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**CALL TO ORDER**

At 3:00 p.m. of Monday, January 20, 2020, Deputy Speaker Aurelio “Dong” D. Gonzales Jr. called the session to order.

**PRAYER AND NATIONAL ANTHEM**

The Members observed a minute of silent prayer and thereafter sang the National Anthem.

**DEFERMENT OF ROLL CALL**

On successive motions of Majority Leader Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll.

*At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Gonzales (A.) relinquished the Chair to Speaker Alan Peter “Compañero” S. Cayetano.*

**SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

At 3:02 p.m., on motion of Majority Leader Romualdez (F.M.), the Chair suspended the session.

**RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 3:04 p.m.

Thereupon, Majority Leader Romualdez (F.M.) announced that Speaker Cayetano (A.P.) would address the Body on a very important matter.

**REMARKS OF SPEAKER CAYETANO (A.P.)**

Speaker Cayetano said that the House begins its sessions with faith and hope but also with a lot of sadness and concern for their countrymen in the CALABARZON Region who are suffering from the eruption of Taal Volcano. He committed to give full support to all the House committees and committee chairpersons so that it could continue to be responsive to the people’s needs in the last eight weeks before adjournment.

As he stated that the House had partnered with the Duterte administration to give the people a safe and comfortable life, he thanked all local government units (LGUs), executive agencies, and volunteers who

were the first to solicit and give support to the victims of the eruption. He also thanked President Rodrigo Roa Duterte who, he said, was returning to the ground that afternoon; and all others including the Members, who prayed, gave support, and proposed solutions and programs to address disasters and calamities.

After he expressed his wish that Congress would have gone paperless and have adopted a zero waste system before the end of its sessions in March, the Speaker asked the House not to wait for the victims of past calamities such as typhoons, earthquakes, floods, and fire to remind it to continue the rehabilitation of their areas. He stressed that the Body shall coordinate with the Executive Department as regards relief and evacuation efforts.

At this point, Speaker Cayetano informed the Members of a meeting that afternoon involving several Congressmen led by the Minority Leader and Majority Leader and the Committees on Social Services, Agriculture, and Disaster Management; the assignment of Rep. Lucy Torres-Gomez to consolidate the Chamber’s short-term, long-term, and medium-term efforts for the people of Batangas, Laguna, and Cavite; and his wish to come out with a feasible, strategic, and comprehensive rehabilitation plan and a central person or agency to implement the same. He pointed out that Congress must learn from the government’s mistakes in the rehabilitation of the victims of Typhoon Yolanda and the Mount Pinatubo eruption.

Saying he had consulted the Minority Leader and the Majority Leader, he thereafter asked for the Members’ support for the holding of a plenary session and the House’s constitution into a Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, January 22, 2020, in the Batangas City Convention Center. He said that the center is beside the city’s sports center which is one of the biggest evacuation centers for the Taal victims and that the Committee of the Whole could listen to those directly affected by the tragedy. He added that if the House passes a motion thereon, it will have to get the Senate’s concurrence.

Speaker Cayetano then thanked the Members for their record-breaking attendance and speed and quality of their work in the past year; and expressed

faith that they will be able to face the challenges that lie ahead.

### **MOTION OF MAJORITY LEADER ROMUALDEZ (F.M.)**

Majority Leader Romualdez subsequently moved, in view of the unanimity in spirit and the consensus arrived at by the House leaders in the Speaker's office, that the Body hold its session at one o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, January 22, 2020, at the Batangas City Convention Center. He said that the transportation details will be explained the following day, January 21, 2020.

### **SECONDING MOTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER GONZALES (A.)**

Saying that his constituents experienced the Mount Pinatubo eruption in 1991 and that Pampanga was one of the first provinces to address the call of assistance in Batangas, Deputy Speaker Gonzales seconded Majority Leader Romualdez' motion.

### **SECONDING MOTION OF MINORITY LEADER ABANTE**

Saying that he had consulted the Minority bloc, Minority Leader Bienvenido M. Abante Jr. concurred with the motion.

### **CONDUCT OF PLENARY SESSION ON JANUARY 22, 2020 AT THE BATANGAS CITY CONVENTION CENTER**

There being no objection, the Body approved the motion to hold its session on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at the Batangas City Convention Center.

### **REQUEST OF SPEAKER CAYETANO (A.P.)**

Speaker Cayetano requested the Majority Leader to communicate the approval of said motion to the Senate and get its concurrence in accordance with the constitutional requirements of holding a session in another area aside from where the House regularly hold its sessions.

Majority Leader Romualdez said that he will do so before the end of the day.

Speaker Cayetano also requested the Secretary General and the Sergeant-at-Arms to make the necessary arrangements as he pointed out that

according to his staff who visited the convention center, the place is outside the danger zone and that the area will be secured.

### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

On motion of Majority Leader Romualdez (F.M.), the session was suspended at 3:18 p.m.

### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

At 3:19 p.m., the session was resumed with Deputy Speaker Gonzales (A.) presiding.

### **ROLL CALL**

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Juan Miguel Macapagal Arroyo, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abante	Benitez
Abaya	Bernos
Abu	Biazon
Abueg-Zaldivar	Billones
Abunda	Biron
Acop	Bolilia
Acosta	Bondoc
Acosta-Alba	Bordado
Advincula	Brosas
Agabas	Bustos
Agarao	Cabochan
Aglipay	Cabredo
Albano	Cagas
Almario	Calderon
Alonte	Calixto
Alvarez (F.)	Caminero
Alvarez (G.)	Campos
Amante-Matba	Canama
Amatong	Caoagdan
Andaya	Cari
Angara	Castelo
Aragones	Castro (F.L.)
Arenas	Castro (F.H.)
Atienza	Cayetano (A.P.)
Bagatsing	Cayetano (M.L.)
Balindong	Celeste
Baños-Nogralles	Chatto
Barba	Chipeco
Baronda	Chungalao
Barzaga	Co (A.N.)
Bascug	Cojuangco
Bautista	Collantes
Belmonte	Crisologo

Cua	Guya	Remulla	Tan (A.)
Cueva	Haresco	Revilla	Tejada
Cullamat	Hataman	Reyes	Teves (J.)
Dagooc	Herrera-Dy	Rivera	Tolentino
Dalipe	Hofer	Rodriguez	Torres-Gomez
Dalog	Jalosjos	Romero	Tulfo
Daza	Jimenez	Romualdez (F.M.)	Tupas
De Jesus	Kho (E.)	Romualdez (Y.M.)	Tutor
de Venecia	Kho (W.)	Romualdo	Ty (A.)
Defensor (L.)	Labadlabad	Romulo	Umali (A.)
Defensor (M.)	Lacson	Roque	Umali (M.V.)
Del Mar	Lacson-Noel	Sacdalan	Unabia
Delos Santos	Lagman	Salceda	Ungab
Deloso-Montalla	Lagon	Salimbangon	Uy (R.)
Dimaporo (A.)	Lara	Salo	Valeriano
Dujali	Lazatin	Sanchez	Valmayor
Duterte	Leachon	Sangcopan	Vargas
Dy (F.)	Limkaichong	Santos-Recto	Vargas Alfonso
Ebcas	Lopez	Savellano	Vergara
Elago	Loyola	Silverio	Villa
Erice	Lusotan	Singson-Meehan	Villanueva (N.)
Eriguel	Macapagal Arroyo	Sinsuat	Villar
Ermita-Buhain	Malapitan	Suansing (E.)	Villarica
Escudero	Mangaoang	Suansing (H.)	Violago
Espina	Mariano-Hernandez	Suntay	Yap (E.)
Estrella	Mariño	Taduran	Zamora (R.)
Fariñas (R.C.)	Marquez	Tallado	Zamora (W.K.)
Fariñas I (R.C.)	Martinez	Tambunting	Zarate
Fernandez	Matugas	Tan (A.S.)	Zubiri
Fernando	Mercado		
Ferrer (L.)	Momo		
Flores	Natividad-Nagaño		
Fortun	Noel		
Fortuno	Nogralas (J.J.)		
Frasco	Nolasco		
Fuentebella	Oaminal		
Gaite	Olivarez		
Garbin	Ong (J.)		
Garcia (J.E.)	Ortega		
Garcia (P.J.)	Ouano-Dizon		
Garcia (V.)	Pacquiao (A.)		
Garin (J.)	Pacquiao (R.)		
Gasataya	Paduano		
Gato	Palma		
Geron	Pancho		
Go (E.C.)	Peña		
Go (M.)	Pichay		
Gonzaga	Pimentel		
Gonzales (A.)	Pineda		
Gonzales (N.)	Puno		
Gonzalez	Quimbo		
Gorriceta	Radaza		
Guico	Ramirez-Sato		
Gullas	Ramos		

With 232 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

### APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

On motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 32 dated November 27, December 2, 4, 9 to 11, and 16 to 18, 2019.

### REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On subsequent motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, 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 Messages from the Senate, 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. 5856, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT TRAINING CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAYOYAO, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MAYOYAO TESDA TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Chungalao  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5857, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE DUCLIGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY KINAKIN, MUNICIPALITY OF BANAUE, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO FROM THE DUCLIGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS KINAKIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Chungalao  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5858, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE STA. MARIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION IN BARANGAY POTIA, MUNICIPALITY OF ALFONSO LISTA, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO FROM STA. MARIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS POTIA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Chungalao  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5859, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE HAPID NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY BIMPAL, MUNICIPALITY OF LAMUT, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO FROM THE HAPID NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN

INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BIMPAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Chungalao  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5860, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE LAWIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION IN BARANGAY PANOPDOPAN, MUNICIPALITY OF LAMUT, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO FROM THE LAWIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PANOPDOPAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Chungalao  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5861, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING SUPPORT MECHANISMS AND PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS ON MATTERS OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE FOR CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT”

By Representative Fortuno  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5862, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING BUHI LAKE AND BATO LAKE IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BUHI AND BATO RESPECTIVELY, IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AS ECOTOURISM ZONES”

By Representative Fortuno  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5863, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING A SCHOLARSHIP GRANT FOR EVERY FILIPINO FAMILY”

By Representative Fortuno  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5864, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL



ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM  
AND AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS  
OF RA 10068 OR THE ORGANIC  
AGRICULTURE ACT OF 2010”

By Representative Ramirez-Sato  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 5865, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE REGISTRATION,  
LICENSURE, AND PRACTICE OF  
PHYSICAL THERAPY, PROVIDING  
FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER  
RELATED PURPOSES”

By Representative Tutor  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND  
PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 5866, entitled:

“AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE  
OF BULACAN INTO SEVEN REGULAR  
DISTRICTS”

By Representatives Silverio, Sy-Alvarado, Pancho,  
Villarica and Robes  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5867, entitled:

“AN ACT FURTHER EXPANDING THE  
JURISDICTION OF THE REGIONAL  
TRIAL COURTS, METROPOLITAN  
TRIAL COURTS, MUNICIPAL TRIAL  
COURTS, AND MUNICIPAL CIRCUIT  
TRIAL COURTS, AMENDING FOR THE  
PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129,  
AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN  
AS THE 'JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION  
ACT OF 1980' ”

By Representative Nograles (Jericho)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 5868, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL  
DIVISIONS OF THE COURT OF APPEALS  
IN DAVAO CITY WHICH WILL HANDLE  
CASES COMING FROM THE ELEVENTH  
AND TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGIONS,  
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE  
BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, AS  
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS  
THE 'JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION  
ACT OF 1980', AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Nograles (Jericho)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 5873, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE MANUFACTURE,  
DISTRIBUTION, SALE, IMPORTATION  
AND USE OF ALL ELECTRONIC  
NICOTINE DELIVERY SYSTEMS AND  
HEAT STICKS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Bagatsing  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY  
AND THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 5880, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE  
MANDATORY ESTABLISHMENT  
OF A POPULATION OFFICE IN  
ALL PROVINCES, CITIES AND  
MUNICIPALITIES AMENDING FOR THE  
PURPOSE SECTION 488(A) OF REPUBLIC  
ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS  
'THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF  
1991 AS AMENDED' ”

By Representative Baronda  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5883, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A SHARI'A JUDICIAL  
DISTRICT COMPRISING THE PROVINCE  
OF PALAWAN AND THE CITY OF PUERTO  
PRINCESA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR  
THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 138, 147, AND  
150 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO.  
1083, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE  
'CODE OF MUSLIM PERSONAL LAWS OF  
THE PHILIPPINES,' AS AMENDED, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Abueg-Zaldivar  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 5884, entitled:

“AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COMMUNITY  
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL  
RESOURCES OFFICE (CENRO) OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND  
NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR), HAVING  
JURISDICTION OVER THE PARCEL OF  
LAND SUBJECT OF THE APPLICATION,  
TO ISSUE TREE-CUTTING PERMITS TO  
LANDOWNERS FOR THE CUTTING,  
GATHERING AND UTILIZATION OF  
NATURALLY GROWN TREES IN PRIVATE  
AND/OR TITLED LANDS SUBJECT TO  
THE GUIDELINES OF THE DEPARTMENT  
OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL  
RESOURCES”

By Representative Abueg-Zaldivar  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 5885, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING THE PALAWAN STATE UNIVERSITY – COLLEGE OF COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (PSU-CCRD) EXTERNAL CAMPUSES IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND IN THE CITY OF PUERTO PRINCESA AS REGULAR CAMPUSES OF THE PALAWAN STATE UNIVERSITY (PSU), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7818, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Abueg-Zaldivar  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5886, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PARALEGAL PROFESSION AND CODIFYING THE PARALEGAL PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT GUIDELINES”

By Representative Nograles (Juan)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 5893, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING THE MAGNA CARTA OF BARANGAY ANIMAL HEALTH WORKERS”

By Representative Amante-Matba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5894, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JULY 28 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN CABADBARAN CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'CABADBARAN CITY DAY' ”

By Representative Amante-Matba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5895, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO PLANT AT LEAST ONE TREE AS A PREREQUISITE FOR GRADUATION AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES”

By Representative Amante-Matba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5896, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING UNIVERSAL DESIGN PRINCIPLES, STANDARDS,

SPECIFICATIONS, AND POLICIES FOR THE CREATION OF BARRIER-FREE BUILT ENVIRONMENTS, TRANSPORTATION AND TOURISM FACILITIES TO ENHANCE THE DIGNITY, INDEPENDENCE, MOBILITY, SAFETY, AND CONVENIENCE OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, SENIOR CITIZENS, WOMEN AND CHILDREN, AND OTHER SECTORS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS FOR THEIR FULL INCLUSION, PARTICIPATION, NON-DISCRIMINATION, PROVIDING FOR FUNDING, INCENTIVES AND PENALTIES THEREOF, AND REPEALING BATAS PAMBANSA 344”

By Representatives Chatto and Arroyo  
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 5897, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CURUAN, ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS SAPA MORO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5898, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MANALIPA IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS MANALIPA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5899, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE IMPORTATION, MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF CHILDREN’S PRODUCTS CONTAINING HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 5900, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LAMISAHAN

IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN  
AS LAMISAHAN NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5901, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CALABASA  
IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN  
AS CALABASA NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5902, entitled:

“AN ACT IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES  
FOR CHILD ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND  
DISCRIMINATION, AMENDING FOR THE  
PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7610, AS  
AMENDED”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 5903, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BUENAVISTA  
IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN  
AS BUENAVISTA NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5904, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LIMAONG IN  
ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN  
AS TUMITUS NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5905, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL  
HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY VITALI  
IN ZAMBOANGA CITY, TO BE KNOWN  
AS SINOROPAN NATIONAL HIGH

SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR”

By Representative Dalipe  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5906, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING PROVISIONS OF  
REPUBLIC ACT 10667, OTHERWISE  
KNOWN AS 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR  
A NATIONAL COMPETITION POLICY  
PROHIBITING ANTI-COMPETITIVE  
AGREEMENTS, ABUSE OF DOMINANT  
POSITION AND ANTI-COMPETITIVE  
MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS,  
ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE  
COMPETITION COMMISSION AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

