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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Conrado M. Estrella III called the session to order.

PRAYER AND NATIONAL ANTHEM

Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla led the invocation and thereafter, the Members sang the National Anthem.

DEFERMENT OF ROLL CALL

On motion of Rep. Lianda B. Bolilia, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 36

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Bolilia, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 36 dated January 28, 2020.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Bolilia, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, including the Communications, and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate committees or consigned to the Archives as indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 6051, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOLO PARENTS’ WELFARE ACT OF 2000, PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL BENEFITS AND PENAL PROVISION FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ACT”

By Representative Villafuerte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 6052, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ABS-CBN CORPORATION (FORMERLY ABS-CBN BROADCASTING CORPORATION) UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7966 OR ‘AN ACT GRANTING THE ABS-CBN BROADCASTING CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELEVISION AND RADIO BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES’ FOR TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaité, Cullamat, Castro (France) and Elago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 6053, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 26 EVERY YEAR AS SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN CELEBRATION OF PHILIPPINES-ISRAEL FRIENDSHIP DAY”

By Representatives Villanueva (Eduardo) and Rivera
TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 6054, entitled:

“AN ACT RE-NATIONALIZING THE BONDOC PENINSULA DISTRICT HOSPITAL LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CATANAUAN, PROVINCE OF QUEZON, PLACING UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Suarez (Aleta)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6055, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR CITIZENS IN GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ENTITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE

SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432,
AS AMENDED”

By Representative Suarez (Aleta)
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 6056, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING BARANGAY QUICK
RESPONSE UNITS IN EVERY BARANGAY
THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT
7160 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Zubiri
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6057, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF
THE REGISTER OF DEEDS IN THE CITY
OF PASSI, PROVINCE OF ILOILO AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Biron
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6058, entitled:

“AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE TAXES
IMPOSED ON NON-LIFE INSURANCE
POLICIES, AMENDING FOR THIS
PURPOSE SECTIONS 108, 123, 184, AND
185 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL
REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Nograles (Jericho)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 6059, entitled:

“AN ACT PRESCRIBING AN ACTIVE
MONITORING AND URGENT RESPONSE
MECHANISM BY THE GOVERNMENT
TO PREVENT THE KILLING, RAPE AND
OTHER ABUSES COMMITTED AGAINST
OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS AND
PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Ong (Ronnie)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS
AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 6060, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PANTAWID
PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM”

By Representatives De Jesus, Guya, Dagooc and
Ebcas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

House Bill No. 6061, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL
BRANCHES OF REGIONAL TRIAL
COURTS IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL

REGION, TWO (2) OF WHICH SHALL BE
ESTABLISHED AS FAMILY COURTS, ONE
(1) AS A COMMERCIAL COURT AND ONE
(1) AS A CYBERCRIME COURT TO BE
STATIONED AT THE 2ND LEGISLATIVE
DISTRICT OF CAVITE, CITY OF
BACOR, IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS
PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY
REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS
AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Revilla
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6062, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)
TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER
IN THE CITY OF MAASIN, PROVINCE
OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, TO BE KNOWN
AS THE MAASIN CITY TESDA TRAINING
AND ASSESSMENT CENTER, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6063, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FISH PORT
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAINT
BERNARD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN
LEYTE”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND
FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 6064, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FISH PORT IN
BARANGAY ICHON, MUNICIPALITY OF
MACROHON, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN
LEYTE”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND
FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 6065, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE CONSTRUCTION
OF PANAON ISLAND CIRCUMFERENTIAL
ROAD IN SOUTHERN LEYTE”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND
HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6066, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE SATELLITE OFFICE OF THE MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY LOCATED IN MAASIN CITY, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE INTO AN EXTENSION OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 3:10 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 3:13 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Marissa Andaya acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Speaker Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano, Representatives Deloso-Montalla and Edgar R. Erice, and Deputy Speaker Eduardo “Bro. Eddie” C. Villanueva.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

(Continuation)

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 6071, entitled:

“AN ACT REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11198 ENTITLED, 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE INTO TWO (2) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS' ”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6072, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH) IN THE SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6073, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FOR DETERMINING STATUTORY RAPE AND OTHER ACTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION TO PROTECT CHILDREN AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, ALSO KNOWN AS THE

House Bill No. 6067, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED IN THE CITY OF MAASIN AND IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SOGOD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14(1) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6068, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT FOR THE CITY OF MAASIN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6069, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING THE SOUTHERN LEYTE PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL INTO THE EASTERN VISAYAS REGIONAL HOSPITAL”

By Representative Mercado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6070, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE A TOURISM

REVISED PENAL CODE, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7610, ALSO KNOWN AS THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AGAINST ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND DISCRIMINATION ACT”

