CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Speaker Evelina G. Escudero called the session to order at 5:00 p.m.

INVOCATION AND NATIONAL ANTHEM

Rep. Jericho Jonas B. Nograles delivered the invocation and thereafter, the Members sang the National Anthem.

DEFERMENT OF ROLL CALL

On motion of Rep. Marissa Andaya, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll.

APPROVAL OF JOURNALS NO. 12 AND 13

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Andaya, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 12 dated August 27, 2019 and Journal No. 13 dated August 28, 2019.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

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

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

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 4101, entitled:
“AN ACT GRANTING THE FRANCHISE OF THE PANAY ELECTRIC COMPANY, INC. ORIGINALLY GRANTED UNDER ACT NO. 2983 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5360 AND EXTENDED BY THE NATIONAL ELECTRIFICATION COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF ELECTRIC POWER TO END USERS IN THE CITY OF ILOILO”
By Representative Paduano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 4102, entitled:
“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 15 AND 16 OF ARTICLE V OF RA NO. 10611, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'FOOD SAFETY ACT OF 2013’”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

House Bill No. 4103, entitled:
“AN ACT MODERNIZING THE BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION, DEFINING ITS POWER AND FUNCTION, EXPANDING, RATIONALIZING AND FURTHER PROFESSIONALIZING ITS ORGANIZATION, UPGRADING THE COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS OF ITS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4104, entitled:
“AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 21 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 10640 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS

House Bill No. 4105, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEFINITION OF PUBLIC UTILITY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 146, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PUBLIC SERVICE ACT,' AS AMENDED”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 4106, entitled:
“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7042, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE 'FOREIGN INVESTMENTS ACT OF 1991’
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 4107, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING THE PHILIPPINE MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY (PMMA) TO SELECT ONE CADET FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT EVERY YEAR TO COMPRISE ITS INCOMING CLASS”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4108, entitled:
“AN ACT PROMOTING AND SUPPORTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CORN INDUSTRY, ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE CORN INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CORNDEV), APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4109, entitled:
“AN ACT PROMOTING OPEN ACCESS IN DATA TRANSMISSION, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL POWERS TO THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION”
By Representative Abaya
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4110, entitled:
“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE POWERS OF THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES”
By Representative Abaya
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4111, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A RAINWATER HARVESTING FACILITY IN ALL NEW INSTITUTIONAL, COMMERCIAL, AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN METRO MANILA”
By Representatives Lopez and Reyes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4112, entitled:
“AN ACT ADOPTING THE INTEGRATED RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT APPROACH AS A COMPREHENSIVE FRAMEWORK IN DEVELOPING AND MANAGING THE COUNTRY’S RIVER BASIN SYSTEMS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4113, entitled:
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 4114, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4115, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ONLINE NETWORK FOR THE PHILIPPINES”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4116, entitled:
“AN ACT INSTITUTING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION, ESTABLISHING INCLUSIVE EDUCATION LEARNING
RESOURCE CENTERS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL NEEDS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIVISIONS, PROVIDING FOR STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4117, entitled:
“AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR OVERLOADING OF PASSENGERS IN PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE R.A. NO. 4136 ENTITLED ‘LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE’ ”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4118, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SAFETY MEASURES FOR CULVERTS OR OTHER SIMILAR FLOOD OR DRAINAGE SYSTEMS MAINTAINED BY GOVERNMENT ENTITIES”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4119, entitled:
“AN ACT REVERTING FISHPONDS WHICH HAVE BEEN UNUTILIZED OR ABANDONED FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS TO FORESTLANDS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 43 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 705 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED FORESTRY REFORM CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4120, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING ALL EMPLOYERS IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS, INCLUDING ALL GOVERNMENT OFFICES, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES, TO PROVIDE, FREE OF CHARGE, CLEAN, HEALTHY, SUFFICIENT AND ACCESSIBLE DRINKING WATER TO ALL ITS EMPLOYEES”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4121, entitled:
“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE APPROPRIATION, ENCROACHMENT, REGISTRATION AND TITLING OF CREEKS, ESTEROS, STREAMS, CANALS, RIVER BANKS, OTHER PUBLIC WATERWAYS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4122, entitled:
“AN ACT REQUIRING DRIVER’S EDUCATION FOR ALL PROFESSIONAL TRUCK DRIVERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4123, entitled:
By Representatives Fortun and Amante-Matba
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4124, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A RAINWATER HARVESTING FACILITY IN ALL NEW INSTITUTIONAL, COMMERCIAL, AND RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN METRO MANILA”
By Representative Belmonte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4125, entitled:
“AN ACT PRESCRIBING A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE EVICTION OF UNDERPRIVILEGED AND HOMELESS
CITIZENS OR THE DEMOLITION OF THEIR DWELLINGS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 7279, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ACT OF 1992'"

