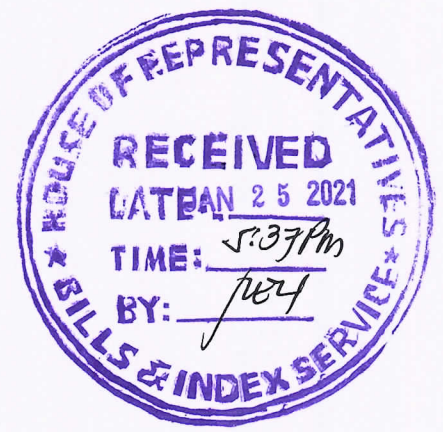


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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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Introduced by **Rep. EVELINA G. ESCUDERO**

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**A RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON BASIC AND HIGHER EDUCATION, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEES, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON TUITION, MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FEES AND RATES BEING CHARGED BY SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN A BLENDED OR NON-FACE-TO-FACE SYSTEM OF LEARNING.**

WHEREAS, the Corona Virus Disease of 2019 (COVID-19) global pandemic<sup>1</sup> has not only has threatened the health of the world population, but has also paralyzed or limited the entire educational system;

WHEREAS, the declaration placing the entire country under a State of Public Health Emergency<sup>2</sup> and a State of Calamity<sup>3</sup> remains, and prevailing community quarantine restrictions have been imposed and implemented which restricts citizens' movement, travel and access to education;

WHEREAS, despite the said quarantine restrictions, schools, colleges, universities and other institutions of learning have commenced and continued with the enrolment of its students under a system of blended learning wherein classes are conducted online, or where teaching modules are given to students which should be accomplished at home;

WHEREAS, that there is an urgent need for data and information in order to determine that the tuition, miscellaneous and other fees are being properly charged to students under the blended learning or non-face-to-face system of learning, including but not limited to resources of the learning or academic institution which are not being used; and

WHEREAS, the lack of data or information, and the absence of legislative actions to regulate this matter may cause adverse effects to students and parents.

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<sup>1</sup> The World Health Organization (WHO) declared COVID-19 as a pandemic.

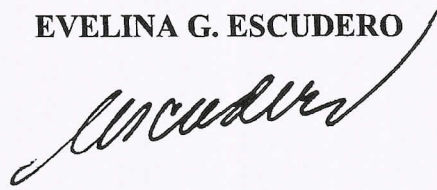
<sup>2</sup> Proclamation No. 922, s. of 2020 dated 8 March 2020.

<sup>3</sup> Proclamation No. 929, s. of 2020 dated 16 March 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Committees on Basic and Higher Education, and other appropriate Committees of the House of Representatives, conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on tuition, miscellaneous and other fees and rates being charged by schools, colleges and universities in a blended or non-face-to-face system of learning, with the end in view of legislative measures to address the same.

*Adopted.*

**EVELINA G. ESCUDERO**

A handwritten signature in black ink, written in a cursive style, that reads "Escudero". The signature is positioned below the printed name and extends to the right with a long, sweeping flourish.