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CALL TO ORDER

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

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

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

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
Abellanosa
Abu
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Acosta-Alba
Adiong
Advincula
Aggabao
Albano
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amante
Amatong
Angara-Castillo
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Baguilat
Barzaga
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belmonte (J.C.)

Benitez
Bertiz
Billones
Biron
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Calalang
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Canama
Cari
Casilao
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Catamco
Celeste
Cerafica
Chavez
Chipeco
Co
Cojuangco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
Datol
Daza
De Jesus
de Venecia
De Vera
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Durano
Dy
Elago
Enverga
Erice
Ermita-Buhain

Escudero	Nieto
Espino	Noel
Estrella	Nogralles (J.J.)
Evardone	Nogralles (K.A.)
Fariñas	Nolasco
Fernando	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Ferrer (J.)	Oaminal
Floirendo	Ocampo
Flores	Olivarez
Fortun	Ong (E.)
Fortuno	Ong (H.)
Fuentebella	Ortega (P.)
Garbin	Ortega (V.N.)
Garcia (G.)	Pacquiao
Garcia (J.E.)	Paduano
Garin (R.)	Palma
Garin (S.)	Pancho
Gasataya	Panganiban
Gatchalian	Panotes
Go (A.C.)	Papandayan
Go (M.)	Pichay
Gonzaga	Pimentel
Gonzales (A.P.)	Pineda
Gonzales (A.D.)	Plaza
Gonzalez	Primicias-Agabas
Gullas	Radaza
Hernandez	Ramirez-Sato
Herrera-Dy	Ramos
Hofer	Relampagos
Jalosjos	Revilla
Kho	Roa-Puno
Khonghun	Robes
Labadlabad	Rocamora
Lacson	Rodriguez (I.)
Lagman	Rodriguez (M.)
Lanete	Roman
Laogan	Romero
Lazatin	Romualdo
Lee	Roque
Limkaichong	Sacdalan
Lopez (B.)	Sagarbarria
Lopez (M.L.)	Sahali
Loyola	Salimbangon
Maceda	Salo
Madrona	Salon
Manalo	Sambar
Mangaoang	Sangcopan
Marcoleta	Santos-Recto
Mariño	Sarmiento (C.)
Marquez	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Martinez	Savellano
Matugas	Sema
Mellana	Siao
Mendoza	Silverio
Mercado	Singson
Mirasol	Suansing (E.)
Montoro	Suansing (H.)
Nava	Suarez

Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tan (S.)
Tejada
Teves
Ting
Tinio
Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Ty
Umali
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas-Alfonso
Velarde
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez
Villarin
Violago
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zubiri

With 234 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

INQUIRY OF REPRESENTATIVE DAZA

Upon recognition by the Chair, Rep. Raul A. Daza inquired how his attendance was recorded, to which the Chair replied that the latter was present.

DEFERMENT OF THE APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

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

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On 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 as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 7762, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING STA. CATALINA ROAD TRAVERSING TO BARANGAY CABITTAOGAN AND SITIO CALAWAAN, TAMURONG ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 7763, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE OLD SAN VICENTE CHURCH, GABALDON BUILDING, PALACIO DE GOBERNADOR, SPANISH BALDI, DIEGO SILANG MARKER, AND ANCESTRAL HOUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN VICENTE, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR AS CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL PATRIMONY OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN VICENTE AND BESTOWING IT WITH RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES ACCORDED MUSEUM CURATORS”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 7764, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AQUATIC RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTAL BREEDING STATION FOR LAKES, RIVERS, BAYS, PONDS, AND OTHER INLAND FISHES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN PHILIPPINES IN THE CITY OF VIGAN, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 7765, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF STO. DOMINGO, STA. CATALINA, BANTAY, SAN ILDEFONSO, SAN VICENTE, SINAIT, CABUGAO, SAN JUAN, MAGSINGAL AND CAOAYAN AS TOURIST DESTINATIONS PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

TARY BLOOD DONATION, PROVIDING FOR AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF SAFE BLOOD, REGULATING BLOOD BANKS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL BLOOD SERVICES ACT OF 1994, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 7766, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SOLIDNORTH BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8089 ENTITLED, 'AN ACT GRANTING THE SOLIDNORTH BROADCASTING SYSTEM A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN COMMERCIAL RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

“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 Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 7770, entitled:

“AN ACT RE-INSTITUTING RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) AS A MANDATORY COURSE FOR TERTIARY LEVEL STUDENTS IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND SIMILAR LEARNING INSTITUTIONS”

By Representative Dalipe

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

House Bill No. 7782, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING A SPECIALLY-DESIGNATED LANE OR OFFICE SPACE LOCATED AT THE GROUND FLOOR OF EVERY GOVERNMENT OR PRIVATE EDIFICE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs) AND SENIOR CITIZENS TO TRANSACT THEIR OFFICIAL BUSINESSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 7771, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7719, AN ACT PROMOTING VOLUN-

House Bill No. 7783, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MONTANEZA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – CERDEÑA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION IN BARANGAY CERDEÑA, MUNICIPALITY OF MALABUYOC, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE MONTANEZA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND CONVERT IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE CERDEÑA (MALABUYOC) NATIONAL

HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Calderon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 7787, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL MINIMUM WAGE FOR PRIVATE SECTOR WORKERS AND IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 7788, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF THE LINGAYEN GULF INTERNATIONAL TRANSSHIPMENT PORT DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Bataoil

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

House Bill No. 7789, entitled:

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

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 7790, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE HIGH

SCHOOL IN SOUTH POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN FERNANDO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, TO BE KNOWN AS THE SAN FERNANDO MATH AND SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Gullas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 7791, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE SALVACION OPPUS YNIGUEZ MEMORIAL PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL (SOYMPH) INTO SOUTHERN LEYTE MEDICAL CENTER”

By Representative Mercado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 7792, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF NAPANTAO IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE INTO THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS)”

By Representative Mercado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 7793, entitled:

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

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 7794, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING ALL STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES TO DEVELOP COURSES RELATING TO AGRICULTURE PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION,

APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Geron

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 7795, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE IMMEDIATE DESTRUCTION OF THE CONFISCATED, SEIZED AND/OR SURRENDERED DANGEROUS DRUGS, PLANT SOURCES OF DANGEROUS DRUGS, AND CONTROLLED PRECURSORS AND ESSENTIAL CHEMICALS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Mariño

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS
DRUGS

House Bill No. 7796, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAUAN IN THE SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS 'THE CITY OF BAUAN' ”

By Representative Abu

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 7797, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE MANDATE OF COTABATO SANITARIUM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SULTAN KUDARAT, PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO INTO THE COTABATO SANITARIUM AND GENERAL HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Panganiban

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 7798, entitled:

“AN ACT ASSIGNING ONE REGISTERED NURSE FOR EVERY PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Sandoval

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 7799, 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 Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 7800, entitled:

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

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

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

House Bill No. 7802, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE PROVISION OF WIRELESS INTERNET ACCESS IN ALL COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS”

By Representative Garcia (J.E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 7803, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING BENEFITS AND PROGRAMS TO STRENGTHEN, PRO-

MOTE, AND DEVELOP THE PHILIPPINE START-UP ECOSYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Garcia (J.E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 7804, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OCCUPANCY, AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS, ENACTING A NEW BUILDING ACT, THEREBY REPEALING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1096, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Gonzales (A.D.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 7805, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING A P320 ACROSS-THE-BOARD AND NATIONWIDE INCREASE IN THE DAILY MINIMUM WAGES OF WORKERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Mendoza

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1928, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THRU THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE GROSS FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL MISMANAGEMENT, CORRUPTION, AS WELL AS THE PROLIFERATION OF FRAUD THROUGH THE CREATION OF GHOST MEMBERS IN PHILHEALTH”

By Representative Teves

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1929, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DECLARING THE JOURNAL OF THE SESSION DATED MAY 30, 2018, AS HAVING BEEN READ AND APPROVED”

By Representatives Fariñas and Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1930, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ FOR HIS COMPETENT AND EFFECTIVE STEWARDSHIP OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS”

By Representatives Fariñas and Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, entitled:

“CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES NOT LATER THAN TWELVE O'CLOCK MIDNIGHT, TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018”

By Representatives Fariñas and Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