By Representative Lacson
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 4131, entitled:
"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF E-LIBRARIES IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Lacson
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4132, entitled:
"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A RELIABLE INTERNET SPEED CONNECTION IN THE PHILIPPINES, INSTITUTIONALIZING MINIMUM SPEED REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLIANCE OF ALL INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Lacson
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4133, entitled:
"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DR. EMILIO B. ESPINOZA SR. − MASBATE STATE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLAVERIA, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, TO BE KNOWN AS 'DEBESMSU-CLAVERIA CAMPUS', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Bravo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4134, entitled:
"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT AND COMPENSATION FOR EDUCATORS IN BASIC EDUCATION"

By Representative Espino
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 4135, entitled:
"AN ACT TO PROMOTE RURAL HEALTH BY PROVIDING FOR AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM FOR THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN EVERY BARANGAY IN THE COUNTRY WITHIN THREE YEARS"
By Representative Espino
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4136, entitled:
“AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN, MODERNIZE AND PROFESSIONALIZE THE AGRICULTURAL SERVICES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”
By Representatives Romero and Pineda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4137, entitled:
“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10912, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016”
By Representatives Romero and Pineda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4138, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SOUTHERN PALAWAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE SOUTHERN PALAWAN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE AUTHORITY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Abueg-Zaldivar
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 4139, entitled:
“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE NURSE DEPLOYMENT PROJECT (NDP) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) TO BE ASSIGNED IN LOCALLY-FUNDED HOSPITAL IN EVERY MUNICIPALITY, CITY AND PROVINCE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Ty
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4140, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF THE CONDITIONAL MATCHING GRANT TO PROVINCES (CMGP) FOR LOCAL ROAD AND BRIDGE REPAIR, REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT”
By Representative Chatto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4141, entitled:
“AN ACT ALLOWING AND REGULATING THE USE OF MOTORCYCLES AS PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Chatto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4142, entitled:
“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE CONGRESSMAN NATALIO P. CASTILLO, SR. MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (CNCMH) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL, FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6781, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Chatto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4143, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LOON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”
By Representative Chatto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4144, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A THIRTY (30)-BED DISTRICT SATELLITE
HOSPITAL OF THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER IN BARANGAY PINILI, MUNICIPALITY OF ABULUG, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN VALLEY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER – ABULUG EXTENSION SATELLITE HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”  
By Representative Vargas Alfonso  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4145, entitled:  
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CITIZEN SERVICE PROGRAM IN ALL PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, AND SIMILAR LEARNING INSTITUTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9163 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”  
By Representative Barba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4146, entitled:  
“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ACCESS OF MINORS TO ALCOHOL AND PENALIZING ESTABLISHMENTS THAT PROVIDE ALCOHOL TO MINORS”  
By Representative Barba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4147, entitled:  
“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF BAYBAY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (I) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”  
By Representative Cari  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4148, entitled:  
“AN ACT REORGANIZING THE FOREIGN SERVICE CORPS OF THE PHILIPPINES”  
By Representative Hofer  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 4149, entitled:  
“AN ACT UPGRADING THE MINIMUM SALARY GRADE LEVEL OF TEACHERS FROM SALARY GRADE 11 TO SALARY GRADE 20, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”  
By Representative Haresco  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 4150, entitled:  
By Representative Haresco  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4151, entitled:  
“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH TWENTY-FIVE (25)-BED CAPACITY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL IN BORACAY ISLAND, MALAY, PROVINCE OF AKLAN, TO BE KNOWN AS THE BORACAY EMERGENCY HOSPITAL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”  
By Representative Haresco  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4152, entitled:  
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NBI) DISTRICT OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MALAY, AKLAN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”  
By Representative Haresco  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4153, entitled:  
“AN ACT APPROPRIATING ONE HUNDRED MILLION PESOS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW AND
STATE-OF-THE-ART HALL OF JUSTICE IN THE SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF Aklan, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Haresco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4154, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) NEW COURTS, NAMELY: ONE (1) FAMILY COURT AND TWO (2) BRANCHES OF REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, ALL IN THE SECOND (2ND) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF Aklan, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSANG BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980,’ AS AMENDED, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Haresco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4155, entitled:
“AN ACT MANDATING ALL MALE STUDENTS IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES AND SIMILAR LEARNING INSTITUTIONS TO COMPLETE THE RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS COMPONENT OF THE NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM AS REQUISITE FOR GRADUATION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9163, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM ACT OF 2001,’ AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Haresco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4156, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING AN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS IN DISTRESS, BOTH DOCUMENTED AND UNDOCUMENTED, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representative Haresco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 4158, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING SAFE HAVEN FOR ABANDONED NEWBORN INFANTS”
By Representatives Romualdez (Yedda) and Romualdez (Ferdinand)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4159, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representatives Romualdez (Yedda) and Romualdez (Ferdinand)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON PEOPLE’S PARTICIPATION

