum.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:44 p.m. the session resumed.

OATH-TAKING OF REPRESENTATIVE CALALANG

Upon motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, Rep. Calalang took his oath of office as a newly elected Representative of Kabayan Party-List before Deputy Speaker Garcia.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, the session was suspended at 4:46 p.m. to allow the Members to meet and greet Representative Calalang.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:49 p.m.

REMARKS OF MAJORITY LEADER FARIÑAS

Upon resumption of session, Majority Leader Fariñas stated that the House was also in receipt of Commission on Elections *En Banc* Minute Resolution No. 15-0271, certifying the replacement of Rep. Sitti Djalila A. Turabin-Hataman as AMIN Party-List Representative by Ms. Amihilda J. Sangcopan, AMIN nominee.

On motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body thus proceeded with the oath-taking of Representative Sangcopan.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

At 4:50 p.m., on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, the session was suspended to allow Representative Sangcopan and her family and friends to ascend the rostrum.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:52 p.m.

OATH-TAKING OF REPRESENTATIVE SANGCOPAN

Upon Majority Leader Fariñas' motion, there being no objection, Representative Sangcopan took her oath of office as a newly elected Representative of AMIN Party-List before Deputy Speaker Garcia.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 4:53 p.m. to allow the Members to meet and greet Representative Sangcopan.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:55 p.m., the session resumed.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Gullas acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Reps. Teddy Brawner Baguilat Jr. and Francisco G. Datol Jr.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

It being a Monday, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the Privilege Hour and recognized Rep. Gary C. Alejano for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ALEJANO

Initially, Representative Alejano explained why the sudden removal on December 19, 2017 of Vice Admiral Ronald Joseph Mercado, Flag Officer-In-Command (FOIC) of the Philippine Navy (PN), was unusual and unceremonious.

He then stated that upon his investigation, he discovered that the reason for the FOIC's relief was his alleged delay in implementing the multi-billion frigate acquisition project (FAP). He however explained that Vice Admiral Mercado was not involved in the project before and after the signing of the contract; and that he implemented the contract when he became FOIC one month after such signing but pursued the interest of the PN.

Representative Alejano thereafter stressed that the PN questioned the FAP because it favored the

interest of the winning bidder, Hyundai Heavy Industries (HHI). He discussed the HHI's deceitful strategies for maximizing profits such as employing cheaper systems or products especially for the warship's combat management system or "brain"; inserting documents to the contract, which contained provisions disadvantageous to the PN; and not submitting drawings to enable the PN to check whether the technical specifications stated in the contract were being complied with. He concluded that the way that the PN fought and stood up for the FAP through the person of its FOIC was misconstrued as insubordination and disrespect.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Garcia (G.) relinquished the Chair to Rep. Gerald Anthony "Sam-sam" V. Gullas Jr.

At this point, Representative Alejano asked about the HHI's backers in the Duterte Administration as well as persons who were profiting from the FAP; and questioned the alleged unethical, inappropriate, and illegal meddling on the project's technicalities by some Malacañang officials. He pointed out that the morale and professionalism not only of the PN but of the Philippine Army and Philippine Air Force will be affected when the contractors of their modernization projects become more powerful than their own project management and technical teams and committees. He added that current frigate projects will impact future ones.

As he then observed that the FAP was fraught with contract violations which will endanger the Armed Forces of the Philippines' (AFP) modernization program and national security, Representative Alejano moved for the cancellation thereof. He also asked for the immediate scheduling of a hearing thereon, saying that pertinent resolutions he had filed had not yet been acted on. Finally, he urged Congress not to allow business interests to prevail over the national interest.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE ALEJANO'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

On motion of Rep. Christopher V.P. de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Alejano's privilege speech to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Emmi A. De Jesus for her privilege speech.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 5:27 p.m., upon motion of Representative de Venecia.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:28 p.m., the session resumed.

POINT OF ORDER OF REPRESENTATIVE ERICE

Upon recognition by the Chair, Rep. Edgar R. Erice rose on a point of order. Asked by Representative Bondoc as to which House Rule had been violated, he asserted that there was no quorum and moved for a Roll Call.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 5:28 p.m., upon motion of Representative Bondoc.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:32 p.m., the session resumed.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, January 16, 2018.

It was 5:33 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

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

Approved on January 16, 2018.

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

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

* 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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