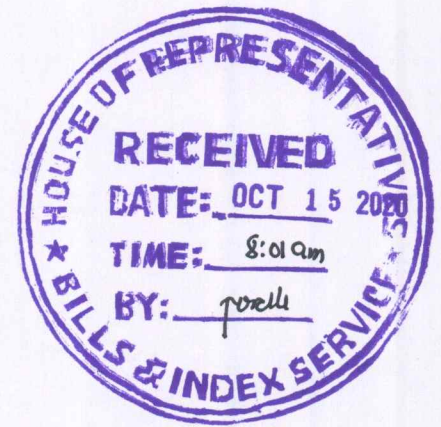


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**A RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE TO  
CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE  
PROLIFERATION OF ERRONEOUS STUDENTS' LEARNING MATERIALS  
FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

**WHEREAS**, the Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines declares it a policy of the State to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels;

**WHEREAS**, the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and promotes and protects their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being;

**WHEREAS**, due to the challenging situation brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Education (DepEd) has recommended and implemented distance and blended learning education with the use of students' self-learning modules (SLMs) to continue the delivery of quality and accessible education to Filipino students beginning on October 5, 2020;

**WHEREAS**, for the first week of public school classes, the DepEd has received thirty-four (34) screenshots of errors in modules as reported by Usec. Diosdado San Antonio, Undersecretary for Curriculum and Instruction<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, according to Usec. San Antonio, of the 34 reported errors, one (1) was produced by the DepEd Central office, eighteen (18) were from

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<sup>1</sup> Inquirer.Net. 2020. "Errors found in DepEd learning modules, TV lesson"  
<https://newsinfo.inquirer.net/1346930/errors-found-in-modules-tv>

modules developed by the regional and division offices, while fifteen (15) were from undetermined sources, possibly from private schools<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, on October 12, 2020, the Department of Education officially launched the “DepEd Error Watch”, an initiative that would receive, collate, and validate reports of errors found in its learning materials, DepEd television episodes, and online platform DepEd commons;

**WHEREAS**, the DepEd is responsible for maintaining the quality of education in terms of reviewing the content and language of learning materials, including SLMs;

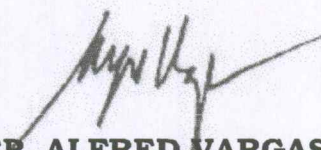
**WHEREAS**, the proliferation of such erroneous learning materials undermine the quality education and welfare of Filipino students and must be investigated at addressed immediately;

**WHEREAS**, we support the Department of Education in its continuous efforts to make learning resources in schools undergo quality assurance and maintain the quality of education for all;

**WHEREAS**, it is within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Basic Education and Culture to investigate all matters directly and principally relating to pre-school, elementary, and secondary education, as well as teachers’ and students’ welfare;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**, that the Committee on Basic Education and Culture be directed to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, into the proliferation of erroneous students’ learning materials from the Department of Education.

**Adopted,**

  
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<sup>2</sup> Ibid.