House Bill No. 4160, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING STRONGER PROTECTION TO CHILDREN BY INCREASING THE AGE FOR DETERMINING STATUTORY RAPE AND OTHER ACTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, ALSO KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8353, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-RAPE LAW OF 1997 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7610, ALSO KNOWN AS THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AGAINST ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND DISCRIMINATORY ACT”
By Representatives Romualdez (Yedda) and Romualdez (Ferdinand)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4161, entitled:
“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHILIPPINE COAST GUARD ACADEMY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
By Representatives Romualdez (Yedda) and Romualdez (Ferdinand)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 258, entitled:
“A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES ON THE
DEMISE OF FORMER DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES SECRETARY, REGINA PAZ ‘GINA’ L. LOPEZ”

By Representative Nieto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 259, entitled:
“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED MASS MIGRATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHERS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS ON ACCOUNT OF HIGHER COMPENSATION WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING LEGISLATIVE MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE SAME”

By Representative Vergara
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated 31 July 2019 of Cecilia C. Borromeo, President and CEO, Land Bank of the Philippines, submitting to the House of Representatives their report on the Utilization of Funds for the Unconditional Cash Transfer Program (2nd qtr-CY 2019).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

Letter dated August 6, 2019 of Atty. Glen A. Pangapalan, General Manager, Philippine Fisheries Development Authority, Department of Agriculture, submitting to the House of Representatives the following reports as of June 30, 2019:
1. BAR No. 1 - Quarterly Physical Report of Operation;
2. FAR No. 1 - Statement of Appropriations, Allotments, Obligations, Disbursements and Balances (SAAODB);
3. Revised FAR No. 1 as of March 31, 2019;
4. FAR No. 4 - Monthly Report of Disbursements, June 2019; and
5. Statement of Allotments, Obligations, Utilization and Balances.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

Letters dated August 22, 2019 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies each of the following Republic Acts which were signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte:

1. R.A. No. 11373, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 31 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE WHOLE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, IN COMMEMORATION OF THE FIRST MASS HELD IN LIMASAWA ISLAND, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'FIRST MASS DAY' ”;

2. R.A. No. 11374, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 5 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'PANGASINAN DAY' ”;

3. R.A. No. 11375, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 3 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CABANATUAN, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY”;

4. R.A. No. 11376, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING MAY 3 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. CRUZ, PROVINCE OF MARINDUQUE, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'STA. CRUZ DAY' ”;

5. R.A. No. 11377, entitled: “AN ACT DECLARING JULY 23 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF BATANGAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'BATANGAS CITY FOUNDATION DAY' ”;
6. R.A. No. 11378, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 16 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF BAYBAY, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, TO BE KNOWN AS ‘BAYBAY CITY CHARTER DAY’”;

7. R.A. No. 11379, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 1 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF DAVAO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS ‘ARAW NG DABAW’, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACTS NUMBERED 7551 AND 7685”;

8. R.A. No. 11380, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 9 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MINA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, IN COMMENORATION OF ITS FOUNDING DAY”;

9. R.A. No. 11381, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF MOUNTAIN PROVINCE TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PARACEILS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 PARAGRAPH (A) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

10. R.A. No. 11382, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FIRST JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ASINGAN, PROVINCE OF PANASINGAN, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (A) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

11. R.A. No. 11383, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF STO. TOMAS AND AGONCILLO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

12. R.A. No. 11384, entitled:

13. R.A. No. 11385, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BONGBONG AND FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BANSUD, BULALACAO, GLORIA, AND MANSALAY, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(E) AND SECTION 30 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS ‘THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980’, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR’;
14. R.A. No. 11386, entitled:
**“An Act Creating Four (4) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Ninth Judicial Region to Be Stationed at Zamboanga City and Appropriating Funds Therefor, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (J) of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, Otherwise Known as ‘The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980’, As Amended”**