By Representative Lim

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS AND THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 6074, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING EVACUATION CENTERS IN EVERY PROVINCE, CITY AND MUNICIPALITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 6075, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING SOHOTON CAVES AND NATURAL BRIDGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASEY, PROVINCE OF SAMAR AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Tan (Sharee)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 6076, entitled:

“AN ACT IMPOSING A NATIONWIDE BAN ON THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS TO ELIMINATE PLASTIC POLLUTION IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 6077, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OF MEMBERS OF THE CITIZEN ARMED FORCES OR THE RESERVE FORCE OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Tupas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6079, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING THE OBLIGATIONS AND LIABILITIES OF OWNERS/OPERATORS/MANAGERS OF CAR-PARKS OF MALLS, OFFICE/COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS, OPEN PARKING SPACES, AND OTHER SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS, AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES”

By Representative Taduran

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 6080, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF FINANCIAL LITERACY AS A SEPARATE SUBJECT IN THE CURRICULUM OF ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, TERTIARY, AND TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Garin (Janette)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 6081, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY COUNCIL, PROVIDING ITS POWERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6082, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE ISLAND OF MINDORO A MINING-FREE ZONE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Ramirez-Sato

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 6083, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 17 OF EVERY YEAR AS A LOCAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. BARBARA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO IN COMMEMORATION OF THE CRY OF STA. BARBARA”

By Representative Gorriceta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6084, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 8TH OF EVERY YEAR AS A LOCAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PAVIA IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS DECLARATION AS AN INDEPENDENT MUNICIPALITY”

By Representative Gorriceta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 6085, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION, SALE, AND USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTIC PRODUCTS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 6086, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE DEFENSE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 6089, entitled:

“AN ACT ALLOWING AND REGULATING THE USE OF MOTORCYCLES AS PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4136, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LAND TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC CODE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Bagatsing
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 6090, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO JUVENAL SANZO”

By Representative Zamora (Ronaldo)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 6092, entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY BILLION PESOS FOR THE AID, RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION, LIVELIHOOD, AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE TAAL VOLCANO ERUPTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 6093, entitled:

“AN ACT BANNING THE MANUFACTURE, IMPORTATION, SALE, DISTRIBUTION AND USE OF REEF-TOXIC SUNSCREENS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6094, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF FACIAL RECOGNITION TECHNOLOGY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 6096, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE CENTER FOR DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL, PROVIDING MECHANISMS FOR EPIDEMIC CONTROL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 6097, entitled:

“AN ACT RENUMBERING THE CEBU FIRST, SECOND, AND FOURTH DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES TO CONFORM AND CORRESPOND, RESPECTIVELY, WITH THE NUMBERING OF THE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU”

By Representatives Salimbangon, Garcia (Pablo John), Caminero, Frasco, Ouano-Dizon, Radaza and Calderon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 6098, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING ANY FORM OF DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF ETHNICITY, RACE, RELIGION, SEX, GENDER, ORIENTATION, LANGUAGE, DISABILITY, EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, ECONOMIC STATUS, HEALTH, AND OTHER STANDARDS, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Hernandez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

House Bill No. 6099, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF BODY WORN CAMERAS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING LEGITIMACY OF OPERATIONS AND INCREASING THE LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY OF BOTH THE POLICE AND THE PUBLIC”

By Representative Hernandez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 6100, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 31 AS ANNUAL NATIONAL SAVINGS AND FINANCIAL LITERACY DAY”

By Representative Malapitan
TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 663, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, TO STRONGLY CONDEMN AND INVESTIGATE THE ILLEGAL AND FORCIBLE ENTRY OF PARAMILITARY GROUP ALAMARA INTO THE LUMAD EVACUATION CENTER AND SANCTUARY AT THE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST IN THE PHILIPPINES (UCCP) – HARAN CENTER IN DAVAO CITY”

By Representatives Cullamat, Zarate, Gaite, Castro (France) and Elago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 664, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE TO INQUIRE IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATUTORILY MANDATED INTEGRATION OF CLIMATE CHANGE IN THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION CURRICULA”

By Representative Escudero
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 665, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY, TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON ALLEGED ABUSES OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE DURING THE CONDUCT OF TRASLACION 2020”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaite and Cullamat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 666, entitled:

“RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA R. DUTERTE

TO IMMEDIATELY RELEASE OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS, INCLUDING THE ELDERLY, THOSE WITH ILLNESSES, THE WOMEN, AND THOSE IMPRISONED FOR MORE THAN (10) YEARS, FOR JUST AND HUMANITARIAN REASONS, AND, THE RELEASE OF DETAINED CONSULTANTS OF THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FRONT OF THE PHILIPPINES (NDFP) IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE JOINT AGREEMENT ON SAFETY AND IMMUNITY GUARANTEES (JASIG) SIGNED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES (GRP) AND THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC FRONT OF THE PHILIPPINES (NDFP) AS A GOODWILL MEASURE IN THE RESUMPTION OF PEACE NEGOTIATIONS”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaite, Cullamat, Castro (France), Brosas and Elago
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND UNITY