By Representative Quimbo  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 5907, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE NATIONAL  
FEEDING PROGRAM TO  
UNDERNOURISHED CHILDREN IN  
SECONDARY SCHOOLS THEREBY  
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT 11037,  
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE  
'ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A  
NATIONAL FEEDING PROGRAM FOR  
UNDERNOURISHED CHILDREN IN  
PUBLIC DAY CARE, KINDERGARTEN  
AND ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS  
TO COMBAT HUNGER AND  
UNDERNUTRITION AMONG FILIPINO  
CHILDREN AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR' ”

By Representative Quimbo  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE

House Bill No. 5908, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE SOCIAL HOUSING  
DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE  
CORPORATION”

By Representative Quimbo  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT  
ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND  
THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN  
DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 5909, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MANIKLING,  
MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO,  
PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO



BE KNOWN AS MANIKLING NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Almario  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5910, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MARAGATAS, MUNICIPALITY OF LUPON, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS MARAGATAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Almario  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5911, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SANGHAY, CITY OF MATI, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS SANGHAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Almario  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5913, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A BASIC REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR VIRTUAL BANKING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Salceda  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 5914, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND ONE (1) ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF CABUYAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 14, PARAGRAPH (E) AND 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mariano-Hernandez  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 5915, entitled:

“AN ACT STANDARDIZING THE APPROPRIATE CLASS SIZE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Lacson  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5916, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIVE HUNDRED (500)-BED CAPACITY HOSPITAL FOR TEACHERS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF”

By Representative Lacson  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 5917, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE STANDARDIZATION OF CLASSES AND FACILITIES IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS”

By Representative Lacson  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5918, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CITY OF SAN PABLO FROM THE THIRD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO CONSTITUTE THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF SAN PABLO”

By Representative Aragonés  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5922, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FROM INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREATS, THEREBY CREATING A SAFETY AND SECURITY COMMITTEE FOR THIS PURPOSE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Cabochan  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5923, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING THE USE OF URBAN FARMING IN THE COUNTRY'S METROPOLITAN AREAS TO ADDRESS FOOD SECURITY CONCERNS AND

REGENERATE ECOSYSTEM FUNCTIONS,  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,  
AND FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE”

By Representative Cabochan  
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 5924, entitled:

“AN ACT INCORPORATING THE VALUE OF  
RESPONSIBLE, FAIR, AND TRUTHFUL  
USAGE AND ENJOYMENT OF SOCIAL  
MEDIA IN SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES,  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Cabochan  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND  
CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER  
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

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House Resolution No. 628, entitled:

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PRODUCERS, WRITERS, DIRECTORS,  
ACTORS/ACTRESSES OF THE MOVIE  
QUEZON’S GAME FOR GARNERING  
SEVERAL AWARDS OR RECOGNITION AT  
THE CINEMA WORLD FEST AWARDS, THE  
INDIEFEST FILM AWARDS, ACCOLADE  
GLOBAL FILM COMPETITION,  
MARYLAND INTERNATIONAL FILM  
FESTIVAL, WORLDFEST-HOUSTON  
INTERNATIONAL FILM AND VIDEO  
FESTIVAL, RAMGATE INTERNATIONAL  
AND TV FESTIVAL, NEAR NAZARETH  
FESTIVAL (NNF), CINEMA WORLDFEST  
ANNUAL GALA”

By Representative Abante  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Resolution No. 629, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND  
COMMENDING THE YOUNG MAN FROM  
LEVERIZA, MALATE, 5<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT  
OF MANILA, CARLOS EDRIEL YULO  
FOR WINNING 2 GOLD AND 5 SILVER  
MEDALS IN THE MEN’S ARTISTIC  
GYMNASTICS IN THE 30<sup>TH</sup> SOUTHEAST  
ASIAN GAMES”

By Representative Bagatsing  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS  
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 635, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND  
CONGRATULATING SPEAKER ALAN

PETER S. CAYETANO, CHAIRMAN OF  
THE PHILIPPINE SOUTHEAST ASIAN  
GAMES ORGANIZING COMMITTEE  
(PHISGOC), THE HONORABLE  
ABRAHAM N. TOLENTINO, PRESIDENT  
OF THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC  
COMMITTEE, ALL THE ORGANIZERS  
AND VOLUNTEERS, AND OUR FILIPINO  
ATHLETES FOR THE SUCCESSFUL AND  
HISTORIC CONDUCT OF THE RECENTLY  
CONCLUDED 30<sup>TH</sup> SOUTHEAST ASIAN  
GAMES”

By Representatives Singson and Rodriguez  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 636, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE  
OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
TO SUPPORT THE RESUMPTION OF  
THE PEACE TALKS BETWEEN THE  
GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES  
(GRP) AND THE NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC  
FRONT OF THE PHILIPPINES (NDFP)  
BASED ON PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS  
BETWEEN THE TWO PARTIES  
INCLUDING THE HAGUE JOINT  
DECLARATION OF 1992 AND THE STAND-  
DOWN AGREEMENT ON JUNE 2018”

By Representatives Abante, Abellanos, Acop,  
Advincula, Agabas, Aglipay, Albano, Vargas  
Alfonso, Alvarez (Franz), Alvarez (Genaro),  
Aragones, Aumentado, Bagatsing, Barba,  
Baronda, Barzaga, Belmonte, Benitez, Bernos,  
Biron, Bolilia, Bordado, Brosas, Cabatbat,  
Cagas, Calderon, Caminero, Canama,  
Castelo, Castro (France), Cayetano (Maria  
Laarni), Celeste, Chungalao, Crisologo,  
Cuaresma, Cueva, Cullamat, Dagooc,  
Dalog, Datol, Defensor (Lorenz), Defensor  
(Michael), Deloso-Montalla, Duavit, Dy  
(Faustino Michael), Ebcas, Enverga, Eriguel,  
Ermita-Buhain, Escudero, Ferrer (Juliet),  
Flores, Fortun, Fortun, Fuentebella, Gaite,  
Garbin, Gato, Gonzales (Neptali), Guico,  
Guya, Haresco, Hataman, Hofer, Kho (Elisa),  
Labadlabad, Lacson, Lagman, Legarda,  
Limkaichong, Lopez, Loyola, Lusotan,  
Maceda, Mangudadatu, Mariano-Hernandez,  
Mariño, Martinez, Matba, Mendoza, Momo,  
Nogralas (Jericho), Nogralas (Juan), Ong  
(Jose), Ortega, Pacquiao (Alberto), Pacquiao  
(Rogelio), Palma, Pancho, Panotes, Peña,  
Pimentel, Quimbo, Ramirez-Sato, Ramos,  
Rivera, Robes, Rodriguez, Mercado, Romero,  
Romualdo, Roque, Sacdalan, Sagarbarria,

Sakaluran, Salceda, Salo, Sangcopan, Saulog, Savellano, Singson, Singson-Meehan, Suansing (Estrellita), Suarez (Aleta), Suarez (David), Sy-Alvarado, Tallado, Tambunting, Tejada, Tolentino, Torres-Gomez, Tupas, Ty (Allan), Ty (Diego), Umali (Ma. Victoria), Uy (Juliette), Villafuerte, Villanueva (Eduardo), Villanueva (Noel), Zarate and Zubiri  
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND UNITY

House Resolution No. 637, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING CONCHITA MENDOZA OF THE CITY OF CALBAYOG, WESTERN SAMAR ON THE CELEBRATION OF HER ONE HUNDREDTH YEAR AND FOR BEING THE PIONEER TINAPA MANUFACTURER IN THE CITY OF CALBAYOG AND HELPING MAKE CALBAYOG TINAPA A CULINARY STAPLE AND A SOURCE OF PRIDE FOR CALBAYOGNONS”

By Representative Sarmiento  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON VISAYAS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 638, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING HON. JOCELYN SOLIS-REYES OF QUEZON CITY REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, BRANCH 211 AND URGING THE LEGAL COMMUNITY AND FILIPINOS TO CONTINUE TO UPHOLD THE RULE OF LAW”

