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House Resolution No. 179



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Introduced by the Honorable Precious Hipolito Castelo

**A RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION TO EXPLORE THE TEACHING OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE AS ALTERNATIVE ACADEMIC AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS FOR OUT-OF- SCHOOL YOUTH**

WHEREAS, it is a declared State policy to recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and to promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being;

WHEREAS, in a recent report of Technical and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), translators are now in demand here and abroad and that numerous jobs, such as translators, interpreters and call center agents, are available for graduates of foreign language and culture;

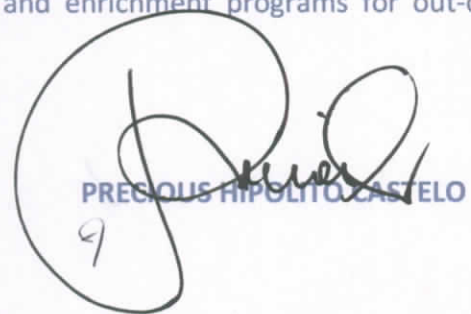
WHEREAS, the TESDA Secretary was quoted as saying, "foreign language translation is fast emerging to be the next hot job";

WHEREAS, the ability to speak another language is an advantage in the global market and the Filipino youth will meaningfully be empowered to equip them with the necessary language skills;

WHEREAS, studies have shown that Filipinos possess a unique aptitude for language acquisition and this ability can be put to a lot of good use;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to direct the Committees on Basic Education and Culture and Higher and Technical Education to explore the teaching of foreign language and culture as alternative academic and enrichment programs for out-of-school youth.

ADOPTED,

  
PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO  
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