House Resolution No. 667, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY, TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ISSUE OF GRAFT AND CORRUPTION IN THE MANIPULATION OF THE PHOTO RELEASED BY THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES TO MEDIA OUTLETS AND THE ALLEGED FAKE REBEL SURRENDEREES”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaite, Cullamat, Castro (France), Brosas and Elago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 668, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT TO IMMEDIATELY RELEASE APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE AID, RELIEF, REHABILITATION AND RESETTLEMENT OF FAMILIES AND INDIVIDUALS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE ERUPTION OF THE TAAL VOLCANO”

By Representative Geron
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Resolution No. 669, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION SEEKING TO IMPOSE AN IMMEDIATE TRAVEL MORATORIUM ON FLIGHTS FROM CHINA TO PANGLAO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT IN PANGLAO, BOHOL DUE TO CORONAVIRUS, UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE”

By Representative Aumentado
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated 13 December 2019 of Benjamin E. Diokno, Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), submitting to the House of Representatives the Report on Philippine External Debt as of 30 September 2019.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Letter of Alfonso G. Cusi, Secretary, Department of Energy (DOE), providing the House of Representatives with a copy of the Mindanao Energy Plan (MEP) 2018-2040 and the Energy Annual Report 2018 that were both posted at the DOE website (www.doe.gov.ph).
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated 2 January 2020 of Benjamin E. Diokno, Governor and Chairman of the Financial Stability Coordination Council (FSCC), Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), submitting to the House of Representatives a soft copy of an audio-visual presentation (AVP) entitled “Understanding Financial Stability” together with a printed copy of the Financial Stability Report (FSR) for 2018H1-2019H1.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated 7 January 2020 of Maria Catalina E. Cabral, Ph.D., CESO I, Undersecretary for Planning and Public-Private Partnership (PPP), Office of the Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), submitting to the House of Representatives the Project Briefers as of December 25, 2019, including the List of Priority Projects of PPP of the DPWH and Toll Regulatory Board (TRB), for implementation, ongoing, and completed by the DPWH.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

Letter dated January 8, 2020 of Niño Raymond B. Alvina, Executive Director, Bureau of Local Government Finance, submitting to the House of Representatives the Bureau’s

preliminary Quarterly Statement of Receipts and Expenditures (SREs) of Local Government Units (LGUs) covering the period Q1 to Q4 of FY 2018 and Q1 to Q3 of FY 2019.
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Email dated January 9, 2020 of Jessica G. Unson, Supervising Agriculturist, Special Projects Coordination Unit, Provincial Governor’s Office, Province of Agusan del Sur, submitting the following Report of Operations for the quarter ending December 31, 2019, on the Local Government Support Fund – Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) for Road Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement, attested by Santiago B. Cane, Jr., Provincial Governor:

1. Quarterly Physical Report for 2018 and 2019 Projects; and
2. Quarterly Financial Report for 2017, 2018 and 2019 Projects.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated January 13, 2020 of Maria Gleda E. Lim, State Auditor V, Supervising Auditor, Audit Groups CGS I and II-Water Districts and Other CGS Stand Alone Agencies, Regional Office No. VI, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives the Annual Audit Reports on the following Water Districts:

1. Ibajay Water District, Poblacion, Ibajay, Aklan (CY 2016-2018); and
2. Metro Kalibo Water District, Andagao, Kalibo, Aklan (CY 2018).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated January 14, 2020 of Victor J. Yu, Provincial Governor, Province of Zamboanga del Sur, forwarding the Report on Fund Utilization and Status of Program/Project Implementation for the Quarter Ended October to December 2019 (4th Quarter) on the Local Government Support Fund to Local Government Units, to wit:

1. Social Services Program;
2. Conditional Matching Grant Program;
3. Bottom-Up Budgeting (BUB) Projects; and
4. Kalsada Projects.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated January 16, 2020 of Orlando T. Lavista, State Auditor IV/Audit Team Leader, Team No. 1, NGS A for SUCs and Other Stand-Alone Agencies, Regional Office No. IX, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives a copy of the Annual Audit Report on the JH

Cerilles State College-System, Mati, San Miguel, Zamboanga del Sur for the year ended December 31, 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated January 16, 2020 of Delfin N. Lorenzana, Secretary, Department of National Defense, submitting the Department's report on the implementation of Martial Law in Mindanao covering the month of November 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

