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House Resolution No. 575



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**Introduced by the Honorable Precious Hipolito Castelo**

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**A RESOLUTION**

**URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INSTITUTE MEASURES AND POLICIES IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THE WANING QUALITY OF EDUCATION IN THE COUNTRY AS REPORTED IN THE 2018 PROGRAMME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ASSESSMENT (PISA)**

WHEREAS, Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA) is a worldwide study by the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), which examines the students' knowledge in reading, mathematics and science;

WHEREAS, OECD expressed that "results from PISA indicate the quality and equity of learning outcomes attained around the world, and allow educators and policymakers to learn from the policies and practices applied in other countries";

WHEREAS, in the said study, the OECD tested around 600,000 15-year old students in seventy-nine (79) countries;

WHEREAS, the Philippines is ranked the lowest in reading comprehension, and second lowest in science and mathematics among the countries surveyed;

WHEREAS, the results showed that one (1) in four (4) students is unable to complete even the most basic reading tasks;

WHEREAS, the study suggested that interventions should be made to the students, especially the disadvantaged ones, of the countries such as the Philippines, where relationship between a student's socio-economic status and school performance is strong;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives to urge the Department of Education to institute measures and policies in order to address the waning quality of education in the country as reported in the 2018 Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA).

*ADOPTED,*

  
**PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO**  
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