May 29, 2018

SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ
House Speaker
House of Representatives
Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 26 (2) of the 1987 Constitution, I hereby certify to

the necessity of the immediate enactment of House Bill No. 6475, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AND ABOLISHING THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9054, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO,' AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734, ENTITLED 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO,' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

in order to advance the creation of a new autonomous region in Muslim Mindanao. The passage of this measure is a manifestation of the government's commitment to address the diverse needs of the people in Bangsamoro, and all communities and constituents of Mindanao, towards a just and lasting peace in Mindanao and in the Philippines as a whole.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

Copy Furnished:

Sen. Vicente C. Sotto III
Senate President
The Philippine Senate
Pasay City

Sec. Adelino B. Sitoy
Head
Presidential Legislative Liaison Office
2/F New Executive Bldg.
Malacañang, Manila

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

May 29, 2018

SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ
House Speaker
House of Representatives
Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 26 (2) of the 1987 Constitution, I hereby certify to the necessity of the immediate enactment of Senate Bill No. 1717, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AND ABOLISHING THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9054, ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734, ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

in order to advance the creation of a new autonomous region in Muslim Mindanao. The passage of this measure is a manifestation of the government's commitment to address the diverse needs of the people in Bangsamoro, and all communities and constituents of Mindanao, towards a just and lasting peace in Mindanao and in the Philippines as a whole.

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TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

29 May 2018

SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ
House Speaker
House of Representatives
Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 26 (2) of the 1987 Constitution, I hereby certify to the necessity of the immediate enactment of House Bill No. 7449, entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE BILLION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND PESOS (P1,161,710,000) AS SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FY 2018 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

in order to support and provide the necessary health and medical assistance to Dengvaxia vaccinees.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

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TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated May 23, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on May 22, 2018 the Senate designated Senators Sonny Angara, Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito and Paolo Benigno 'Bam' Aquino IV as conferees to the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of House Bill No. 5160, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF STO. TOMAS IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF STO. TOMAS”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 23, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on May 22, 2018 the Senate designated Senators Sonny Angara, Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito and Paolo Benigno 'Bam' Aquino IV as conferees to the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing votes of House Bill No. 5367, entitled:

“AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS OF THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill No. 1459, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE SECURED TRANSACTIONS LEGAL FRAMEWORK IN THE PHILIPPINES, WHICH SHALL PROVIDE FOR THE CREATION, PERFECTION, DETERMINATION OF PRIORITY, ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTRALIZED NOTICE REGISTRY, AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTERESTS IN PERSONAL PROPERTY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”; and

Senate Bill No. 1762, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT BENEFIT SYSTEM IN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, AUGMENTING ITS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5349, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO NOTRE DAME BROADCASTING CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8109, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE NOTRE DAME BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL, AND CULTURAL AS WELL AS FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5635, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BRIGHT STAR BROADCASTING NETWORK CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7295, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE BRIGHT STAR BROADCASTING NETWORK CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 6314, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING STREAMTECH SYSTEMS TECHNOLOGIES INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on March 5, 2018 the Senate designated Senators Cynthia A. Villar, Loren Legarda, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito, Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, and Franklin M. Drilon as conferees to the Bicameral Conference Committee on the conflicting provisions of Senate Bill No. 1444, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING PROTECTED AREAS AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR MANAGEMENT, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS) ACT OF 1992', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

and House Bill No. 6772, entitled:

“AN ACT ENSURING THE PRESERVATION AND MANAGEMENT OF PROTECTED AREAS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 6030, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING THE CEBU CITY MOUNTAIN EXTENSION CAMPUS AS A SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE CEBU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9744, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT CONVERTING

THE CEBU STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF CEBU AND ALL ITS SATELLITE CAMPUSES LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CEBU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY (CTU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 6031, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE INTEGRATION OF THE MAASIN CITY COLLEGE INTO THE SOUTHERN LEYTE STATE UNIVERSITY (SLSU)”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 4136, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO MANILA BROADCASTING COMPANY UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7816, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE MANILA BROADCASTING COMPANY A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5716, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO VANGUARD RADIO NETWORK COMPANY, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7529, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING VANGUARD RADIO NETWORK

COMPANY, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE ISLAND OF LUZON AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8069”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 28, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed with amendments House Bill No. 5780, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING THE DON HONORIO VENTURA TECHNOLOGICAL STATE UNIVERSITY (DHVTSU) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOLOR, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA AS THE DON HONORIO VENTURA STATE UNIVERSITY (DHVSU), AND EXPANDING ITS CURRICULAR OFFERINGS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9832, ENTITLED 'AN ACT CONVERTING THE DON HONORIO VENTURA COLLEGE OF ARTS AND TRADES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOLOR, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE DON HONORIO VENTURA TECHNOLOGICAL STATE UNIVERSITY (DHVTSU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated May 29, 2018, informing the House of Representatives that on May 28, 2018, the Senate passed without amendment the following House Bills:

House Bill No. 927, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LICENSING CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KAWIT, PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO A REGULAR LICENSING CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE LTO CAVITE LICENSING CENTER OF KAWIT, CAVITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 1875, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) EXTENSION OFFICE LOCATED IN MUNTINLUPA CITY INTO A REGULAR LTO DISTRICT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 3169, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LICENSING CENTER IN THE CITY OF BATANGAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A REGULAR LICENSING CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE BATANGAS CITY LICENSING CENTER OF BATANGAS CITY, BATANGAS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 3188, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE CALOOCAN CITY EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LOCATED IN MALABON CITY, METRO MANILA INTO A REGULAR LTO DISTRICT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 3986, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALAYAN, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A REGULAR LTO DISTRICT OFFICE TO BE KNOWN AS THE LTO DISTRICT OFFICE OF BALAYAN, BATANGAS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 4166, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LICENSING CENTER IN THE CITY OF SAN PABLO, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA INTO A REGULAR LICENSING CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE SAN PABLO CITY LICENSING CENTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6602, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE HERACLEO CASCO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN ISIDRO, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARIA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE HERACLEO CASCO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PEDRO MARISCAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6603, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE KALBAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY SUGAL, MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE ABAD SANTOS, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE KALBAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS EMELIANO S. FONTANARES SR. NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill No. 6971, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY 184, ZONE 19, MARICABAN, PASAY CITY TO BE KNOWN AS PRESIDENT CORAZON 'CORY' C. AQUINO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill 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”;

House Bill No. 6918, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BA-

RANGAY PAN-AY DAKO, MUNICIPALITY OF CLARIN, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS FELINA SEVILLA OAMINAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

House Bill 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”;

House Bill No. 6920, entitled:

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

House Bill 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”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated March 25, 2018 of Leonor Magtolis Briones, Secretary, Department of Education, informing the House of Representatives that the Department’s report on the Acquisition of School Sites has been uploaded on the DepEd website on March 25, 2018 at <http://www.deped.gov.ph/2018-gaa-special-provisions>.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

Letter dated May 8, 2018 of Austere A. Panadero, Officer-in-Charge, Department of the Interior and Local Government submitting to the House

of Representatives the Department’s Performance Challenge Fund (PCF) 1st Quarter Progress Report on PCF for CY 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 18 May 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 a certified and authenticated copy of BSP Circular Letter No. CL2018-034 dated 10 May 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letters dated 25 May 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-2018-035 dated 21 May 2018;
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-036 dated 21 May 2018;
3. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-037 dated 18 May 2018;
4. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-038 dated 16 May 2018;
5. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-039 dated 16 May 2018;
6. Circular No. 1004 dated 24 May 2018; and
7. Memorandum No. M-2018-018 dated 23 May 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report by the Committee on Local Government (Committee Report No. 768), re H.B. No. 7801, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY PANACAN-2

IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NARRA,
PROVINCE OF PALAWAN”

recommending its approval in substitution of
House Bill No. 1016

Sponsors: Representatives Acharon and Abueg

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Small Business and
Entrepreneurship Development (Committee
Report No. 769), re H.R. No. 1772, entitled:

“RESOLUTION REQUESTING HIS EXCEL-
LENCY, PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA
DUTERTE, TO INCREASE THE
BUDGET FOR FY 2019 FOR THE PRO-
GRAMS/PROJECTS FOR MICRO,
SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES
(MSMEs), SPECIFICALLY THE KAPA-
TID MENTOR ME PROGRAM, THE
SHARED SERVICE FACILITIES PRO-
JECT AND THE TRADE FAIRS OF THE
BUREAU OF DOMESTIC TRADE PRO-
MOTION”

recommending its adoption without amend-
ment

Sponsors: Representatives Unabia and Lim-
kaichong

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Small Business and
Entrepreneurship Development (Committee
Report No. 770), re H.R. No. 1771, entitled:

“RESOLUTION REQUESTING HIS EXCEL-
LENCY, PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA
DUTERTE, TO ALLOCATE PHP6 BIL-
LION IN THE FY 2019 BUDGET FOR
THE PONDO SA PAGBABAGO AT PAG-
ASENSO (P3) PROGRAM BEING IM-
PLEMENTED BY THE DEPARTMENT
OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY,
THROUGH THE SMALL BUSINESS
CORPORATION”

recommending its adoption without amend-
ment

Sponsors: Representatives Unabia and Lim-
kaichong

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Com-
mittee on Appropriations (Committee Report
No. 771), re H.B. No. 7811, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TERTIARY
HOSPITAL IN THE CITY OF SAN JOSE
DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BU-
LACAN, TO BE KNOWN AS ST. BER-
NADETTE CHILDREN AND MATER-
NITY HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIAT-
ING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of
House Bill No. 1293

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Robes and
Nogralles (K.A.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Health and the Com-
mittee on Appropriations (Committee Report
No. 772), re H.B. No. 7812, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPAC-
ITY OF MARIANO MARCOS MEMO-
RIAL HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CEN-
TER (MMM&MC) IN BATAC CITY,
PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, FROM
TWO HUNDRED (200) TO THREE
HUNDRED (300), UPGRADING ITS
SERVICE FACILITIES AND PROFES-
SIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZ-
ING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL
PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of
House Bill No. 2032

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Marcos,
Nogralles (K.A.) and Nieto

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Transportation and the
Committee on Appropriations (Committee Re-
port No. 773), re H.B. No. 6979, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE GUIMARAS
LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE

(LTO) EXTENSION OFFICE INTO A
REGULAR LTO DISTRICT OFFICE”

recommending its approval without amend-
ment

Sponsors: Representatives Sarmiento (C.),
Nogralles (K.A.) and Nava

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Transportation and the
Committee on Appropriations (Committee Re-
port No. 774), re H.B. No. 7103, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A CLASS D DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTA-
TION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICI-
PALITY OF PAMPLONA, CAMARINES
SUR”

recommending its approval with amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Sarmiento (C.),
Nogralles (K.A.) and Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 758
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 6475**

On motion of Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fari-
ñas, there being no objection, the Body resumed
consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No.
6475, as contained in Committee Report No. 758
and reported out by the Committees on Local Gov-
ernment, and Muslim Affairs; Special Committee
on Peace, Reconciliation, and Unity; and Commit-
tees on Appropriations, and Ways and Means.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary Gen-
eral read the title of the Bill, to wit:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC
LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AND
ABOLISHING THE AUTONOMOUS
REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, RE-
PEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUB-
LIC ACT NO. 9054, ENTITLED 'AN ACT
TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE
ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONO-
MOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDA-
NAO,' AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734,
ENTITLED 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR
AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTON-
OMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDA-
NAO,' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

Majority Leader Fariñas stated that the parlia-
mentary status was that the Body had terminated the
period of sponsorship and debate at around 11 p.m.
the previous night after listening to the interpella-
tions of eight Members.

Upon his motion, there being no objection, the
Body proceeded to the period of amendments.

**TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD
OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

There being no Committee amendments, on
motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no
objection, the Body terminated the period of Com-
mittee amendments.

**AMENDMENT BY SUBSTITUTION
OF MAJORITY LEADER FARIÑAS**

Majority Leader Fariñas stated that each Mem-
ber was earlier given a copy of the substitute bill to
House Bill No. 6475, which was the result of their
two previous caucuses.

Pursuant to Section 104 of the amended Provi-
sional House Rules, upon his motion, there being no
objection, the Body approved to amend by substitu-
tion the entire House Bill No. 6475 as contained in
Committee Report No. 758 with the contents of the
substitute bill, copies of which were earlier distrib-
uted to all Members, and discussed in a caucus be-
fore the plenary session.

On further motion of Majority Leader Fariñas,
there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the
period of individual amendments.

**TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD
OF INDIVIDUAL AMENDMENTS**

There being no Member who wished to intro-
duce individual amendments, on motion of Major-
ity Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the
Body terminated the period of individual amend-
ments.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 6475, AS AMENDED**

Thereupon, on motion of Majority Leader Fari-
ñas, there being no objection, the Body approved on
Second Reading House Bill No. 6475, as amended,
through *viva voce* voting.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair suspended the session at 4:29 p.m.
upon motion of Majority Leader Fariñas.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:30 p.m.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 6475**

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the approval on Third Reading of House Bill No. 6475, a certified urgent Bill, pursuant to Section 26 (2), Article VI of the Constitution.

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

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC LAW FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN THE BANGSAMORO REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9054, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO,' AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734, ENTITLED 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO,' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

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

**MANIFESTATION OF
SEVERAL MEMBERS**

(Continuation)

During the voting, the following Members manifested their intent to explain their votes: Reps. Gary C. Alejano, Jose L. Atienza Jr., Arlene D. Brosas, Ariel “Ka Ayik” B. Casilao, France L. Castro, Emmi A. De Jesus, Raul V. Del Mar, Abdullah D. Dimaporo, Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Edcel C. Lagman, Celso L. Lobregat, Rogelio “Ruel” D. Pacquiao, Maximo B. Rodriguez Jr., “Kuya” Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado, Shernee Abubakar Tan, Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr., Antonio L. Tinio, and Carlos Isagani T. Zarate.

The Chair said that they could do so after the voting is finished.

On the other hand, Rep. Mariano Michael M. Velarde Jr. expressed his desire to submit a written

explanation of his vote; and the Chair took note of the same.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abaya
Abayon
Abellanosa
Abueg
Acharon
Acop
Acosta-Alba
Adiong
Advincula
Aggabao
Albano
Alejano
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (M.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amante
Angara-Castillo
Aquino-Magsaysay
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bag-ao
Baguilat
Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Belmonte (R.)
Benitez
Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
Biron
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Bulut-Begtang
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Canama

Cari	Gullas
Castelo	Hernandez
Castro (F.H.)	Herrera-Dy
Catamco	Hofer
Cayetano	Jalosjos
Celeste	Kho
Cerafica	Khonghun
Chavez	Labadlabad
Chipeco	Lacson
Co	Lanete
Cojuangco	Laogan
Collantes	Lazatin
Cortes	Lee
Cortuna	Limkaichong
Cosalan	Lopez (B.)
Crisologo	Lopez (C.)
Cua	Lopez (M.L.)
Cuaresma	Maceda
Cueva	Madrona
Datol	Malapitan
Daza	Manalo
de Venecia	Mangaoang
De Vera	Marcoleta
Defensor	Mariño
Del Mar	Marquez
Del Rosario	Martinez
Deloso-Montalla	Matugas
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Mellana
Durano	Mercado
Dy	Mirasol
Enverga	Montoro
Erice	Nava
Ermita-Buhain	Nieto
Escudero	Noel
Espino	Nogralas (J.J.)
Estrella	Nogralas (K.A.)
Evardone	Nolasco
Fariñas	Nuñez-Malanyaon
Fernando	Oaminal
Ferrer (J.)	Olivarez
Ferrer (L.)	Ong (E.)
Floirendo	Ong (H.)
Flores	Ortega (P.)
Fortun	Ortega (V.N.)
Fortuno	Pacquiao
Garbin	Paduano
Garcia (G.)	Palma
Garcia (J.E.)	Pancho
Garin (R.)	Panganiban
Garin (S.)	Panotes
Gasataya	Papandayan
Gatchalian	Pichay
Go (A.C.)	Pimentel
Go (M.)	Pineda
Gonzaga	Plaza
Gonzales (A.P.)	Primicias-Agabas
Gonzales (A.D.)	Radaza
Gonzalez	Ramirez-Sato