Letter dated 17 January 2020 of Emmanuel G. Herbosa, President and Chief Executive Officer, Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP), notifying the House of Representatives that the following required Quarterly Budget and Financial Accountability Reports (BFARs) for the quarter ended December 31, 2019, have been posted in the DBP Website under the Transparency and Disclosures:

1. FAR No. 1 – Statement of Appropriations, Allotments, Obligations and Disbursements and Balances; and
2. FAR No. 1-A – Summary of Appropriations, Allotments Obligations, Disbursements and Balances by Object Expenditures.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 17 January 2020 of Acmad Rizaldy P. Moti, Chief Executive Officer, Home Development Mutual Fund, submitting to the House of Representatives a copy of the Pag-IBIG Fund 2018 Annual Report.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

National Tax Research Center (NTRC) Tax Research Journal, Volume XXXI.2, March - April 2019 and Volume XXXI.3, May-June 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

2018 Annual Report of the Social Security System.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

Letter dated January 23, 2020 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting herewith two (2) original copies of Republic Act No. 11468, which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, entitled:

“AN ACT DESIGNATING THE THIRD SUNDAY OF NOVEMBER EVERY

YEAR AS THE NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR ROAD CRASH VICTIMS, SURVIVORS, AND THEIR FAMILIES”

TO THE ARCHIVES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Public Order and Safety (Committee Report No. 209), re H.B. No. 6123, entitled:

“AN ACT DEFINING THE OFFENSES OF DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS AND INDISCRIMINATE FIRING OF FIREARMS AND PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 254 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'REVISED PENAL CODE', AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 607

Sponsors: Representatives Bravo and Acop

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Banks and Financial Intermediaries (Committee Report No. 210), re H.B. No. 6134, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING BANKING INSTITUTIONS TO STRENGTHEN THE FINANCING SYSTEM FOR AGRICULTURAL, FISHERIES AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5681

Sponsors: Representatives Cua, Tiangco, Padiernos, Singson, Paduano, Lusotan, Garbin and Oaminal

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 211), re H.B. No. 6135, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FISCAL REGIME FOR THE MINING INDUSTRY”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 288, 560, 1687, 2557, 4541, 4874, 5022 and 5253

Sponsors: Representatives Salceda, Ungab, Suansing (Estrellita) and Garin (Sharon)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 212), re H.B. No. 6136, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, ENTITLED 'AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,' AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11239”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 1294, 3006, 3616, 4223 and 4695

Sponsors: Representatives Salceda and Ungab
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Trade and Industry (Committee Report No. 213), re H.B. No. 6137, entitled:

“AN ACT ENCOURAGING CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, PROVIDING INCENTIVES THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 1198, 1225 and 3853

Sponsors: Representatives Gatchalian, Macapagal Arroyo, Pineda and Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Welfare of Children (Committee Report No. 214), re H.B. No. 6139, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND ENHANCING THE ROLE OF PARENT-TEACHER AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS IN PROMOTING THE WELFARE AND PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF CHILDREN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 603, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE CHILD AND YOUTH WELFARE CODE' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1587

Sponsors: Representatives Romualdez (Yedda) and Romualdez (Ferdinand)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 215), re H.B. No. 6144, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER (CVMC) IN TUGUEGARAO CITY, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN, FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) TO ONE THOUSAND

(1,000) BEDS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 716

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (Angelina), Lara and Ungab

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ROLL CALL

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Bolilia, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

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| Abante | Cabatbat |
| Abaya | Cabochan |
| Abu | Cabredo |
| Acop | Cagas |
| Acosta | Calderon |
| Acosta-Alba | Calixto |
| Adiong | Caminero |
| Advincula | Campos |
| Agabas | Cari |
| Agarao | Castelo |
| Aglipay | Castro (F.L.) |
| Aguinaldo | Castro (F.H.) |
| Albano | Cayetano (A.P.) |
| Almario | Cayetano (M.L.) |
| Alvarez (F.) | Celeste |
| Alvarez (G.) | Chatto |
| Andaya | Chipeco |
| Angara | Chungalao |
| Aragones | Co (E.) |
| Arbison | Cojuangco |
| Arenas | Crisologo |
| Arroyo | Cua |
| Atienza | Cuaresma |
| Babasa | Cullamat |
| Balindong | Dagooc |
| Baños-Nogralles | Dalipe |
| Barba | Dalog |
| Baronda | Datol |
| Belmonte | De Jesus |
| Benitez | de Venecia |
| Billones | Defensor (L.) |
| Biron | Del Mar |
| Bolilia | Delos Santos |
| Bondoc | Deloso-Montalla |
| Bordado | Dimaporo (A.) |
| Bravo | Dujali |
| Brosas | Duterte |
| Bulut | Dy (F.) |
| Bustos | Dy (F.M.C.) |