By Representative Barzaga  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Resolution No. 639, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES TO REPORT OUT WITHOUT FURTHER DELAY FOR PLENARY ACTION A CONSOLIDATED VERSION OF EIGHT (8) PENDING BILLS PROPOSING FOR THE RENEWAL FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS OF THE LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISE OF ABS-CBN CORPORATION”

By Representatives Lagman, Violago, Tambunting, Pimentel, Billones, Belmonte, Castro (France), Zarate, Cullamat, Gaite and Brosas  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Resolution No. 640, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING CARLOS YULO FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL STINT IN THE 2019 SOUTHEAST ASIAN GAMES BAGGING TWO (2) GOLD AND FIVE (5) SILVER MEDALS FOR THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Guico  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 641, entitled:

“HOUSE RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS’ AFFAIRS TO INVESTIGATE THE DEATH OF JEANELYN PADERNAL VILLAVENDE, AN OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKER IN KUWAIT, ALLEGEDLY AT THE HANDS OF HER KUWAITI EMPLOYERS, AND CONDUCT AN INQUIRY INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS’ IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2018 PHILIPPINE-KUWAIT MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT TO SAFEGUARD THE LIFE AND LIMB OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS”

By Representative Mendoza  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 642, entitled:

“HOUSE RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS’ AFFAIRS, COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT, AND THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CONTINGENCY PLAN FOR THE 1.2 MILLION OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND IMPLICATIONS ON THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY OF THE ESCALATING IRAN-USA CONFLICT”

By Representative Mendoza  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

Message dated December 17, 2019, informing the House of Representatives that on even date the Senate designated Senators Ronald “Bato” dela Rosa and Aquilino “Koko” Pimentel III as additional conferees to the Bicameral Conference

Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1074, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 109, 141, 142, 143, 144, 147, 263, 263-A, 265, AND 288-A OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;

and House Bill No. 1026, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 141, 142, 143, 144, 147, 150, 152, 263, 265, AND 288-A, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 290-A TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Message dated December 19, 2019, informing the House of Representatives that on December 18, 2019 the Senate approved the Conference Committee Report of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the disagreeing provisions of Senate Bill No. 1074, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 109, 141, 142, 143, 144, 147, 263, 263-A, 265, AND 288-A OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

and House Bill No. 1026, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 141, 142, 143, 144, 147, 150, 152, 263, 265, AND 288-A, AND ADDING A NEW SECTION 290-A TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997”.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Letter dated 13 November 2019 of Juanito Victor C. Remulla, Governor, Trece Martires City, Province of Cavite, submitting the Quarterly Financial Report of Operations for the Ending of 3rd Quarter 2019 on the Local Government Support Fund – Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) for Road Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 25 November 2019 of Edgardo R. Masongsong, Administrator, National Electrification Administration, providing the House of Representatives with a copy of their Annual Report for Calendar Year 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

Letter dated December 2, 2019 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 September 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

Letter dated 4 December 2019 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 November 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 4 December 2019 of Marilou P. Mendoza, Chairperson, Tariff Commission, providing the House of Representatives a copy of the Commission’s Annual Report for Calendar Year 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Letter dated December 9, 2019 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 a copy of the Annual Audit Report on the Libacao Water District, Poblacion, Libacao, Aklan for the years ended December 31, 2016, 2017 and 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 10 December 2019 of Sec. Adelino B. Sitoy, Presidential Adviser on Legislative Affairs and Head, PLLO, submitting the details on Appropriations, Obligations and Disbursements of the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office (PLLO) for the month ending November 30, 2019, pursuant to Section 101 of Republic Act No. 11260.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS



Letters dated 10 and 11 December 2019 of Janice G. Ayson-Zales, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Circular No. 1064 dated 03 December 2019;
  2. Circular No. 1065 dated 03 December 2019; and
  3. Circular No. 1066 dated 04 December 2019.
- TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated 17 December 2019 of Janice G. Ayson-Zales, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with a duly certified and authenticated copy of BSP Circular Letter No. CL-2019-086 dated 2 December 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated 19 December 2019 of Janice G. Ayson-Zales, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with a duly certified and authenticated copy of BSP Circular No. 1067 dated 13 December 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Quarterly Financial Report of Operations for the Quarter Ending September 30, 2019, Province of Ilocos Norte on the Local Government Support Fund – Conditional Matching Grant to Provinces (CMGP) for Road Repair, Rehabilitation and Improvement.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

2018 Annual Report of the Department of Trade and Industry.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Balitang DAR, The Official Newsletter of the Department of Agrarian Reform – Special Edition.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN REFORM

Letter dated December 20, 2019 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies of Republic Act No. 11464 which

was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE 2019 APPROPRIATIONS TO DECEMBER 31, 2020, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 65 OF THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11260, THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF FISCAL YEAR 2019.”

TO THE ARCHIVES

Letter dated January 6, 2020 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies of Republic Act No. 11465 which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, entitled:

“AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

TO THE ARCHIVES

Letter dated January 8, 2020 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary, Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies of Republic Act No. 11466 which was signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, entitled:

“AN ACT MODIFYING THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR CIVILIAN GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL AND AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

TO THE ARCHIVES

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 179), re H.B. No. 5887, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN CEBU CITY AND CEBU PROVINCE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 20

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES



Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 180), re H.B. No. 1079, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COASTAL ROAD CONNECTING THE CALOOCAN, MALABON, NAVOTAS AND VALENZUELA AREA (CAMANAVA) TO THE PROVINCES OF BULACAN, PAMPANGA AND BATAAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 181), re H.B. No. 5888, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE THIRD DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF M’LANG, PROVINCE OF COTABATO, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3117 and 4247

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Tejada

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 182), re H.B. No. 5889, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM LANA O DEL NORTE INTERIOR CIRCUMFERENTIAL ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAGO LOAN, PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL NORTE TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALAKAG, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON, WITH A CROSSROAD AT BARANGAY MALIMBATO, MUNICIPALITY OF TAGO LOAN, PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL NORTE AND CONNECTING ROADS TO THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN ILIGAN CITY THROUGH BARANGAY PUGAAN, ILIGAN CITY AND TO THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY IN MARAWI CITY THROUGH THE MUNICIPALITY OF KAPAI, PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MUSLIM-CHRISTIAN

UNITY HIGHWAY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3988

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab, Dimaporo (Khalid), Dimaporo (Abdullah), Acosta-Alba and Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 183), re H.B. No. 497, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A CIRCUMFERENTIAL ROAD FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT (NORTH) TO THE SECOND DISTRICT (SOUTH) OF CEBU CITY”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Del Mar

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 184), re H.B. No. 5890, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE ILIGAN CITY DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1994

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 185), re H.B. No. 5891, entitled:

“AN ACT RECONSTITUTING THE LANA O DEL NORTE DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE PROVINCE OF LANA O DEL NORTE INTO TWO SEPARATE DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2287

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab, Dimaporo (Khalid) and Dimaporo (Abdullah)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Public Works and Highways and the Committee on Appropriations

(Committee Report No. 186), re H.B. No. 5892, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A NEW DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE FOURTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2503

Sponsors: Representatives Madrona, Ungab and Roque

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Revision of Laws (Committee Report No. 187), re H.B. No. 5912, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JULY 27 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NATIONAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9645, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMMEMORATION OF THE FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY OF IGLESIA NI CRISTO ACT' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 369, 2488, 3441, 3730, 4720, 4831, 5251 and 5460

Sponsors: Representatives Deloso-Montalla, Olivarez, Castelo, Santos-Recto, Agabas, Nieto, Quimbo and Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 188), re H.B. No. 5919, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ALIAGA, CUYAPO, LICAB, NAMPICUAN, QUEZON, AND STO. DOMINGO, IN THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2406

Sponsors: Representatives Go (Mark), Ungab and Suansing (Estrellita)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and the Committee on Appropriations