Ramos
Relampagos
Revilla
Roa-Puno
Rocamora
Rodriguez (I.)
Roman
Romero
Romualdo
Roque
Sacdalan
Sagarbarria
Sahali
Salo
Salon
Sambar
Sandoval
Sangcopan
Santos-Recto
Sarmiento (C.)
Sarmiento (E.M.)
Savellano
Sema
Siao
Silverio
Singson
Suansing (E.)
Suansing (H.)
Suarez
Sy-Alvarado
Tambunting
Tan (A.)
Tan (S.)
Tejada
Teves
Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Ty
Umali
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Velarde
Velasco
Velasco-Catera
Velo
Vergara
Villanueva
Villaraza-Suarez

Villarin
Yap (A.)
Yap (M.)
Yu
Zamora (M.C.)
Zamora (R.)
Zubiri

Negative:

Amatong
Brosas
Casilao
Castro (F.L.)
Dalipe
De Jesus
Elago
Lagman
Rodriguez (M.)
Tinio
Zarate

Abstention:

Dimaporo (A.)
Lobregat

With 226 [227]* affirmative votes, 11 negative votes, and two abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 6475.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES

The following Members explained their votes:

1. Representative Alejano said that he voted in favor of the measure on the belief that it is the fruit of a laborious effort of all the parties concerned that resulted in a constitutional and effective law. He thanked the sponsoring Committees for listening to his concerns about questions of constitutionality and incorporating amendments that would ensure the Bangsamoro's aspirations as well as the Filipino people's desire for a brighter future for Mindanao.
2. Speaking in Filipino, Representative Brosas explained that she was against the measure because it does not recognize their Moro brothers' fight for self-determination, capability to stand for themselves, and right to harness their own natural resources.
3. Representative Casilao cast his "No" vote as he said that the provisions of the Bill differ from his beliefs about genuine autonomy and the right to self-determination

* See page 20 for "Manifestation of the Chair" on the final voting result.

based on the recognition of the historical injustices suffered by the Moros. Speaking in Filipino, he added that any benefit that will result from its passage will be buried because the peace agreements that have been earlier forged by the national government had been set aside. Nevertheless, he stressed his support for their brothers in Mindanao in their fight for peace and justice.

4. Representative Castro (F.L.) explained in Filipino her negative vote, based on the belief that the measure would not ensure full changes for their Muslim brothers because it is oppressive and anti-people; and would not dismantle the existence of political dynasties nor allow social, educational, and economic benefits in the region.
5. Representative De Jesus said that she could not support a measure that does not clearly reflect the Bangsamoro's aspiration for self-determination but instead encourages shortcuts to peace. She asked whether the instant Bill would address the longtime suffering of their Muslim brothers, this as she pointed out that the Bill contains certain provisions that still allow full control by the national government but lacks provisions on solving poverty, land ownership, and the peace and order problem.
6. Representative Del Mar expressed support for House Bill No. 6475, subject however to the exclusion of the provisions that are inconsistent with or violate the Constitution and existing laws.
7. Initially, Representative Elago emphasized in Filipino the long and arduous fight of the Moro people for autonomy and justice.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Abu relinquished the Chair to Rep. Aurelio "Dong" D. Gonzales Jr.

She subsequently said that on behalf of Kabataan Party-List, she was voting against the measure because she does not want the Duterte Administration to allow foreign invaders and investors to exploit the Bangsamoro region's natural resources.

Whereupon, Representative Gonzales (A.D.) relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Abu.

Thereafter cautioning that the measure would allow the Administration to reign

over the members of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, Representative Elago expressed her desire for a justice-based peace in Mindanao and the correction of the historical wrongs and human rights violations suffered by the Moros and the rest of the citizenry.

REMINDER FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair reminded Representative Elago that her time had already expired.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES

(Continuation)

Representative Elago thereupon asked that the complete explanation of her vote be inserted into the records.

8. Representative Dimaporo (A.) said that he was abstaining from voting although he would have voted against the measure like he had done so with the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) Law. He explained that he has great trust and confidence in the Duterte Administration; and that he was glad that the House leadership and Members agreed on the conduct of a plebiscite in Lanao del Norte and allowed the six municipalities to decide for themselves whether or not they would like to be included in the Bangsamoro region.
9. Representative Dimaporo (M.K.) underscored that his affirmative vote reflects his belief that the only way to achieve peace in Muslim Mindanao is by uplifting the lives of its people. He said that while the promises of the Bangsamoro Basic Law (BBL) still remain to be seen, he would not like to stand in the way of any movement towards peace. He thanked the House leadership for accommodating Lanao del Norte's Sangguniang Panlalawigan resolution on the conduct of a plebiscite therein.

REMINDER FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair reminded Representative Dimaporo (M.K.) that his time had already expired.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES

(Continuation)

Rep. Dimaporo (M.K.) underscored that he leaves it to the people of his province to decide on their fate and expressed hope that they would stay united.

10. As he cast his "No" vote, Representative Lagman maintained that abolishing the ARMM and installing the Bangsamoro autonomous homeland by ordinary legislation was a flawed and unconstitutional process. He added that the proposed political entity was vested with powers ascendant to the ARMM some of which are nebulous and unexplained like those pertaining to power, energy, natural resources, and budgeting.
11. Representative Lobregat abstained from voting. He said that he was for peace but the BBL should be just, fair, acceptable, and consistent with the Constitution and existing laws. He cited some of the measure's provisions which are unconstitutional and are disadvantageous to the Republic such as those on the creeping expansion of the Bangsamoro as a result of various plebiscites; the land-based definition of contiguity; and the transfer of the national government's exclusive powers to the Bangsamoro's concurrent powers.
12. Representative Pacquiao manifested his support to the BBL but asked that the conduct of subsequent plebiscites in other areas in Mindanao be left to the decision of future legislators. He expressed hope that the matter would be considered during the bicameral conference committee to improve the law as well as increase the chances of surviving a constitutional challenge before the Supreme Court.
13. Representative Rodriguez (M.) said that he was voting "No" for reasons contained in his interpellation in the previous day's session and for other vital concerns. He prayed that Mindanao will see the light of day for peace and unity under a federal government which the President had already pledged to the people.
14. In explaining his "Yes" vote, Representative Sy-Alvarado said that he strongly supports the Bill as he believed that it was important and necessary to attain a peaceful and unified Mindanao and a progressive Philippines.
15. Despite voting in the affirmative, Representative Teves expressed reservation and apprehension that the approval of the BBL may prompt other regions with a similar concern for autonomy to follow suit and the national government might not afford the same given its budgetary constraints.
16. Representative Tinio explained that he was voting against the substitute bill to House Bill No. 6475 for the following reasons: a) it was not reflective of the true sentiments and aspirations of the Bangsamoro people; b) certain provisions on education, health, power and energy, police, and territorial rights were significantly removed from the original version; c) and the Bill did not have concrete provisions for a just and lasting peace in Mindanao.

REMINDER FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair stated that Representative Lobregat's time had already been consumed.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES

(Continuation)

Representative Lobregat expressed hope that the bicameral conference committee will resolve the aforesaid issues, together with the repealing provisions of the Bill which will result in the amendment of other important laws.

12. Representative Pacquiao manifested his support to the BBL but asked that the conduct of subsequent plebiscites in other areas in Mindanao be left to the decision of future legislators. He expressed hope that the matter would be considered during the bicameral conference committee to improve the law as well as increase the chances of surviving a constitutional challenge before the Supreme Court.
13. Representative Rodriguez (M.) said that he was voting "No" for reasons contained in his interpellation in the previous day's session and for other vital concerns. He prayed that Mindanao will see the light of day for peace and unity under a federal government which the President had already pledged to the people.
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17. Representative Tan (S.) said that her affirmative vote comes with a reservation and an appeal to consider her amendment on the conduct of plebiscites in order to give the people concerned territorial freedom to choose whether or not to be included in the proposed Bangsamoro autonomous region.
18. Speaking in Filipino, Representative Zarate stated that despite being amenable to the long-standing quest for self-determination and autonomy of the Moro people, he was voting against the recently approved Bill. He then enumerated provisions that were taken out of the original version. He added that the continued violation of rights of certain sectors and the failure to resolve the problems of poverty and injustices would not warrant a true and genuine autonomy for the Bangsamoro people.

MANIFESTATION OF THE CHAIR

The Chair manifested that the final result of the voting on House Bill No. 6475 should be 227 affirmative votes instead of 226 as had been earlier announced, 11 negative votes, and two abstentions.

THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

With leave of the House, on motion of Representative Matugas, there being no objection, the

Chair declared a Privilege Hour and subsequently recognized Rep. Edgar R. Erice to deliver his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ERICE

Representative Erice said that he rose to defend the integrity of the Members and all elected officials and to clear out malicious allegations of former Senator Ferdinand “Bongbong” R. Marcos, Jr. that cheating occurred during the 2016 national and local election under an automated election system (AES).

Opining that the last election was the most successful and cleanest in the country, he adverted to the Senator’s election protest against Vice President Leni Robredo and the ongoing recount of votes cast for both of them. He said that the accusations, lies, and fake news coming from the Senator’s camp cast doubt on the integrity of the electoral system. Saying that such allegations usually come from losing candidates but are proven to be wrong and baseless after numerous Committee hearings in the House, he asserted that the AES is superior despite some technological glitches; is cost-effective; and is faster than the manual system thus resulting in a fair, peaceful, and honest election.

After recalling the amassing of wealth and manipulation of elections during the term of the late President Ferdinand E. Marcos, Representative Erice enumerated Senator Marcos’ allegations about the anomalies in the election in favor of then Vice Presidential Candidate Robredo. He refuted them one by one and explained how they could not have been possible, after which he expressed hope that the Senator will be gentleman enough to accept his defeat and will trust that the Presidential Electoral Tribunal will do its job and render a just decision on his election protest.

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Gullas, the Chair recognized Representative Atienza for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

In response to a remark of Representative Atienza that Representative Erice had no direct knowledge of election systems and procedures, the latter stressed that he was a Member of the Joint Senate Congressional Committee on the Automated Elections and Vice Chairperson of the 16th Congress’ House Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms.

The two Members then discussed the integrity of soiled or wet ballots, with Representative Erice explaining that ballots are always photographed in SD cards which are deposited in the Central Bank and other agencies such as the Commission on Elections (Comelec).

They also tackled the alleged transmission of election results from contested areas, with Representative Erice clarifying that the voting machines are not activated before election day and what are transmitted are merely “zero votes” to show the public that no votes have yet been registered.

Thereafter, Representative Atienza expressed hope that his colleague will not be victimized by his political opponents who could use Smartmatic machines, which he believed to be unreliable, for dirty intentions. He said he believed in Senator Marcos’ allegations of cheating but nothing would come out of his protest as no one from the Comelec supported him.

Representative Erice however stressed that he can prove that there was no cheating in the last election.

REFERRAL OF THE PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ERICE

On motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Erice’s privilege speech and the interpellation thereon to the Committee on Rules.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Gullas acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Reps. Sherwin N. Tugna and Frederick W. Siao.

On motion of Representative Gullas, the Chair recognized Rep. Tom S. Villarin for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE VILLARIN

Representative Villarin alleged that during a committee hearing in the House premises on March 20, 2018, Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) Undersecretary Jacinto Paras took his iPhone without his consent and abandoned it in another room, based on a review of the CCTV footage provided by the House security unit. He said that he did not know what Undersecretary Paras’ motive was because if he had taken his phone accidentally, he should have asked for assistance to find the owner of the phone. He however surmised that the motive was political.

He thereafter asked his colleagues to express disdain about the aforementioned act which, he said, constituted a case of grave misconduct that the Ombudsman can investigate and issue a preventive suspension on. He added that the House should censure as well as ban Undersecretary Paras from entering the Batasan premises until full redress of his grievances has been settled. He disclosed that he had filed a criminal case of theft against Undersecretary Paras the previous day and asked permission to be given a complete video recording of the incident which he could use as evidence in court.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE VILLARIN'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

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

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

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

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 680 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7437

On motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7437, as contained in Committee Report No. 680 and reported out by the Committee on Health.

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

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PRIVATIZATION AND CORPORATIZATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES AND PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.”

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

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the period of sponsorship and debate and the Chair recognized Representative Atienza for his sponsorship remarks.

SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

Sponsoring the Bill with the consent of Rep. Angelina “Helen” D.L. Tan, M.D., Chairperson of the Committee on Health, Representative Atienza explained that the measure's aim is for the non-privatization of national and local hospitals.

He then explained that if public hospitals, health facilities and health services will be privatized, the services extended to the poor such as free medicines will be restricted; and pointed out that private hospitals cannot just provide free services to the poor.

Representative Atienza subsequently remarked that the sad reality is that public hospitals are being negotiated to give way to the construction of commercial and condominium projects. He concluded that the Bill will protect the people's right to health in accordance with the Constitution; and appealed to his colleagues to support the measure.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN

Recognized by the Chair upon Representative Gullas' motion, Representative Lagman stated for the record that he supported the measure but wanted to know whether specialty hospitals with separate legislative charters like the Philippine Heart Center are covered by the Bill. Representative Atienza replied that the Bill had no exclusion provision but a general provision that government hospitals should be beyond the reach of commercial negotiations from the public and private sectors.

Thereupon, Representative Lagman asked that the Bill clarify that its definition of “public hospital” includes specialty hospitals; and Representative Atienza welcomed an amendment thereon at the proper time.

TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE

There being no further interpellations, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on House Bill No. 7437, and proceeded to the period of amendments.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Gullas, the Chair suspended the session at 6:49 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:49 p.m.

PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no Committee amendments, the Chair recognized Representative Lagman for his individual amendment.

AMENDMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN

As proposed by Representative Lagman, and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved the former's amendments on page 2 regarding the definition of "public hospitals."

TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

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

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7437, AS AMENDED

On motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting House Bill No. 7437, as amended.

SENATE TRANSMITTAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 6475

On another motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body directed the Secretariat to immediately transmit to the Senate copies of House Bill No. 6475 that had just been approved on Third Reading.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 744 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7752

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7752, as contained in Committee Report No. 744 and submitted by the Committee on Legislative Franchises, extending for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to Insular Broadcasting System, Inc. under R.A. No. 7964; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, with the concurrence of Rep. Franz E. Alvarez, Chairperson of the Committee; terminated

the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 745 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7753

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7753, as contained in Committee Report No. 745 and submitted by the Committee on Legislative Franchises, extending for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to Iglesia Ni Cristo (Church of Christ) under R.A. No. 4339, as amended by R.A. No. 7225; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, with the concurrence of Representative Alvarez (F.), Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 656 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7373

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7373, as contained in Committee Report No. 656 and submitted by the Special Committee on Reforestation, requiring the planting of trees for any construction of residential, commercial, industrial, and public buildings; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, with the concurrence of Rep. Joseph Stephen S. Paduano, one of the authors of the measure; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 742 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7749

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7749, as

contained in Committee Report No. 742 and submitted by the Committee on Youth and Sports Development, declaring August 12 of every year as the National Youth Day; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, with the concurrence of Rep. Conrado M. Estrella III, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Gullas, the Chair recognized Representative Elago on a manifestation.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

As she expressed gratitude to the Chairperson of the Committee on Youth and Sports Development for the approval of House Bill No. 7749, Representative Elago stated that National Youth Day is a celebration of the achievements of the Filipino youth. She said that the youth, along with other stakeholders and advocates of the right for education, demand that the government implement a free education program; allocate a higher State subsidy to public tertiary education; and uphold democratic rights and welfare.

She stressed that they are united not only to make tertiary education free and accessible to all but to address the ills of education in the country. As the struggle for a patriotic and nationalistic education continues, she concluded, National Youth Day should serve as an example for today's youth to fight for their rights.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY OF REPRESENTATIVE ESTRELLA

To a parliamentary inquiry of Representative Estrella, Representative Gullas, with the permission of the Chair, requested the Members who wished to be made additional coauthors of House Bill No. 7749 to inform the Secretary General about the same.