15. R.A. No. 11387, entitled:
**“An Act Creating Four (4) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Fourth Judicial Region to Be Stationed in San Pablo City, Province of Laguna, and Appropriating Funds Therefor, Amending for the Purpose Section 14(E) of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, Otherwise Known as ‘The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980’, As Amended”**

16. R.A. No. 11388, entitled:
**“An Act Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court and One (1) Additional Branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Fourth Judicial Region, to Be Stationed in the City of Santa Rosa, Province of Laguna, and Appropriating Funds Therefor, Amending for the Purpose Section 14(E) and Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, Otherwise Known as ‘The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980’, As Amended”**

17. R.A. No. 11389, entitled:
**“An Act Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities for Biñan City in the Fourth Judicial Region, and Appropriating Funds Therefor, Amending for**

18. R.A. No. 11390, entitled:
**“An Act Increasing the Bed Capacity of the Batangas Medical Center in Batangas City, Province of Batangas, From Five Hundred (500) Beds to One Thousand (1000) Beds, Upgrading Its Service Facilities and Professional Health Care Services, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”**

19. R.A. No. 11391, entitled:
**“An Act Increasing the Bed Capacity of the Cotabato Regional and Medical Center in Cotabato City, From Four Hundred (400) Beds to Six Hundred (600) Beds, Upgrading Its Service Facilities and Professional Health Care Services, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”**

20. R.A. No. 11392, entitled:
**“An Act Establishing a Framework for the Selection of National Performing Arts Companies, Designating for the Purpose Certain Performing Arts Genres and Appropriating Funds Therefor”**

21. R.A. No. 11393, entitled:
**“An Act Authorizing Higher Education Curriculum Development and Graduate Training in Advanced Energy and Green Building Technologies, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”**

22. R.A. No. 11394, entitled:
**“An Act Mandating Public and Private Educational Institutions to Provide Neutral Desks to Students”**
23. R.A. No. 11395, entitled:
“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA FROM THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO CONSTITUTE THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA”;

24. R.A. No. 11396, entitled:
“AN ACT REQUIRING STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCs) TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT A LAND USE DEVELOPMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN THAT SHALL INCLUDE THE CONSTRUCTION OF DORMITORIES FOR STUDENTS AND HOUSING SITES FOR EMPLOYEES”;

25. R.A. No. 11397, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES TRAINING, DEVELOPMENT, AND PRODUCT CENTER IN THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

26. R.A. No. 11398, entitled:
“AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF THE FISHERIES PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE A PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF FISHERIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

27. R.A. No. 11399, entitled:
“AN ACT CONVERTING THE CAMARINES NORTE STATE COLLEGE (CNSC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DAET, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMARINES NORTE (UCN), AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

28. R.A. No. 11400, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FISHERIES RESEARCH CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ABULUG, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

29. R.A. No. 11401, entitled:
“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FRESHWATER MULTISPECIES HATCHERY AND RESEARCH CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALO-I, PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

30. R.A. No. 11402, entitled:
“AN ACT SEPARATING THE SITIO OF ASCOMO FROM BARANGAY PULUNGMALE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUAGUA, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA AND CONSTITUTING IT INTO A DISTINCT AND INDEPENDENT BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY ASCOMO”;

31. R.A. No. 11403, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY 201, ZONE 20 IN THE CITY OF PASAY, METROPOLITAN MANILA”;

32. R.A. No. 11404, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LIMAY, PROVINCE OF BATAN TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY ST. FRANCIS II”;

33. R.A. No. 11405, entitled:
“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN THE CITY OF DASMARIÑAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY SAMPALOC V (NEW ERA)”;

34. R.A. No. 11406, entitled:
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35. R.A. No. 11407, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING THE CANDON CITY ECOTOURISM ZONE LOCATED IN BARANGAY PALACAPAC, BARANGAY SAN ANDRES, BARANGAY CUBCUBUOT AND BARANGAY AMGUID IN THE CITY OF CANDON, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

36. R.A. No. 11408, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING SANTIAGO COVE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTIAGO, PROVINCE
OF ILOCOS SUR A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”; and

