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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 785



Introduced by: Rep. Sonny L. Lagon

**A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE STATUS OF THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELECTRICITY IN ILOILO CITY TO ENSURE THAT POWER DISTRIBUTION WILL NOT CEASE AND THAT THE PEOPLE OF ILOILO CITY WILL NOT BE AFFECTED.**

**WHEREAS**, on 14 February 2019, More Power and Electric Corporation was granted a Congressional Franchise to distribute electricity in Iloilo City through Republic Act No. 11212.

**WHEREAS**, Panay Electric Company previously held a Congressional Franchise to distribute electricity in Iloilo City, which had expired on 18 January 2018, and has not been renewed.

**WHEREAS**, More Power had recently obtained a Writ of Possession to take over certain assets of PECO and that PECO has resisted More Power's take over.

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the House of Representatives to look into this to ensure that the supply of electricity in Iloilo City will not be affected and that the people of Iloilo City shall not suffer because of the legal battle between the two distribution utilities.

**WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, for the House Committee on Energy to immediately conduct an investigation in aid of legislation on the above-mentioned issues and circumstances in order to ensure that the people of Iloilo City shall not suffer and that electricity shall continue to be distributed to them despite the legal battle between Panay Electric Company and More Power and Electric Corporation, and to come out with the necessary legislation for this purpose.

**ADOPTED.**

  
Rep. Sonny L. Lagon