ADOPTION OF CERTAIN HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered the following House Resolutions; dispensed

with the reading of the texts of the measures without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House; and unanimously adopted the same:

1. House Resolution No. 1818, entitled: "A RESOLUTION URGING THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION TO INCLUDE PSORIASIS IN THE LIST OF DISEASES AND AILMENTS COVERED BY ITS HEALTH CARE PROGRAM, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF MAKING PSORIASIS TREATMENT AVAILABLE, ESPECIALLY TO THE MARGINALIZED SECTOR, AND LESSENING CASES OF PSORIASIS IN THE COUNTRY";
2. House Resolution No. 1885, entitled: "A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROMOTE HARM REDUCTION MEASURES, AS PART OF ITS NATIONAL TOBACCO CONTROL STRATEGY, PARTICULARLY THE USE OF ELECTRONIC CIGARETTES AS AN ALTERNATIVE FOR SMOKERS";
3. House Resolution No. 1922, entitled: "RESOLUTION CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST POSSIBLE TERMS THE MURDER OF FORMER REPRESENTATIVE EUFRANIO C. ERIGUEL OF THE SECOND DISTRICT OF LA UNION" in consolidation with House Resolutions No. 1876 and 1898;
4. House Resolution No. 1925, entitled: "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF FORMER SENATE PRESIDENT EDGARDO JAVIER ANGARA, FATHER OF SENATOR SONNY M. ANGARA AND BROTHER OF REPRESENTATIVE BELLAFLOR J. ANGARA-CASTILLO OF THE LONE DISTRICT OF AURORA," in consolidation with House Resolutions No. 1865, 1872, 1874, 1877, and 1883;
5. House Resolution No. 1924, entitled: "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE ROQUE R.

ABLAN, JR., FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIRST DISTRICT OF ILOCOS NORTE DURING THE SIXTH TO TENTH AND TWELFTH TO FOURTEENTH CONGRESSES”, in consolidation with House Resolutions No. 1804 and 1835;

6. House Resolution No. 1926, entitled: “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE FELIX RIGOROSO ALFELOR, JR., FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT OF CAMARINES SUR DURING THE TWELFTH, THIRTEENTH AND FOURTEENTH CONGRESSES,” in consolidation with House Resolution No. 1811;
7. House Resolution No. 1927, entitled: “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE TEODULO “DOLOY” M. COQUILLA, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LONE DISTRICT OF EASTERN SAMAR DURING THE FOURTEENTH CONGRESS”; and
8. House Resolution No. 1923, entitled: “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF HONORABLE EUFRANIO C. ERIGUEL, FORMER REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SECOND DISTRICT OF LA UNION DURING THE FIFTEENTH AND SIXTEENTH CONGRESSES,” in consolidation with House Resolutions No. 1866, 1873, 1880, and 1882.

**OMNIBUS APPROVAL ON
SECOND READING OF CERTAIN
HOUSE BILLS UNDER THE
BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY**

On an omnibus motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading the following House Bills calendared under the Business for Thursday and Friday, as contained in various Committee Reports and submitted by the Committees concerned; dispensed with the reading of the texts thereof without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the

House; adopted the Explanatory Notes as the sponsorship remarks on the measures; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting:

1. House Bill No. 7472, as contained in Committee Report No. 687 and submitted by the Committee on Natural Resources, declaring certain lands of the public domain, located in Bantayan, Madridejos, and Sta. Fe, all in Cebu, as agricultural land open to disposition for agricultural, commercial, residential, and tourism purposes;
2. House Bill No. 7498, as contained in Committee Report No. 709 and submitted by the Committees on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources, and Appropriations, establishing a multi-species marine hatchery in Bataan, Ticao Island, Masbate;
3. House Bill No. 7504, as contained in Committee Report No. 715 and submitted by the Committee on Revision of Laws, declaring November 28 of every year a special non-working holiday in Sarangani Province in commemoration of its founding anniversary;
4. House Bill No. 7508, as contained in Committee Report No. 719 and submitted by the Committees on Tourism, and Appropriations, declaring Mt. Pinatubo in Botolan, Zambales an ecotourism zone;
5. House Bill No. 7509, as contained in Committee Report No. 720 and submitted by the Committees on Tourism, and Appropriations, declaring Mt. Tapulao in Palauig, Zambales an ecotourism zone and forest reserve;
6. House Bill No. 7545, as contained in Committee Report No. 728 and submitted by the Committee on Revision of Laws, declaring October 27 of every year a special working holiday in Sarangani Province in recognition of its indigenous peoples who constitute a large portion of the population and have contributed to the rich and diverse cultural heritage of the province;
7. House Bill No. 7548, as contained in Committee Report No. 729 and submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education, and Appropriations, converting the

West Visayas State University (WVSU)-Extension in Himamaylan, Negros Occidental into a regular campus of the WVSU to be known as the WVSU-Himamaylan City Campus;

8. House Bill No. 7713, as contained in Committee Report No. 733 and submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture, changing the name of Inoyonan High School in Inoyonan, Bula, Camarines Sur to Felipe P. Pantan High School;
9. House Bill No. 7714, as contained in Committee Report No. 734 and submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture, changing the name of Tawantawan Elementary School in Tawantawan, Baguio District, Davao City to Rosalia "Aglay" Ayag Elementary School;
10. House Bill No. 7733, as contained in Committee Report No. 737 and submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education, Appropriations, and Ways and Means, converting the Dr. Emilio B. Espinosa, Sr. Memorial State College of Agriculture and Technology (DEBESMSCAT) in Mandaon, Masbate into a state university to be known as the Dr. Emilio B. Espinosa, Sr. – Masbate State University (DEBESMSU);
11. House Bill No. 7750, as contained in Committee Report No. 743 and submitted by the Committees on Tourism, and Appropriations, declaring Sagrada Familia Caves in Sta. Cruz, Zambales an ecotourism zone;
12. House Bill No. 7754, as contained in Committee Report No. 746 and submitted by the Committee on Legislative Franchises, renewing for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to First Love Broadcasting Network, Inc. under R.A. No. 8100;
13. House Bill No. 7767, as contained in Committee Report No. 749 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, separating the Sicsican National High School-Annex in Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan from the Sicsican National High School, and converting it into the Santa Monica National High School;
14. House Bill No. 7768, as contained in Committee Report No. 750 and submitted by the

Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, separating the Bocboc National High School-Kiara Annex in Kiara, Don Carlos, Bukidnon from the Bocboc National High School, and converting it into the Kiara National High School;

15. House Bill No. 7769, as contained in Committee Report No. 751 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, establishing the Pinayag National High School in Pinayag, Kayapa, Nueva Vizcaya;
16. House Bill No. 7775, as contained in Committee Report No. 755 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, converting the Bayog National High School in Kahayagan, Bayog, Zamboanga del Sur into the Bayog National Technical-Vocational High School;
17. House Bill No. 7776, as contained in Committee Report No. 756 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, separating the Dabubu High School-Annex in Sinaoangan Sur, San Agustin, Isabela, and converting it into the Southeastern Region High School; and
18. House Bill No. 7777, as contained in Committee Report No. 757 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, separating the Cabangahan National High School-Cordova National High School Extension in Day-as, Cordova, Cebu, and converting it into the Cordova National High School.

**BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 694
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7483**

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7483, as contained in Committee Report No. 694 and submitted by the Committees on Aquaculture and Fisheries, and Appropriations, establishing multi-species marine hatcheries in Zamboanga City; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, on motion of Rep. Luis "Jon-Jon" A. Ferrer VI, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and proceeded to the period of amendments.

PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no Committee amendments, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Chair recognized Rep. Manuel Jose “Mannix” M. Dalipe for his individual amendment.

AMENDMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE DALIPE

As proposed by Representative Dalipe, and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved the amendment in Section 2 of the Bill.

TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no other individual amendments, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7483, AS AMENDED

On motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting, House Bill No. 7483, as amended.