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| Dy (I.P.) | Loyola | Silverio | Umali (M.V.) |
| Ebcas | Lusotan | Singson | Unabia |
| Ecleo | Macapagal Arroyo | Singson-Meehan | Ungab |
| Elago | Madrona | Suansing (E.) | Uy (R.) |
| Erice | Mariano-Hernandez | Suansing (H.) | Valeriano |
| Eriguel | Mariño | Suarez (A.) | Valmayor |
| Escudero | Mendoza | Suarez (D.) | Vargas |
| Espina | Mercado | Suntay | Velasco |
| Estrella | Momo | Taduran | Veloso |
| Fariñas (R.C.) | Natividad-Nagaño | Tallado | Villa |
| Fariñas I (R.C.) | Nava | Tambunting | Villanueva (E.) |
| Fernandez | Noel | Tan (A.) | Villanueva (N.) |
| Fernando | Nogralles (J.J.) | Tan (S.A.) | Villar |
| Ferrer (L.) | Nolasco | Tejada | Villarica |
| Flores | Oaminal | Teves (J.) | Violago |
| Fortun | Ong (J.) | Tiangco | Yap (E.) |
| Fortuno | Ong (R.) | Tolentino | Yap (V.) |
| Frasco | Ortega | Torres-Gomez | Yu |
| Fuentebella | Ouano-Dizon | Tulfo | Zamora (R.) |
| Gaite | Pacquiao (A.) | Tupas | Zarate |
| Garbin | Pacquiao (R.) | Tutor | Zubiri |
| Garcia (J.E.) | Paduano | Umali (A.) | |
| Garcia (P.J.) | Palma | | |
| Garin (J.) | Pancho | | |
| Garin (S.) | Panotes | | |
| Gasataya | Peña | | |
| Gatchalian | Pichay | | |
| Gato | Pimentel | | |
| Geron | Pineda | | |
| Go (E.C.) | Puno | | |
| Go (M.) | Quimbo | | |
| Gonzales (N.) | Radaza | | |
| Gonzalez | Ramirez-Sato | | |
| Gorriceta | Ramos | | |
| Guico | Remulla | | |
| Guya | Revilla | | |
| Hataman | Reyes | | |
| Hernandez | Rivera | | |
| Herrera-Dy | Rodriguez | | |
| Hofer | Romualdez (F.M.) | | |
| Jalosjos | Romualdez (Y.M.) | | |
| Jimenez | Romualdo | | |
| Kho (E.) | Sacdalan | | |
| Labadlabad | Sagarbarria | | |
| Lacson | Sakaluran | | |
| Lacson-Noel | Salimbangon | | |
| Lagman | Salo | | |
| Lagon | Sanchez | | |
| Lara | Santos-Recto | | |
| Leachon | Sarmiento | | |
| Legarda | Saulog | | |
| Lim | Savellano | | |
| Lopez | Siao | | |

With 227 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

PRIVILEGE HOUR

The day being a Monday, on successive motions of Representative Andaya, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter recognized Deputy Speaker Villanueva (E.) for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF DEPUTY SPEAKER VILLANUEVA (E.)

Deputy Speaker Villanueva initially acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of foreign missionaries and religious groups; and in commemoration of the National Bible Day the previous week, spoke on the origins, content, and purpose of the Holy Bible.

He explained the importance of using the Bible, and its relevance to Filipinos and to all nations especially in the midst of conflicts, natural calamities, and spread of infectious diseases. He urged everybody to submit themselves to God's authority, cling to His promises, obey His words, and implore the aid of the Almighty God as enshrined in the very preamble of the Constitution.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Estrella relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Prospero A. Pichay Jr.

As the deputy speaker for good governance and moral uprightness, Deputy Speaker Villanueva enjoined the Body to think about how it can address the country's current problems such as the increasing rate of teenage pregnancies, rape, and incest cases; corruption; and the government's war against drugs. He reminded everyone to always uphold the virtue of righteousness.

He then acknowledged the Philippine National Police's (PNP) achievements in its anti-drug war but decried the killings and deaths resulting therefrom. He asked Congress to do something about the scalawags in the PNP who were going against the President's uncompromising adherence to due process and the rule of law, as he cited Bible verses about murder and justice.

Subsequently, Representative Villanueva offered copies of the Bible to his colleagues and thanked them for passing on Second Reading the bill that he had filed on the institutionalization of values education.

On motion of Representative Andaya, the Chair recognized Rep. Francisco G. Datol Jr. for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE DATOL

Representative Datol, speaking on behalf of the 10 million senior citizens of the country, asked about the importance of the Bible in the wake of the Taal Volcano eruption and the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) crisis; and Deputy Speaker Villanueva (E.) read verses from the Holy Book about blessings that will come upon obedience to God's commands.

Representative Datol ended his interpellation by thanking Representative Villanueva for his explanation about the importance of maintaining a relationship with God in order to have eternal life. The former said that he would share the message he received this day to his constituency.