(Committee Report No. 189), re H.B. No. 5920, entitled:

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

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1232

Sponsors: Representatives Go (Mark), Ungab and Espina

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 190), re H.B. No. 5921, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ALABAT, GUINAYANGAN, GUMACA, AND TAGKAWAYAN IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2454, 2455, 2456 and 2457

Sponsors: Representatives Go (Mark), Ungab and Tan (Angelina)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Cooperatives Development (Committee Report No. 191), re H.B. No. 5925, entitled:

“AN ACT MAKING THE POSITION OF A COOPERATIVE OFFICER MANDATORY IN THE MUNICIPAL, CITY AND PROVINCIAL LEVELS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 287, 619, 1058, 2436, 2851 and 3024

Sponsors: Representatives Canama, Suansing (Estrellita) and Ebcas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Local Government (Committee Report No. 192), re H.B. No. 1497, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 20 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUINAYANGAN, PROVINCE OF QUEZON IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Villanueva (Noel) and Tan (Angelina)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Local Government (Committee Report No. 193), re H.B. No. 656, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 22 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ROSARIO, PROVINCE OF CAVITE IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Villanueva (Noel) and Abaya

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Local Government (Committee Report No. 194), re H.B. No. 5944, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 28 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF AURORA TO COMMEMORATE THE DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF DOÑA AURORA ARAGON-QUEZON”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1566

Sponsors: Representatives Villanueva (Noel) and Angara

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Local Government (Committee Report No. 195), re H.B. No. 5945, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 384

Sponsors: Representatives Villanueva (Noel) and Zamora (Way Kurat)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

## **QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTATIVE COLLANTES**

Recognized by the Chair upon motion of Rep. Cristal L. Bagatsing, Rep. Ma. Theresa V. Collantes stood before the Body to request for the much needed help on behalf of the people of the Third District of Batangas due to the eruption of Taal Volcano last January 12, 2020.

Despite the ill-effects brought about by the eruption and the resulting ashfall, Representative Collantes said that she was grateful that no human lives were lost and thankful for the outpouring of support and unselfishness displayed by fellow Filipinos within and outside the government, especially President Duterte, the Members of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Departments of Public Works and Highways, Social Welfare and Development, Health, Education, Agriculture, Trade and Industry, and Labor and Employment, the Philippine National Police, the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology, and neighboring LGUs.

She expressed her admiration on how the people from all walks of life joined hands to help and respond to the sufferings of her constituents during this time of calamity which made her proud to be a Filipino, but at the same time lamented that these efforts would not be enough to sustain them for the long haul.

With the devastation caused by Taal’s eruption, Representative Collantes surmised that the people of Batangas, although they are known for being brave, need the support of everyone in the seeming hopelessness of their current situation until they can rise up again on their own. She then asked for prayers for the safety of the people.

## **REFERRAL OF SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE COLLANTES**

On motion of Representative Bagatsing, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Collantes’ speech to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

On further motion of Representative Bagatsing, the Chair recognized Deputy Speaker Vilma Santos-Recto on a question of privilege.

## **QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE OF DEPUTY SPEAKER SANTOS-RECTO**

As she brought to the attention of the Body the plight of the people in Batangas whose lives

took a sudden turn caused by Taal Volcano's eruption, Deputy Speaker Santos-Recto recalled her experience when the Phivolcs raised the alert level of Taal Volcano to alert level 4. Deputy Speaker Santos-Recto spoke of the data on the number of evacuation centers within and outside of Batangas, and the number of families and individuals that they are serving.

She thereafter expressed her appreciation to all government officials from President Duterte down to every local government official who are giving support and assistance to the people of Batangas. She likewise thanked Department of Science and Technology Undersecretary and Phivolcs Director Renato Solidum and his team for their updates and information on the volcano's status that greatly helped in attaining zero casualty from the eruption.

Deputy Speaker Santos-Recto then talked about the immediate passage of a bill which she filed on the need to require municipalities to establish a permanent evacuation center equipped with facilities to respond to the people's needs who would be affected by disasters and calamities to avoid the displacement and disruption of classes of school children, and to ensure the safety, health and economic well-being of the people.

Recognizing the possibility of an explosive eruption, Deputy Speaker Santos-Recto called for comprehensive plans for the future of displaced individuals; proposed for the creation of a Taal Commission at the appropriate time for the relief, rehabilitation and assistance to those affected by Taal's eruption; and urged Congress to realign funds in coordination with the Committee on Appropriations and other government agencies for the immediate release of funds to address the present crisis in Batangas.

#### **REFERRAL OF SPEECH OF DEPUTY SPEAKER SANTOS-RECTO**

On motion of Representative Bagatsing, there being no objection, the Body referred Deputy Speaker Santos-Recto's speech to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, the Chair recognized Rep. Lianda B. Bolilia on a question of privilege upon motion of Representative Bagatsing.

#### **QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTATIVE BOLILIA**

Representative Bolilia initially gave an overview of the current condition in Batangas as a result of

the Taal Volcano eruption: families fleeing their homes and going to evacuation centers, a gloomy and desolate landscape covered in thick layers of ash, livelihood destroyed, damaged roads and infrastructures, wasted agricultural products, displaced animals, closed businesses, and opened large fissures on the ground. While Taal Volcano is one of the smallest volcano in the world and is considered a tourism hotspot in the Philippines because of its majestic view, she pointed out that it is also capable of destroying communities with its destructive eruption.

While the Fourth District of Batangas has not been directly affected by the volcano's eruption, Representative Bolilia averred that it has become a safe haven for evacuees from different municipalities.

Representative Bolilia highlighted the importance of the *bayanihan* spirit and thanked the national government, LGUs, the private sector and individuals for the overflowing show of solidarity, support, and acts of humanity for the Taal Volcano victims.

Realizing the adverse and immense impact of the present calamity to people and communities, Representative Bolilia urged the national and local governments to put forward a post-disaster response strategy to restore and rebuild lives, livelihoods, and communities, as well as for Congress to heed the call for action for a more responsive and enhanced policy on disaster risk management and preparedness.

#### **REFERRAL OF SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BOLILIA**

On motion of Representative Bagatsing, there being no objection, the Body referred the speech of Representative Bolilia to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

At 4:25 p.m., the Chair declared a recess upon motion of Representative Bagatsing.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 4:25 p.m.

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Representative Bagatsing, the Chair recognized Rep. Rowena "Niña" O. Tadiran for a question of privilege.



## QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE OF REPRESENTATIVE TADURAN

Before proceeding with her speech, Representative Tadiran at first led a short prayer for the affected towns of the Province of Batangas amid the ongoing danger of and an imminent major Taal Volcano eruption.

Representative Tadiran then narrated the unfortunate incident she encountered when the window of her sports utility vehicle was smashed while it was parked at a mall in Sta. Mesa, Manila last January 6, 2020, and that some of her belongings were stolen by the so-called *basag-kotse* robbers.

Expressing dismay on the absence of CCTV cameras and security guards to patrol the area, as well as citing reports on similar cases of robbery and a Supreme Court decision on the responsibilities of car park owners, Representative Tadiran relayed the need for Congress to pass a law that would hold accountable the management and staff of any parking facility for any loss or damage incurred on a parked vehicle and the valuables therein.

In conclusion, Representative Tadiran expressed her support to House Bill No. 3262 on the regulation of parking fees and asked for her colleagues' support in addressing the exorbitant parking fees imposed by car park owners as she expressed belief that they should be held accountable and liable for the safety and security of the vehicles parked in their facilities.

## REFERRAL OF SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TADURAN

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Claudine Diana D. Bautista, there being no objection, the Body referred the speech of Representative Tadiran to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

## SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 4:43 p.m. upon motion of Representative Bautista.

## RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:45 p.m.

## ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES

On successive motions of Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body

elected the following Members to the committees specified hereunder:

### Committee on Games and Amusements

(as member)

Rep. "Kuya" Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado

### Committee on Public Accounts

(as member)

Rep. Eric Go Yap

### Special Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects

(as member)

Rep. Micaela S. Violago

## DESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVE YAP (E.) AS LEGISLATIVE CARETAKER

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body designated Representative Yap (E.) as legislative caretaker of the Lone District of Benguet.