REFERRAL OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS ON INQUIRIES IN AID OF LEGISLATION

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the following House Resolutions to the appropriate Committees hereunder indicated:

1. House Resolution No. 1829, on protecting overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) and clarifying the mandates of the Departments of Foreign Affairs, and Labor and Employment to rescue them in light of the diplomatic protests of Kuwait against the Philippines, the arrest of Filipino nationals, and the declaration of the Philippine Ambassador as *persona non-grata* arising from the rescue of distressed OFWs in Kuwait – to the Committees on Overseas Workers Affairs, and Foreign Affairs;
2. House Resolution No. 1830, on the case of numerous abuses committed against household service workers in the Middle East, with the view of protecting the welfare of

Filipinos working abroad – to the Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs;

3. House Resolution No. 1831, on the status of the ₱1.8 billion allocation in the 2017 fiscal year budget reserved for post resettlement fund – to the Committee on Housing and Urban Development;
4. House Resolution No. 1832, on the quality of housing units and the availability of utility services established under shelter construction projects for areas affected by natural and man-made calamities – to the Committee on Housing and Urban Development;
5. House Resolution No. 1834, on alleged illegal charges being imposed by Grab Philippines on its customers – to the Committee on Transportation;
6. House Resolution No. 1838, on the immediate review of the implementation of R.A.No. 10963, otherwise known as the TRAIN Law, and its impact on the way of life of Filipinos, specifically the poor, amidst the continued increase in inflation, and prices of fuel, in order to recommend its continued implementation or suspension as well as to come up with policies that would cushion its negative impact on the poor – to the Committee on Ways and Means;
7. House Resolution No. 1842, on the alleged installation of surface-to-air and anti-ship cruise missiles on Kagitingan Reef (Fiery Cross), Zamora Reef (Subi), and Pangani-ban Reef (Mischief) in the Spratly Islands chain in South China Sea, and condemnation thereof if found to be true – to the Committee on National Defense and Security;
8. House Resolution No. 1843, on the latest report from the Philippine Statistics Authority showing that 145,000 more Filipinos are unemployed in 2017 with an end goal of charting the necessary legislation and strategies to address the persistent problem of unemployment in the country – to the Committee on Labor and Employment;
9. House Resolution No. 1844, on the finding of the Commission on Audit of the anomalous multi-million transaction between the

- Department of Tourism (DOT) and Bitag Media Unlimited, Inc. (BMUI) – to the Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability;
10. House Resolution No. 1846, on the impact of the government's closing down of Boracay Island that displaced 36,000 workers, amid reports of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR)-approved construction of casino resorts in the island – to the Committee on Tourism;
 11. House Resolution No. 1850, on the March 24, 2018 abduction of Adelaida Macusang, peasant woman activist and member of Montevista Farmers Association (MONTEFERMA) by elements of the 25th Infantry Battalion of the Philippine Army in Camansi, Montevista Town, Compostela Valley – to the Committee on National Defense and Security;
 12. House Resolution No. 1851, on the threat of displacement of farmers and residents from the 1,265-hectares Pujalte Estate in Taytay Town, Palawan, covered by the Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program via compulsory acquisition – to the Committee on Agrarian Reform;
 13. House Resolution No. 1854, on the development of the New Bilibid Prison – to the Committee on Justice;
 14. House Resolution No. 1856, on the reported deployment of missiles in the Spratly Islands by China – to the Committee on National Defense and Security;
 15. House Resolution No. 1859, on the removal of the comfort woman statue along Roxas Blvd., Manila amid the Japanese government's statements against the statue — to the Committee on Foreign Affairs;
 16. House Resolution No. 1863, on the dismal and inhumane conditions of the employees' locker room and restroom in Landmark department store in Makati City — to the Committee on Labor and Employment;
 17. House Resolution No. 1864, on the assassination of Department of Justice prosecutors — to the Committee on Public Order and Safety;
 18. House Resolution No. 1868, on the collapse of a wooden footbridge in the resettlement site for the Zamboanga siege victims — to the Committee on Housing and Urban Development;
 19. House Resolution No. 1871, on the data breach of 1.2 million Filipino Facebook users — to the Committee on Information and Communications Technology;
 20. House Resolution No. 1879, on the rising complaints against telecommunications companies on poor mobile and Internet services, billing problems, and various consumer problems — to the Committee on Information and Communications Technology;
 21. House Resolution No. 1881, on the reported smuggling of illegal drugs off the coastal waters of the Provinces of Camarines Norte and Quezon — to the Committee on Dangerous Drugs;
 22. House Resolution No. 1884, on the alleged discrimination of passengers going to and from the Province of Nueva Vizcaya by private bus operators plying the Cagayan Valley Route — to the Committee on Transportation;
 23. House Resolution No. 1886, on the alleged anomalous ₱60-million advertisement deal between the DOT headed by former Secretary Wanda Teo and BMUI owned and hosted by her brothers Ben and Erwin Tulfo — to the Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability; and
 24. House Resolution No. 1887, on the status of implementation of the K to 12 Program — to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the following Resolutions, including a Committee Report, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

House Resolution No. 1931, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED MASSIVE SMUGGLING OF GOLD PRODUCED BY SMALL-SCALE MINES, RESULTING TO REVENUE LOSS OF PHP20 BILLION”

By Representative Bolilia

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1932, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING SAN MIGUEL ALAB PILIPINAS FOR BEING THE CHAMPIONS OF THE 2017-2018 ASEAN BASKETBALL LEAGUE”

By Representative Pacquiao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1933, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING NEIL LEONARD DULA ETHERIDGE FOR BEING THE FIRST FILIPINO AND SOUTHEAST ASIAN TO PLAY IN THE ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE”

By Representative Pacquiao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1934, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING JORDAN CLARKSON FOR BEING THE FIRST FILIPINO TO QUALIFY FOR THE FINALS OF THE NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION”

By Representative Pacquiao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1935, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MISS JANELLE MICHAELA S. PANGANIBAN, DAUGHTER OF REPRESENTATIVE JOSE T. PANGANIBAN, JR. OF ANAC-IP PARTY-LIST AND MAYOR LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN OF ANGADANAN, ISABELA, FOR GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE FROM THE NEW YORK UNIVERSITY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA”

By Representatives Alvarez (P.) and Fariñas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1936, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE TO ESTABLISH THE PHILIPPINES STRATEGIC FUEL RESERVES AND EXPAND THE PANTAWID PASADA CASH GRANTS PROGRAM, USING THE MALAMPAYA FUND”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

DESIGNATION OF HOUSE CONFEREES

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body designated the following Members to the Conference Committee to reconcile the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 6475 and Senate Bill No. 1717, or the proposed Bangsamoro Basic Law: Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas; Representatives Pedro B. Acharon Jr., Mauyag “Jun” B. Papandayan Jr., and Ruby M. Sahali; Deputy Speaker Bai Sandra Sinsuat A. Sema; Representatives Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc, Arthur R. Defensor, Jr., Johnny Ty Pimentel, Eugene Michael B. De Vera, Rodolfo T. Albano III, Amihilda J. Sangcopan, Wilter “Sharky” Wee Palma II, Celso L. Lobregat, Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo, Abdullah D. Dimaporo, Romeo M. Acop, Seth Frederick P. Jalosjos, and Shernee Abubakar Tan.

Likewise, on successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body designated the following Members to the Conference Committees to reconcile the disagreeing votes on the following House Bills:

1. House Bills No. 5349, 5635, and 6314, granting/renewing franchises to certain

companies: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, Sherwin N. Tugna, Jose "Pingping" I. Tejada, Ferrer (L.), and Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.;

2. House Bill No. 6465, converting the Northwestern Mindanao State College of Science and Technology into a state university: Reps. Ann K. Hofer, Henry S. Oaminal, and Julieta R. Cortuna; and
3. House Bill No. 6031, mandating the integration of the Maasin City College in Southern Leyte into the Southern Leyte State University: Representatives Hofer, Roger G. Mercado, and Cortuna.

RATIFICATION OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS ON CERTAIN MEASURES

On motion of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered and subsequently ratified the Conference Committee Reports on the disagreeing provisions of the following House Bills and their Senate counterparts:

1. House Bill No. 6907 and Senate Bill No. 1459, strengthening the legal framework for secured transactions in the Philippines;
2. House Bill No. 6221 and Senate Bill No. 1738, establishing the Philippine Identification System; and
3. House Bill No. 6578 and Senate Bill No. 1762, establishing a retirement benefit system in the Office of the Ombudsman.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1935

On successive motions of Representative Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered House Resolution No. 1935, entitled: "A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MISS JANELLE MICAELA S. PANGANIBAN, DAUGHTER OF REPRESENTATIVE JOSE T. PANGANIBAN JR. OF ANAC-IP PARTY-LIST AND MAYOR LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN OF ANGADANAN, ISABELA, FOR GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE FROM THE NEW YORK UNIVERSITY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA"; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and unanimously adopted the same in consolidation with House Resolution No. 1920.