On motion of Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos, the Chair recognized Rep. Edcel C. Lagman for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN

Representative Lagman's interpellation centered on the following reasons why the Bible is considered the most important book in the world by Daniel Buttafuoco of the Historical Bible Society: 1) its power to transform the world; 2) the willingness of people to die for it; 3) its accuracy; 4) its life-changing message of freedom; and 5) it connects a person to Jesus of Nazareth. Deputy Speaker Villanueva elucidated each reason by citing verses and mentioning historical and contemporary events.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Pichay relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Roberto V. Puno.

EXTENSION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Body extended the Privilege Hour for another one hour.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

On motion of Representative Delos Santos, the Chair recognized Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. who initially thanked Deputy Speaker Villanueva (E.) for giving him a Bible and discussed with him the opinion of some political leaders on how the Bible and the Christian faith cause sufferings to the people.

Deputy Speaker Villanueva said that the statement was contrary to the truth, and explained how fear of God leads to wisdom, and as such, the Body should not pass measures that would let the poor suffer because God is a god of justice.

The Members next discussed corruption---its origin and how it adds to miseries and injustices in a nation; as well as greed among the rich and oligarchs. Representative Atienza thereafter touched on the issue of water which is considered a God-given resource and why people have to pay for it.

He then emphasized his agreement with Deputy Speaker Villanueva that corruption is the greatest evil besetting the Philippines at present. He added that one has to pray and read the Bible so that God can guide them in making the right decisions.

As a rejoinder, Deputy Speaker Villanueva cited God's tenth commandment that one should not covet his neighbor's goods as this is a direct assault against God. In this regard, he added that the proliferation of casinos in the Philippines should be stopped.

The Chair then recognized Minority Leader Bienvenido M. Abante Jr. for his interpellation, upon motion of Representative Delos Santos.

INTERPELLATION OF MINORITY LEADER ABANTE

Saying that he also delivered a privilege speech just recently about the Bible, Minority Leader Abante said that the Bible should be the nation's standard with regard to moral and spiritual issues. Deputy Speaker Villanueva (E.) relayed that at present, the American government is trying to restore the saying of prayers in schools, colleges, and universities which was previously banned in said institutions.

The Members also exchanged views about the Bible being the book of love and God's manifestation of love through the death on the cross of Jesus Christ; the infallibility and divine authority of the Bible which should be discerned spiritually; and the recent calamities and epidemic as signs of the coming of Jesus Christ.

To further queries of Minority Leader Abante, Deputy Speaker Villanueva stated that God wants His people to prosper but through legitimate means; explained about the truth and freedom that is shared through the Bible; and clarified that he felt it was his duty not only to God but also to his fellowmen to share and understand the Bible and its teachings.

Deputy Speaker Villanueva relayed that his prayer was for his colleagues to experience the sweetest words of Jesus Christ on judgment day and understand the importance of the Bible in nation building.

EXTENSION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

On successive motions of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Body extended the Privilege Hour for another hour, and thereafter, the Chair recognized Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE RODRIGUEZ

Representative Rodriguez initially commended Deputy Speaker Villanueva (E.) for his privilege speech and for giving all Members a copy of the Holy Bible. Asking about the absence of the phrase, "So help me God," in the Constitution of the United States of America, he then discussed with the latter the principle of the separation of Church and State.

Representative Rodriguez observed that in the Philippines, the president and the Supreme Court chief justice would hold the Bible during their oath-taking and inquired if Members of Congress should do the same whenever they take their oath. He also asked Deputy Speaker Villanueva if he could convince the House Speaker that as a procedure, Members would hold a Bible during oath-taking. Deputy Speaker Villanueva thanked his colleague for his suggestion, and then further expounded on the separation of Church and State.

In closing, Representative Rodriguez congratulated Deputy Speaker Villanueva for reminding them of the importance of the Bible and that they should always find time to read it to be able to discern what is always right.

REFERRAL OF SPEECH OF DEPUTY SPEAKER VILLANUEVA (E.)

On motion of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Body referred Deputy Speaker Villanueva's speech and interpellations thereon to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, the Chair recognized Representative Erice for his privilege speech upon motion of Representative Delos Santos.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ERICE

Representative Erice brought to the attention of the Body the plight of the residents of Pangarap Village in North Caloocan City due to a looming demolition. He stated that the Pangarap Village residents were subjected to alleged harassments, threats, coercion, and inhumane treatment, such as dismantling of their fences and commercial establishments, cutting off of water and electricity supply, and deployment of armed men in the

premises by personnel of Carmel Development Inc. (CDI) which claimed to be the rightful owner of the disputed land.