## PRIVILEGE HOUR

It being a Monday, on motion of Representative Romualdo, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter recognized Rep. France L. Castro for her privilege speech.

## PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)

Representative Castro related that she, together with the Quezon City Public School Teachers Association, took part in the relief operations for the victims of the Taal Volcano eruption. She raised concern however on the calamity preparedness of the government in addressing the needs of the evacuees particularly in turning schools and classrooms into evacuation centers which had resulted in the disruption of classes. As the country is vulnerable to typhoons and calamities, she enjoined the government to address livelihood concerns of the evacuees and put up permanent evacuation centers considering that the quality of education would be jeopardized by using school facilities as evacuation centers.

## REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)

Thereupon, on successive motions of Representative Romualdo, there being no



objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Castro to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action and thereafter, the Chair recognized Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago for her privilege speech.

#### **PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO**

At the outset, Representative Elago, on behalf of Kabataan Party-List, conveyed her gratitude to the organizations, volunteers, and public servants who had contributed to the relief and rehabilitation efforts related to the Taal Volcano eruption. She also gave tribute and offered a minute of silent prayer to the three young students who died in a vehicular accident after participating in relief operations for the Taal victims.

Amid the displacement, loss, and devastation brought by typhoons, the recent eruption of Taal Volcano, and the earthquakes in Mindanao, Representative Elago called for an immediate imposition of a national moratorium on tuition fee increases in all education institutions in order to give the people the much-needed respite as they rebuild their lives and homes while ensuring quality education. She stressed that congressional support for learning continuity and strengthened oversight on calamity and quick response funds are imperative, and enjoined her colleagues to discuss measures on building permanent evacuation centers.

#### **REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO**

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

#### **TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR**

Thereafter, on further motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

#### **CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 571**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body changed the referral of House Resolution No. 571, from the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization to the Committee on Rules.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS**

At this point, Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Majority Leader Romualdez (F.M.).

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO 142 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5832**

On motion of Rep. Manuel F. Zubiri, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5832 contained in Committee Report No. 142 as reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, Overseas Workers Affairs, and Appropriations, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF FILIPINOS OVERSEAS AND FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT, DEFINING ITS MANDATE, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.”

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Zubiri, there being no objection, the Chair recognized Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité to interpellate Rep. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño, chairperson of the Committee on Government Reorganization.

#### **INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE GAITE**

Representative Gaité asked about the rationale behind the proposed creation of the Department of Filipinos Overseas and Foreign Employment (DFO) which is intended to address all the concerns of overseas Filipino workers (OFWs) under one office despite the implementation of the “labor export program” by the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) for over 50 years already.

As the Sponsor explained the department’s function as a one-stop shop for OFW concerns, Representative Gaité also asked why there was still a need for its creation when there are already existing government agencies assigned for the purpose, such as the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA), Commission on Filipinos Overseas (CFO), DOLE, and the Philippine Overseas Labor Office (POLO). He pointed out that these agencies alone are sufficient to cater to the needs and concerns of OFWs. Representative Mariño then explained that all these agencies will be placed under the proposed

DFO that will be headed altogether by a department secretary, hence removing the mere coordinating work of the different agencies.

*At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Gonzales (A.) relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Johnny Ty Pimentel.*

Thereafter, Representative Gaite asked Representative Mariño about his opinion on the overseas employment program of the government as a temporary program because it does not respond to the long-term local employment problem of the country. He stressed that while the labor export program is phenomenal for the Philippines and other relatively poor countries, any government would, however, normally strive to provide local employment. He then pointed out that with the establishment of the DFO, the deployment of Filipino workers abroad will become long-term and would mean forced migration to the OFWs.

Representative Gaite stressed that Filipinos will not place their lives at risk and their families at a disadvantage if there were high-paying and regular job opportunities in the country.

*At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Pimentel relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Gonzales (A.).*

Representatives Gaite and Mariño then debated on the rationale for the proposed department and if it could be abolished after ten years once assessed that it would no longer be needed. Representative Gaite cited President Duterte's 2017 vow that in ten years, there will be no more Filipinos forced to work abroad; while the Sponsor explained that the proposed department could also provide skills upgrading and job matching for local jobs as well as legal services.

*Deputy Speaker Gonzales (A.) thereafter relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Pimentel.*

The two Members also discussed the effect of conflicts in the Middle East and policies such as Saudization, on overseas employment. Representative Mariño agreed with Representative Gaite that a department is needed to monitor OFWs in problematic areas. He believed that by creating the DFO, job matching could be systematized to determine who among them possesses skills for local employment needs and those who still need to work

abroad. He also cited treaties with other countries which were violated despite strict guidelines.

Representative Gaite informed his colleague about the existence of the OWWA Reintegration Program which offers returning OFWs with livelihood opportunities and loan facilities. He argued that overseas employment had ceased to be a stop-gap measure but also cautioned about the decreasing demand for foreign workers in other countries. To Representative Gaite's query about the workers of agencies to be affected by the creation of the new department, Representative Mariño clarified that they would be absorbed and covered by civil service rules and regulations.

In closing, Representative Gaite stressed that the creation of a new department is not the primary response to address the problems of OFWs and that labor export program must be stopped or reduced. He also observed that the government, despite its recognition of the OFWs as big contributors to the economy, are subjected to multiple state exactions on fees and increased state health insurance premiums, instead of providing them local jobs. He also expressed his desire that protection would be given to government workers who would be affected by the creation of this new department.

#### **INTERPELLATION OF MINORITY LEADER ABANTE**

Upon recognition by the Chair, Minority Leader Bienvenido M. Abante Jr. first raised his question regarding the DFO as the primary agency to protect the rights and promote the welfare of Filipinos overseas in spite of the Philippine Foreign Service Act of 1991 which also gives the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) the same mandate.

He and Representative Mariño then talked about the differences and overlapping functions of the DFA and DOLE and the proposed DFO, where the Sponsor said that there will be a need for coordination among the agencies. He said that he would welcome any proposed amendment of Minority Leader Abante to further improve the Bill.

Minority Leader Abante proceeded to discuss with the Sponsor Section 14 of the Bill on the absence of the DFO secretary in matters that will be clearly within his/her jurisdiction and mandate as protector of Filipinos overseas. He expressed

belief that the overlapping functions of the DFO and the DFA, if not corrected, would further sow confusion. Representative Mariño said that he was willing to accept amendments on the matter and took note of Minority Leader Abante's suggestion on a clear delineation of mandate and services for the two departments.

The Members next debated on the following provisions of House Bill No. 5832, among others: (1) whether the regulatory power of the DFO in terms of operations of private recruitment and manning agencies and related business is quasi-judicial or merely administrative in nature; (2) Section 4(z) of the Bill which transfers all OFW-related functions of the DOLE and OWWA to the DFO and the latter's administrative function over OWWA under Section 19 of the Bill, with Minority Leader Abante expressing his support for the Bill because he believes that it would stop corruption in the OWWA, and noting that it would be better to abolish OWWA in favor of the DFO; (3) the inconsistency in the Bill's provisions regarding inclusive and participative decision-making; (4) the creation of a Sectoral and Industry Task Force which would include representatives from the private sector, the academe, private industries as well as other national government agencies, and LGUs; (5) the qualifications of would-be officials of the DFO; (6) the establishment of an Assistance-to-Nationals (ATN) Career Corps (ACO) and the type of service it would provide for the DFO; and (7) the creation of a bank or financial institution and hospitals that would cater to OFWs.

In closing, Minority Leader Abante pointed out that while OFW leaders would like to have a Department of Filipinos Overseas, there is, however, fear that said department might not be able to protect their interest. He then expressed hope that should the Bill become a law, said department would truly serve and protect all OFWs.

#### **SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5832**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5832.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS**

Representative Zubiri at this point acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Representative Gaite.