37. R.A. No. 11409, entitled:
“AN ACT DECLARING PINosal FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”.

TO THE ARCHIVES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 4), re H.B. No. 304, entitled:
recommending its approval with amendment, in consolidation with House Bills Numbered 1907, 2086, 2399, 2553, 2558 and 3359
Sponsor: Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Economic Affairs (Committee Report No. 5), re H.B. No. 78, entitled:
“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEFINITION OF PUBLIC UTILITY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 146, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PUBLIC SERVICE ACT’, AS AMENDED”
recommending its approval without amendment in consolidation with House Bills Numbered 301, 346, 403, 540, 1781 and 4167
Sponsor: Representative Garin (Sharon)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

PRIVILEGE HOUR

The day being a Monday, on motion of Rep. Michael Edgar Y. Aglipay, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Aglipay, the Chair recognized Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr. to deliver his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE GARBIN

Representative Garbin questioned the integrity of the current justice system, citing the recent release of convicts, including those jailed for rape and murder, under Republic Act No. 10592 or the Good Conduct Time Allowance Law, and the capricious granting of bail on the pretense of lack of strong evidence. While the media had been focused on the release of convicted murderer-rapist Antonio Sanchez, the alleged mastermind to the murder of the late Congressman Rodel Batocabe and his bodyguard, former Mayor Aldwin Baldo was allowed to post bail despite the strong evidence against him.

He thereafter stated that Ako Bicol Party-List will always fight to secure justice for the death of Congressman Batocabe and all those who were killed while serving the country.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE GARBIN

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

Thereafter, the Chair recognized Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat for her privilege speech upon motion of Representative Aglipay.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE CULLAMAT

Representative Cullamat talked about every child’s right to education, noting the Philippines agreement to the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. Despite the said agreement, she noted that a high number of children remain out-of-school, including the Lumads.

Representative Cullamat then belied the allegation that some Lumad schools and nongovernment
organizations in Mindanao were teaching students to take up arms against the military and were being used as training grounds of the New People’s Army, respectively. She called the recent closure of these schools by the Department of Education as anti-student, arbitrary, baseless, and illegal. She cited statistics on the harassment, killing, and forced surrender of teachers, students, and parents and filing of trumped-up charges against them; and the destruction of school infrastructure and the evacuees thereof. She stressed that the closure of their schools benefited big companies and weakened the struggle of Lumads for autonomy and the protection of their ancestral domain.

Representative Cullamat subsequently asked for a congressional investigation on the matter as well as the lifting of martial law in Mindanao and the resumption of peace talks between the government and the National Democratic Front.

**REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CULLAMAT**

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

**TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR**

Upon Representative Aglipay’s motion, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

**ROLL CALL**

On motion of Representative Aglipay, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

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With 242 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan, 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 title of the following Resolution which was referred to the appropriate committee indicated hereunder:

RESOLUTION

House Resolution No. 279, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE PHILIPPINE CINEMA IN CELEBRATION OF ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDING MEANINGFUL, EDUCATIONAL, AMUSING AND ENTERTAINING WORKS OF ART WHICH REMAIN TO BE THE HALLMARKS OF THE LOCAL FILM INDUSTRY”

By Representative Fernandez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On subsequent motion of Representative Singson-Meehan, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157 contained in Committee Report No. 2 as submitted by the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations.

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

Representative Singson-Meehan stated that the Bill was in the period of sponsorship and debate; and on her motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Sharon S. Garin, vice chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, and Rep. France L. Castro for sponsorship and interpellation, respectively.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)

Representatives Garin (S.) and Castro discussed the basis of the President’s power to hasten the implementation period of the reduction of corporate income tax (CIT), with the former pointing out that taxation is within the power of the legislature.

Focusing on the issue of job loss, Representative Castro asked about the source and the adequacy of the Structural Adjustment Fund which would be earmarked for possible job losses. She also expressed concern that the proposed Corporate Income Tax and Incentives Rationalization Act or CITIRA would only favor large corporations and might not lead to its expected positive results, as with the Rice Tariffication Act and the Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion or TRAIN Law.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On motion of Rep. Josephine Veronique R. Lacson-Noel, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Representative Lacson-Noel acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing.

RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On motion of Representative Lacson-Noel, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE GAITE

Recognized by the Chair upon motion of Rep. Juan Pablo “Rimpy” P. Bondoc, Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaite sought clarification on the following objectives of the CITIRA: (1) encourage investments by reducing corporate income tax; (2) ensure that fiscal incentives would help bring about greater benefits to the economy; (3) ensure fairness and transparency in the grant of fiscal incentives; and (4) enhance accountability of taxpayers through more efficient tax administration.

Representative Gaite then proceeded to ask about the potentials of the Bill in terms of addressing abuse of tax incentives by simplification and rationalization; encouraging investments in the country; and creating jobs.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Escudero relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Conrado M. Estrella III.