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

On motion of Representative Gonzales (A.D.), there being no objection, the Body approved to include as additional coauthors of bills and resolutions that are pending in various committees, the names of Members contained in the lists to be submitted by the Committee on Rules after due verification of their requests for inclusion as coauthors of such measures.

CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES

On successive motions of Representative Gonzales (A.D.), there being no objection, the Body changed the referral of the following House Bills:

1. House Bill No. 6228 – from the Committee on Welfare of Children to the Committees on Government Reorganization, and Welfare of Children;
2. House Bill No. 6709 – from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship Development to the Committees on Small Business and Entrepreneurship Development, and Poverty Alleviation;
3. House Bill No. 7018 – from the Committee on Population and Family Relations to the Committees on Government Reorganization, and Population and Family Relations; and
4. House Bill No. 7695 – from the Committee on Justice to the Committee on Population and Family Relations.

REFERRAL OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1928

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation, on motion of Representative Gonzales (A.D.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer House Resolution No. 1928, on the gross financial and operational mismanagement, corruption, as well as the proliferation of fraud through the creation of ghost members, in the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth), to the Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability.

Thereafter, the Chair recognized Representative Tinio on a parliamentary inquiry.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Representative Tinio asked how his vote was registered for the ratification of the Conference Committee Report harmonizing the conflicting provisions of House Bill No. 6221 and Senate Bill No. 1738, seeking the establishment of the Philippine Identification System; and requested that his *nay* vote be registered.

The Chair took note of the same.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

With leave of the House, on successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Chair subsequently declared a Privilege Hour and recognized Rep. France L. Castro for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F. L.)

Speaking in Filipino, Representative Castro initially said that the increase in the prices of basic commodities, services, and housing have been triggered by the imposition of new and higher taxes under the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion (TRAIN) Law, which would be further aggravated by the proposal to pass TRAIN II.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Abu relinquished the Chair to Representative Gonzales (A.D.).

Then focusing on the education sector, Representative Castro first explained the negative effects of the TRAIN Law on public schools. She pointed out that the Brigada Eskwela program is proof of the government's failure to appropriate an adequate budget to the sector because under the said program, the responsibility of providing cleaning materials, instructional materials, school supplies and furniture, and water and sanitation facilities are passed on to teachers, parents, and students at their own personal expense.

She next explained how the TRAIN Law has caused the increase in tuition fees and textbooks in private schools, which increase did not result in higher salaries for their teachers and personnel.

Thereupon, Representative Castro pointed out that the TRAIN Law will result in a higher rate of school drop-outs and lower budgets for education and social services. She thus asked Congress to seek the repeal of the TRAIN Law and object to the crafting of the proposed TRAIN II.

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

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Castro's (F.L.) privilege speech to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

On further motion of Rep. de Venecia, the Chair recognized Representative Tinio to deliver his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Adverting to the forthcoming resumption of classes, Representative Tinio expressed concern about the huge problems in the education sector especially with the implementation of the K to 12 Program. He cited the lack of school buildings, facilities, teachers, and personnel, as he noted the low teacher:student ratio in the country as compared to other Asian nations.

He also cited the lack of proper implementation of different government programs such as the Classroom Building Program, Alternative Learning System, and the Government Assistance for Students and Teachers in Private Education.

After citing data on all of the above, Representative Tinio reminded the Duterte Administration of its constitutional mandate to provide free quality education as well as decent salaries and security of tenure to teachers; called on the Departments of Education, and Budget and Management to look for permanent solutions to the never-ending problems in the education system; and appealed to his colleagues to support the education budget in the 2019 budget deliberations.

At this juncture, Representative Gonzales (A.D.) relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Abu.

REFERRAL OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO'S PRIVILEGE SPEECH

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Tinio to the Committee on Rules.

On a subsequent motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Representative Elago for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

Representative Elago initially cited R.A. No. 10931 or the Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act, a landmark legislation which was approved to respond to the long-standing demand of the Filipino youth for free education up to the tertiary level. She however lamented the fact that tuition and other fees continue to be collected in State schools.

Acknowledging the presence in the Session Hall of the members of the Rise for Education Alliance that crafted a manifesto of unity, she enumerated their demands for free education, a higher State subsidy for public tertiary education, and democratic rights and autonomy in student campuses.

Representative Elago then stressed the need to curb the practice of profiteering from education; and called on Congress to investigate the lack of proper implementation of free education as well as the commercialization of the K to 12 Program.

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

On another motion of Representative Bondoc, the Chair recognized Representative Zajid G. Mangudadatu for a manifestation.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE MANGUDADATU

Representative Mangudadatu manifested his affirmative vote on House Bill No. 6475 or the BBL Law, explaining that he arrived late for the voting thereon due to a previous commitment to attend the turnover ceremony of the Presidential Security Group in Malacañang.

AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT COMMITTEE MEETINGS/ PUBLIC HEARINGS

Pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, on motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body authorized all committees to conduct meetings or public hearings, if deemed necessary, during the adjournment *sine die* of the House scheduled from June 2 to July 22, 2018.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17

On successive motions of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body considered House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, entitled: "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES NOT LATER THAN TWELVE O' CLOCK MIDNIGHT, TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 30, 2018"; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and unanimously adopted the same.

DESIGNATION OF MEMBERS TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON NOTIFICATION

In view of the adoption of House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, on motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body designated all Deputy Speakers of the House as members of the Joint Committee to notify the President of the Philippines of the adjournment of the Second Regular Session of the Seventeenth Congress.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1929

On successive motions of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body considered House Resolution No. 1929, entitled: "RESOLUTION DECLARING THE JOURNAL OF THE SESSION DATED MAY 30, 2018, AS HAVING BEEN READ AND APPROVED," with the Secretary General reading the text thereof; and unanimously adopted the same.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

To enable the Secretariat to transmit to the Senate the aforesaid House Resolutions that had been adopted, on motion of Representative Bondoc, the session was suspended at 8:01 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 8:01 p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the consideration of a Message from the Senate.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the following Message from the Senate which the Chair consigned to the Archives:

Message from the Senate dated May 30, 2018 informing the House of Representatives that they adopted Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 11.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

In order to give time to the Members of the Joint Committee on Notification, as provided for in House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, to perform its assigned task, on motion of Representative Bondoc, the Chair suspended the session at 8:02 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 8:02 p.m.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON NOTIFICATION

Whereupon, Representative Bondoc conveyed to the Body the report of the Joint Committee that the President had been informed that the Second Regular Session of the Seventeenth Congress will adjourn that night.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 85

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 85, dated May 29, 2018.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1930

On motion of Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body considered House Resolution No. 1930.

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

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ FOR HIS COMPETENT AND EFFECTIVE STEWARDSHIP OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE SECOND REGULAR SESSION OF THE SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS.”

As copies of the Resolution had been previously distributed to the Members, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF MAJORITY LEADER FARIÑAS

On motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body approved to insert into the records his sponsorship speech on the measure.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1930

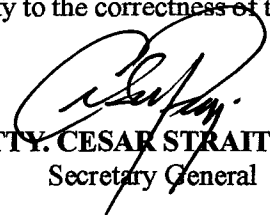
Thereupon, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Body unanimously adopted House Resolution No. 1930.

ADJOURNMENT *SINE DIE*

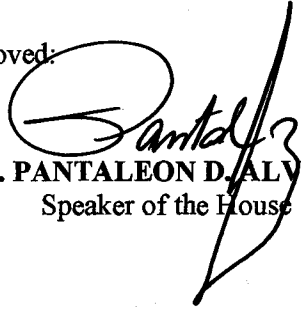
Thereafter, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the Second Regular Session of the Seventeenth Congress adjourned *sine die* until the opening of the Third Regular Session at ten o'clock in the morning of Monday, July 23, 2018.

It was 8:05 p.m., Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


ATTY. CESAR STRAIT PAREJA
Secretary General

Approved:


HON. PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ
Speaker of the House

DOCUMENTS DISTRIBUTED

Printed copies of the following measures were distributed to the Members during the session:

1. House Bill No. 7503, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING 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”
2. House Bill No. 7512, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BARANGAY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT APPROACH FOR NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT (BIDANI) OF THE RURAL POOR AS A LINKAGE PROGRAM FOR ALL STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
3. House Bill No. 7544, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING THE LAST MONDAY OF JANUARY OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN OBSERVANCE OF 'NATIONAL BIBLE DAY' ”

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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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