#### **ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Resolutions which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

House Resolution No. 643, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE RECENT TAAL VOLCANO ERUPTION”

By Representative Barzaga  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 644, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE REPORTED EXTENSION OF PILOT TESTING FOR MOTORCYCLE TAXI AND TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES AFFECTING THE SAME”

By Representative Bagatsing  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 645, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (MMDA) ON THE SUCCESSFUL STAGING OF THE 2019 METRO MANILA FILM FESTIVAL AND FOR OFFICIALLY LAUNCHING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ENTRIES FOR THE METRO MANILA SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL”

By Representative Castelo  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON METRO MANILA DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 646, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE EVIDENT LACK OF SECURITY AND SAFETY MEASURES BEING IMPLEMENTED IN MAJOR COMMERCIAL PUBLIC

ESTABLISHMENTS SUCH AS MALLS,  
SHOPPING CENTERS AND OTHER  
SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS”

By Representative Castelo  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 647, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE  
APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEES TO  
CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID  
OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED  
LOPSIDED CONCESSION AGREEMENT  
ENTERED BY THE GOVERNMENT WITH  
THE AYALA-PANGILINAN CONSORTIUM  
LIGHT RAIL MANAGEMENT  
CORPORATION (LRMC)”

By Representatives Yap (Eric)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 648, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING  
ACT TEACHERS PARTY-LIST  
REPRESENTATIVE FRANCE CASTRO  
FOR BEING AWARDED THE 2019 FEBE  
ELIZABETH VELASQUEZ TRADE UNION  
RIGHTS AWARD”

By Representatives Zarate, Gaité, Cullamat, Brosas  
and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Resolution No. 649, entitled:

“AN URGENT RESOLUTION CALLING FOR  
AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON  
THE DECISION OF THE INTER-AGENCY  
TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP TO  
EXTEND THE PILOT IMPLEMENTATION  
OF MOTORCYCLE TAXIS”

By Representative Lim  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 650, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND  
CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES TO THE FAMILY OF  
HONORABLE NESTOR B. FONGWAN,  
REPRESENTATIVE OF THE LONE  
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE  
PROVINCE OF BENGUET IN THE  
EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS”

By Representatives Cayetano (Alan Peter),  
Romualdez (Ferdinand) and Abante

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 651, entitled:

“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE  
COMPASSION, SOLIDARITY, SUPPORT

AND EMPATHY OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE INJURED,  
DISPLACED AND BEREAVED VICTIMS  
OF TYPHOON URSULA”

By Representatives Cayetano (Alan Peter),  
Romualdez (Ferdinand) and Abante  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

## **ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

On successive motions of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body considered the following House Resolutions; dispensed with the reading of the texts of the measures without prejudice to their insertion into the records of the House; and unanimously adopted the said House Resolutions:

1. House Resolution No. 650, entitled:  
“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND  
CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE  
OF REPRESENTATIVES TO THE  
FAMILY OF HONORABLE NESTOR  
B. FONGWAN, REPRESENTATIVE OF  
THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF  
THE PROVINCE OF BENGUET IN THE  
EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS”; and
2. House Resolution No. 651, entitled:  
“RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE  
COMPASSION, SOLIDARITY, SUPPORT  
AND EMPATHY OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE INJURED,  
DISPLACED AND BEREAVED VICTIMS  
OF TYPHOON URSULA.”

## **RECONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 2674**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body reconsidered the approval on Second Reading of House Bill No. 2674, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LABO IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF CAMARINES NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,” in order to introduce perfecting amendments therein.

## **PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no committee amendments, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no



objection, the Body proceeded to consider individual amendments.

#### **AMENDMENT BY SUBSTITUTION**

Pursuant to Section 104 of the Provisional Rules of the House, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body approved to amend by substitution the entire Bill as contained in Committee Report No. 174 with the contents of the substitute Bill, copies of which had been previously distributed to the Members.

#### **TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no individual amendments, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

#### **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 2674, AS AMENDED**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 2674, as amended, through *viva voce* voting.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

The Chair suspended the session at 6:44 p.m. upon motion of Representative Romualdo.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

At 6:47 p.m., the session resumed.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

Subsequently, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the session was suspended until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

It was 6:48 p.m. of Monday, January 20, 2020.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 3:00 p.m. of Tuesday, January 21, 2020 with Deputy Speaker Johnny Ty Pimentel presiding.

#### **ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

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

#### **ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

##### **BILLS ON FIRST READING**

House Bill No. 5926, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE SOCIAL PENSION OF SENIOR CITIZENS AND EXPANDING THE COVERAGE THEREOF, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 9994”

By Representative Lim

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 5927, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING SUPPORT MECHANISMS ON MATTERS OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT FOR TEACHERS AND PERSONNEL IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5928, entitled:

“AN ACT TO FURTHER DEVELOP CAPABILITY AND ESTABLISH EXPEDITIOUS TRANSFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AND ITS BUREAUS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 5929, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO SULTAN KUDARAT TELEPHONE SYSTEM, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8637, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE SULTAN KUDARAT TELEPHONE SYSTEM, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, ESTABLISH, INSTALL, MAINTAIN AND OPERATE LOCAL EXCHANGE NETWORK IN THE PROVINCE OF SULTAN KUDARAT' ”

By Representative Sakaluran

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES



House Bill No. 5930, entitled:

“AN ACT DELINEATING THE TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES OF TAGAYTAY CITY, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1418 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9024”

By Representative Tolentino  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5931, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE DISPLAY OF NUTRITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE MENU OF FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS”

By Representative Bagatsing  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 5932, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND REHABILITATION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002' AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Cabochan  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS

House Bill No. 5933, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE BUREAU OF SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS (BSI), PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF, AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8551 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM AND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998”

By Representative Mangudadatu  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 5934, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE BARANGAY ROAD FROM BARANGAY ASUNCION IN MAASIN CITY TO BARANGAY PAKU, BONTOC, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 5935, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RADIO STATION OF THE BUREAU OF BROADCAST

SERVICES IN MAASIN CITY, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 5936, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING GUINSAUGON ECO-ADVENTURE PARK IN GUINSAUGON, ST. BERNARD, SOUTHERN LEYTE AS THE GUINSAUGON ECO-ADVENTURE NATIONAL PARK”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5937, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING CAGNITUAL FALLS LOCATED IN MAASIN CITY, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5938, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 17 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'GUINSAUGON DAY' IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE 2006 LANDSLIDE IN BARANGAY GUINSAUGON, MUNICIPALITY OF ST. BERNARD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5939, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SOUTHERN LEYTE SPORTS ACADEMY AND TRAINING CENTER IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF MAASIN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 5940, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING SOGOD ZIPLINE ALONG THE VICINITY OF AGAS-AGAS BRIDGE, MUNICIPALITY OF SOGOD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AS

A TOURIST SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Amatong  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5941, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A BRANCH OFFICE OF THE HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND 'PAG-IBIG' IN MAASIN CITY, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE”

By Representative Mercado  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 5948, entitled:

“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF PARACELIS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF PARACELIS, PROVINCE OF MOUNTAIN PROVINCE”

By Representative Dalog  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5942, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAOANG, PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR TO BE KNOWN AS THE LAOANG TESDA TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Ong (Jose)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5949, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE INCLUSION OF SUBJECTS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND PEACE EDUCATION IN THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR CURRICULA OF ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Hataman and Sangcopan  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5943, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF THE HEAD OF OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS AFFAIRS (OSCA) AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 6, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9994, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2010' ”

By Representative Datol  
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 5950, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER TO BE LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BANNA, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Barba  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5946, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCY STUDIES IN THE K TO 12 CURRICULUM”

By Representative Fortun  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5951, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO ANGELO KOUAME”

By Representative Puno  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

## COMMUNICATIONS

House Bill No. 5947, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE SITUBO FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAMPILISAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING

Letter dated October 16, 2019 of Michael Angelo S. Sestoso, Municipal Mayor, Municipality of Alcoy, Province of Cebu, submitting the Report on Fund Utilization of Program/Project Implementation for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2019 on the Local Government Support Fund.  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated December 4, 2019 of Ma. Luna E. Cacanando, President and CEO, Small Business Corporation, furnishing the House of Representatives with a copy of the SB Corp's 2018 Annual Report.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

