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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 194

Introduced by Hon. JULIETTE T. UY

**A RESOLUTION
URGING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE -EXECUTIVE
DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (LEDAC), NATIONAL AGENCIES, LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT
TO CONVENE IN A GOVERNMENT AUDITING REFORM SUMMIT THIS YEAR 2019
FOR THE PURPOSE OF CRAFTING A DRAFT BILL TO REFORM, UPDATE, AND
FUTURE-PROOF THE CONDUCT OF STATE AUDIT IN THE PHILIPPINES**

WHEREAS, the State Audit Code of the Philippines, also known as the Government Auditing Code of the Philippines, became law as Presidential Decree 1445 in 1978 and established the basic design, architecture, policies, and processes that govern the operations and functions of the Commission on Audit;

WHEREAS, P.D. 1445 was later amended by the Administrative Code of 1987, which came in the form of Executive Order 292 issued by then President Corazon C. Aquino who also possessed legislative powers at that time;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Constitution affirmed the status of the Commission on Audit as an independent Constitutional Commission;

WHEREAS, in the forty-one (41) years since P.D. 1445 took effect and 32 years from the time E.O. 292 became law, there have been profound and widespread changes in the conduct of government auditing worldwide and in the fields of operations management, management science, organizational development, and business practices which have bearing on how government agencies and other institutions are designed and operate;

WHEREAS, the fields of accounting, auditing, finance, communication, and information technologies have continually changed how government agencies and other institutions are built and function;

WHEREAS, changes and innovations since 1978 have also transformed and upgraded the standards and expectations of the citizenry as regards the quality, efficiency, effectiveness, integrity, and swiftness of public services rendered by national and local governments;


WHEREAS, the modernization of government auditing throughout the country needs cross-sectional and multi-sectoral inputs and deliberation involving national government agencies, local government units, government-owned or controlled corporations, civil society institutions, and international observers;

WHEREAS, COA audit reports have uncovered many, deep, widespread, and continuing anomalies in the use of public funds and in derivation of benefits from public services and grants of privileges, including the anomalies at the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office that led to the present-day closure of PCSO gaming operations;

NOW, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:

The House of Representatives urge the Joint Executive-Legislative Development Advisory Council (LEDAC), national government agencies, local government units, and the Commission on Audit to convene within this Year 2019 a Government Auditing Reform Summit consisting of multiple, multi-sectoral, in-depth sessions, supported by intensive technical and research analyses, for the purpose of crafting a draft comprehensive bill to reform, update, and future-proof the conduct of State Audit in the Philippines.

ADOPTED.


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