Representative Erice asked why the CDI was harassing the residents of Pangarap Village and demolishing their homes, and did not seem to want to go through the legal process of claiming ownership. He asked Congress to address the plight of said residents and the Committees on Justice, and Human Rights to investigate the matter

Upon Rep. Kristine Singson-Meehan's motion, the Chair thereafter recognized Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ZARATE

Representative Zarate affirmed the situation in Pangarap Village and sought clarification on the land's complicated history of ownership, including the issuance of Presidential Decree No. 293 by President Ferdinand E. Marcos, declaring the same as a resettlement area and the Supreme Court decision declaring the decree as unconstitutional. He discussed with Representative Erice the seeming lack of information thereon among concerned government agencies; the need for CDI to file the pertinent cases in court because it could not just harass or evict the residents; and Congress' obligation to address the struggle of said residents for a permanent solution to the controversy and to conduct a proper investigation in aid of legislation.

Representative Zarate stressed the capacity of the government to act on the dispute and suggested the possibility of looking into expropriation as an immediate solution to the housing problem; expressed admiration to the residents for their unity in fighting for their rights; and supported the call for an investigation on the matter.

Representative Zarate ended his interpellation by saying that he hoped for a long-term solution to the problem so that residents could finally settle peacefully in their community.

On motion of Representative Singson-Meehan, the Chair recognized Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago for her manifestation.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

Representative Elago rose to express support to the proposal for an investigation on the ongoing

harassment and inhumane treatment of Pangarap Village residents and to settle the land ownership dispute therein. She called on her colleagues to ensure that the residents would retain the ownership of their shelter so that the children and the youth in the community would not be inheriting the problem besetting their parents.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Puno relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Johnny Ty Pimentel.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ERICE

On motion of Representative Singson-Meehan, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Erice's privilege speech and the interpellation thereon to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DAGOOC

Upon recognition by the Chair, Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc spoke, on behalf of the power bloc, on the need to amend the Electric Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA) of 2001, in light of issues faced by the power sector in recent years.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Pimentel relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Puno.

Citing the lack of power plants to supply the increasing demand for electricity, as well as the upcoming bidding of another power plant in Luzon, Representative Dagooc predicted that the current situation in the power industry would trigger electricity price hikes and rotating brownouts.

Representative Dagooc stressed that distribution facilities such as electric cooperatives were not responsible for the price hikes; and urged the Members to prioritize investigation on the factors contributing to the problem, review the existing market rules so that consumers will not be burdened by market inefficiencies, and look into the possible amendments on the EPIRA.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DAGOOC

On motion of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Dagooc to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

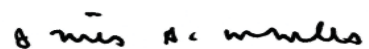
On motion of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Delos Santos, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, February 4, 2020.

It was 7:29 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES
Secretary General

Approved on February 5, 2020.

Congress of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE

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| ABANTE | BORDADO | ** DUTERTE |
| ABAYA | BRAVO | DY (F.) |
| **** ABELLANOSA | BROSAS | DY (F.M.C.) |
| ABU | BULUT | DY (I.P.) |
| **** ABUEG-ZALDIVAR | BUSTOS | EBCAS |
| *** ABUNDA | CABATBAT | ECLEO |
| ACOP | CABOCHAN | ELAGO |
| ACOSTA | CABREDO | **** ENVERGA |
| ** ACOSTA-ALBA | ** CAGAS | ERICE |
| ADIONG | CALDERON | ERIGUEL |
| ** ADVINCULA | CALIXTO | **** ERMITA-BUHAIN |
| AGABAS | CAMINERO | ESCUDERO |
| AGARAO | CAMPOS | ESPINA |
| AGLIPAY | *** CANAMA | *** ESPINO |
| AGUINALDO | *** CAOAGDAN | ESTRELLA |
| ALBANO | CARI | FARIÑAS (R.C.) |
| ** ALMARIO | CASTELO | FARIÑAS I (R.C.) |
| **** ALONTE | CASTRO (F.L.) | FERNANDEZ |
| ALVAREZ (F.) | CASTRO (F.H.) | FERNANDO |
| ** ALVAREZ (G.) | CAYETANO (A.P.) | * FERRER (J.M.) |
| **** ALVAREZ (P.) | CAYETANO (M.L.) | ** FERRER (L.) |
| **** AMANTE-MATBA | CELESTE | FLORES |
| *** AMATONG | CHATTO | FORTUN |
| ANDAYA | ** CHIPECO | FORTUNO |
| ANGARA | CHUNGALAO | FRASCO |
| ARAGONES | *** CO (A.N.) | FUENTEBELLA |
| ARBISON | CO (E.) | GAITE |
| ARENAS | ** COJUANGCO | GARBIN |
| ARROYO | **** COLLANTES | GARCIA (J.E.) |
| ATIENZA | CRISOLOGO | GARCIA (P.J.) |
| *** AUMENTADO | CUA | * GARCIA (V.) |
| BABASA | CUARESMA | GARIN (J.) |
| **** BAGATSING | *** CUEVA | GARIN (S.) |
| BALINDONG | CULLAMAT | GASATAYA |
| BAÑAS-NOGRALES | DAGOOC | GATCHALIAN |
| BARBA | DALIPE | GATO |
| **** BARBERS | DALOG | GERON |
| BARONDA | DATOL | GO (E.C.) |
| * BARZAGA | * DAZA | GO (M.) |
| **** BASCUG | DE JESUS | *** GONZAGA |
| *** BAUTISTA | DE VENECIA | * GONZALES (A.) |
| *** BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN | DEFENSOR (L.) | GONZALES (N.) |
| BELMONTE | * DEFENSOR (M.) | GONZALEZ |
| BENITEZ | DEL MAR | GORRICETA |
| **** BERNOS | DELOS SANTOS | GUICO |
| **** BIAZON | DELOSO-MONTALLA | *** GULLAS |
| BILLONES | DIMAPORO (A.) | GUYA |
| BIRON | *** DIMAPORO (M.K.) | * HARESCO |
| BOLILIA | **** DUAVIT | HATAMAN |
| BONDOC | DUJALI | HERNANDEZ |