The Members likewise discussed issues regarding the layoff of millions of workers as estimated by labor associations and the application of rationalized incentives.

After he and the Sponsor talked about the TRAIN Law’s effect on inflation, Representative Gaite expressed apprehension over a Department of Finance (DOF) official’s statement in a committee hearing that the actual corporate income tax was 13% and not 30%. He said that the CITIRA will not redound to the interest of the people and the labor sector.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE QUIMBO

On motion of Rep. Lianda B. Bolilia, the Chair next recognized Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo who discussed with the Sponsor the renewal of incentives under the strategic investments priority plan (SIPP) through the Fiscal Incentives Review Board (FIRB) and the clarification of the same in the instant measure. The two Members also discussed other forms of incentives that companies can avail of so that they do not have to relocate to countries which offer higher incentives.
Representative Quimbo’s succeeding questions looked into FIRB’s power in managing tax incentives, establishment of checks-and-balances, and monthly reporting to Congress. She also pointed out that the cost-benefit analysis on tax incentives, which should be done by the National Economic and Development Authority under the Tax Incentives Management and Transparency Act should be used in determining the scope of the Bill. Likewise she asked about the impact of lowering CIT in the compliance of firms and revenue collections.

Representative Quimbo mentioned about employment effects which the DOF failed to take into account, and the underestimation of investment effects of lowered CIT, the inclusion of export orientation as a criteria in the SIPP, and the “one-subject-one-bill” principle under the 1987 Constitution, for further consideration in proposing for amendments.

In closing, Representative Quimbo proposed to the Committee to take into consideration in the period of amendments the various studies she cited, and consider at the appropriate time the individual amendments she intends to submit; and for the DOF to refine its estimates.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Estrella relinquished the Chair to Senior Deputy Majority Leader Jesus Crispin C. Remulla.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 7:42 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body suspended consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157 contained in Committee Report No. 2 as reported out by the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, entitled:


At this juncture, Representative Remulla relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Estrella.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE RODRIGUEZ

Representative Rodriguez discussed the performance of the Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) in terms of total investments, domestic imports, commodity exports, direct and indirect employment, and tax remittances that had greatly contributed to the country’s economy. Considering PEZA’s significant economic share, Representative Rodriguez asked the Sponsor why there was a need to introduce a new incentive regime, to which the latter explained that the CITIRA intends to ensure that economic benefits from PEZA outweigh the costs for keeping them and to optimize the performance of economic zones. He pointed out that the Bill could discourage PEZA companies to increase investments in the future thereby losing employment opportunities and tax revenues.
The Members then continued to discuss the factors that would attract investments and the effects of the new taxation system on investors. Despite the five-year transition to the new incentive regime, Representative Rodriguez stressed the rule of prospectivity in taxation vis-à-vis the retroactive nature of taxation under CITIRA; and reminded the Sponsor of the rule of law and due process as well as the impairment of contract clause under the Bill of Rights.

Representative Salceda thereafter argued in support of the Congress’ power of taxation and the State’s regulatory functions. He added that the Bill’s sunset clauses on the renewal of incentives do not violate the non-impairment clause; and that incentives were not rights or entitlements but privileges given by the State.

Subsequently, Representative Rodriguez elaborated on the Bill’s proposed amendments to several laws in relation to the “one-subject-one-bill” principle of the 1987 Constitution. He said that he would move to delete the provisions on the FIRB, stating that expanding the FIRB’s powers should be covered by separate legislation. The two Members then exchanged views on the duties and powers of the Secretary of Finance in relation to his role as FIRB chair and as co-chairman to investment promotion agencies.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE RODRIGUEZ

At this point, Representative Rodriguez said that he still has several questions on the Bill and requested that he be allowed to continue with his interpellation the next day so that they can both be prepared.

With the permission of the Chair, Representative Bondoc noted the manifestation of Representative Rodriguez.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157.

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS OF HOUSE BILLS NO. 304 AND 4157

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Body approved to include as additional coauthors of House Bills No. 304 and 4157 the names of Members contained in the list to be submitted by the Committee on Rules, after due verification of their requests for inclusion as coauthors thereof.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Bondoc, the Chair recognized Rep. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVE ADVINCULA TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BASES CONVERSION

On behalf of the Minority, on motion of Representative Belmonte, there being no objection, the Body elected Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula to the Special Committee on Bases Conversion.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Bondoc, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until five o’clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, September 3, 2019.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES
Secretary General

Approved on September 3, 2019.
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