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| HERRERA-DY | OUANO-DIZON | SUAREZ (D.) |
| HOFER | PACQUIAO (A.) | SUNTAY |
| JALOSJOS | PACQUIAO (R.) | *** SY-ALVARADO |
| *** JAVIER | **** PADIERNOS | TADURAN |
| JIMENEZ | PADUANO | TALLADO |
| KHO (E.) | PALMA | ** TAMBUNTING |
| *** KHO (W.) | ** PANCHO | * TAN (A.S.) |
| **** KHONGHUN | PANOTES | TAN (A.) |
| LABADLABAD | PEÑA | **** TAN (SAMIER) |
| ** LACSON | PICHAY | TAN (S.A.) |
| LACSON-NOEL | PIMENTEL | **** TAN (SHERNEE) |
| LAGMAN | ** PINEDA | TEJADA |
| LAGON | **** PLAZA | **** TEVES (A.) |
| LARA | PUNO | TEVES (J.) |
| *** LAZATIN | QUIMBO | TIANGCO |
| LEACHON | RADAZA | TOLENTINO |
| ** LEGARDA | RAMIREZ-SATO | TORRES-GOMEZ |
| LIM | RAMOS | TULFO |
| *** LIMKAICHONG | REMULLA | TUPAS |
| LOPEZ | REVILLA | TUTOR |
| LOYOLA | REYES | **** TY (A.) |
| LUSOTAN | ** RIVERA | *** TY (D.) |
| ** MACAPAGAL ARROYO | * ROBES | UMALI (A.) |
| * MACEDA | RODRIGUEZ | UMALI (M.V.) |
| MADRONA | **** ROMAN | UNABIA |
| **** MALAPITAN | **** ROMERO | UNGAB |
| **** MANGAOANG | ROMUALDEZ (F.M.) | * UY (J.) |
| **** MANGUDADATU | ** ROMUALDEZ (Y.M.) | UY (R.) |
| * MARCOLETA | ROMUALDO | VALERIANO |
| MARIANO-HERNANDEZ | **** ROMULO | VALMAYOR |
| MARIÑO | **** ROQUE | VARGAS |
| * MARQUEZ | SACDALAN | *** VARGAS ALFONSO |
| * MARTINEZ | SAGARBARRIA | VELASCO |
| **** MATBA | SAKALURAN | VELOSO |
| *** MATUGAS | **** SALCEDA | * VERGARA |
| ** MENDOZA | SALIMBANGON | VILLA |
| MERCADO | SALO | **** VILLAFUERTE |
| MOMO | SANCHEZ | VILLANUEVA (E.) |
| NATIVIDAD-NAGAÑO | **** SANGCOPAN | VILLANUEVA (N.) |
| NAVA | SANTOS-RECTO | VILLAR |
| * NIETO | SARMIENTO | **** VILLARAZA-SUAREZ |
| NOEL | ** SAULOG | VILLARICA |
| NOGRALES (J.J.) | SAVELLANO | VIOLAGO |
| **** NOGRALES (J.F.F.) | SIAO | YAP (E.) |
| NOLASCO | SILVERIO | YAP (V.) |
| *** NUÑEZ-MALANYAON | SINGSON | YU |
| OAMINAL | SINGSON-MEEHAN | ** ZAMORA (R.) |
| * OLIVAREZ | *** SINSUAT | *** ZAMORA (W.K.) |
| ONG (J.) | SUANSING (E.) | ZARATE |
| ONG (R.) | SUANSING (H.) | ZUBIRI |
| ORTEGA | SUAREZ (A.) | |

* Appeared after the Roll Call

** Section 71, Rule XI of the Rules of the House

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