Letter dated December 10, 2019 of Mario G. Lipana, Director III, Officer-in-Charge, Regional Office No. IV-A, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with copies of the CYs 2015 to 2018 Annual Audit Reports (AARs) on the Mabini Water District, Mabini, Batangas and Siniloan Water District, Siniloan, Laguna.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated 11 December 2019 of Benjamin E. Diokno, Governor, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, submitting to the House of Representatives the Report on Economic and Financial Developments in the Philippines, Third Quarter 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letter dated December 20, 2019 of Susan C. Ramirez, Director III, OIC-Regional Director, Regional Office No. II, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives with copies of Biennial Audit Report on the Calayan Water District, Calayan, Cagayan, for the Biennium Period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2018 and Annual Audit Report on the Luna Water District, Luna, Isabela for the year ended December 31, 2018.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letters dated 23 December 2019 of Donaldo B. Robles, Acting Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Memorandum No. M-2019-029 dated 12 December 2019; and
2. Memorandum No. M-2019-030 dated 18 December 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letters dated 2 January 2020 of Janice G. Ayson-Zales, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Circular No. 1068 dated 26 December 2019;
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2019-087 dated 19 December 2019;
3. Circular Letter No. CL-2019-088 dated 23 December 2019;
4. Circular No. 1069 dated 27 December 2019; and
5. Circular No. 1070 dated 27 December 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Agrarian Reform and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 196), re H.B. No. 5955, entitled:

“AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE PROVINCIAL AGRARIAN REFORM OFFICE OF LANA DEL NORTE FROM ILIGAN CITY TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUBOD, LANA DEL NORTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4735

Sponsor: Representatives Chungalao, Ungab and Dimaporo (Khalid)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Agrarian Reform (Committee Report No. 197), re H.B. No. 3029, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING THE CONVERSION OR CAUSING THE CONVERSION OF IRRIGATED AND IRRIGABLE LANDS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6657, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW OF 1998”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsor: Representatives Chungalao, Palma and Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Agrarian Reform (Committee Report No. 198), re H.B. No. 5083, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RESTRUCTURING AND CONDONATION OF UNPAID INTERESTS, PENALTIES, AND SURCHARGES ON LOANS SECURED BY FARMERS, FISHERFOLK AND AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN

REFORM (DAR), THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA), THE PEOPLE'S CREDIT AND FINANCE CORPORATION (PCFC), THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CDA), THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY (NFA) AND THE QUEDAN AND RURAL CREDIT GUARANTEE CORPORATION (QUEDANCOR)"

recommending its approval without amendment  
Sponsor: Representatives Chungalao, Canama and Agabas  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereafter, the session was suspended at 3:08 p.m. upon motion of Rep. Christopher V.P. de Venecia.

### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 3:21 p.m.

### ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

#### BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 5952, entitled:

"AN ACT TRANSFERRING AND TURNING OVER TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS THE ADMINISTRATION, MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF PARKS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE AND HISTORIC LANDMARKS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE"

By Representative Abante  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 5953, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF COCKPITS AND OTHER STRUCTURES OR FACILITIES FOR HOLDING COCKFIGHTS NEAR SCHOOLS AND OTHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS,

CHURCH BUILDINGS AND OTHER PLACES OF WORSHIP, AND HOSPITALS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE"

By Representative Abante  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS

House Bill No. 5954, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO MINIMUM WAGE EARNERS BY WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED IN THEIR APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT"

By Representative Saulog  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 5956, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 7 EVERY YEAR AS BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS DAY"

By Representative Co (Angelica)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5957, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DAVAO DEL NORTE STATE COLLEGE ACADEMIC EXTENSION CAMPUS IN THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL (IGACOS), PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE"

By Representative Dujali  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5958, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DAVAO DEL NORTE STATE COLLEGE ACADEMIC EXTENSION CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMEN, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE"

By Representative Dujali  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5959, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DAVAO DEL NORTE STATE COLLEGE ACADEMIC EXTENSION CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STO. TOMAS, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE"

By Representative Dujali  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION



House Bill No. 5960, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING THE ARTS (A) INTO SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) ESTABLISHING STEAM IN BASIC AND HIGHER EDUCATION, PROMOTING CAPACITY BUILDING FOR EDUCATORS, PROVIDING FOR ITS FINANCING, AND MANDATING SCHOOLS TO INSTITUTIONALIZE STEAM EDUCATION TO CONTRIBUTE TO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S&T), INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND TO ENHANCE THE CREATIVE POTENTIALS AND HOLISTIC DEVELOPMENT OF FILIPINO STUDENTS IN THE 4<sup>TH</sup> INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION”

By Representative Fortun

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

House Bill No. 5961, entitled:

“AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF CALOOCAN”

By Representative Malapitan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5962, entitled:

“THE REVISED CHARTER OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM”

By Representative Pimentel

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 5963, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING NEW POSITIONS FOR THE TEACHING PERSONNEL IN THE PUBLIC BASIC EDUCATION SYSTEM, REVISING THE QUALIFICATION STANDARDS THEREOF AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Revilla

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5964, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8496 AS AMENDED BY 9036”

By Representative Aumentado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 5965, entitled:

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

By Representatives Yap (Eric) and Duterte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 5966, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE TAAL VOLCANO REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ESTABLISHING THE TAAL VOLCANO REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING AID, RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION, LIVELIHOOD, AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO COMMUNITIES ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE TAAL VOLCANO ERUPTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Santos-Recto, Bolilia, Collantes and Mariño

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 5967, entitled:

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

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 5968, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING LIFETIME VALIDITY OF PHILIPPINE PASSPORTS ISSUED TO SENIOR CITIZENS/ELDERLY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 10 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.



8239 AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 10928 (R.A. 10928), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE PASSPORT ACT OF 1996', AS AMENDED"

By Representative Datol  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

OFFICE, COURT OR ANY COMPETENT BODY ARISING FROM AN INCIDENT RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTY"

By Representative Olivarez  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 5969, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF ETHNICITY, RACE, RELIGION OR BELIEF, SEX OR GENDER OR SEXUAL ORIENTATION, LANGUAGE, DISABILITY, EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, AND OTHER FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Abante  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

House Bill No. 5973, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE AND STRENGTHENING THE POWERS OF THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (NTC) AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES"

By Representative Olivarez  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 5970, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF ECHAGUE IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ECHAGUE"

By Representative Dy (Faustino Inno)  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 5974, entitled:

"AN ACT REDUCING FOOD WASTE THROUGH FOOD DONATIONS AND FOOD WASTE RECYCLING"

By Representative Suntay  
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 5971, entitled:

"AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF FIFTY BILLION PESOS FOR THE AID, RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION AND LIVELIHOOD SERVICES AS WELL AS AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE ERUPTION OF TAAL VOLCANO, CREATING THE TAAL VOLCANO ASSISTANCE, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Deloso-Montalla  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 5976, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION, INSTITUTIONALIZING THE FINANCIAL CONSUMER PROTECTION DEPARTMENT, GRANTING FINANCIAL REGULATORY AGENCIES ENHANCED OVERSIGHT POWER, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Salceda  
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 5972, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO ANY OFFICER ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ON ANY CHARGE BEFORE THE PROSECUTOR'S

House Bill No. 5977, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE TAAL COMMISSION AS PRIMARY AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT FOR RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION AND LIVELIHOOD SERVICES, FOR STRATEGIC ADVANCED COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED RECONSTRUCTION OF TAAL ERUPTION-VULNERABLE AREAS, ADOPTING THE TAAL ERUPTION RECOVERY, REHABILITATION, AND

ADAPTATION (TERRA) PLAN, AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT  
REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON  
DISASTER MANAGEMENT

## RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 652, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE  
COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT  
AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY  
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID  
OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ABRUPT  
CANCELLATION OF THE PSAHELPLINE  
BY THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS  
AUTHORITY (PSA) WHICH ADVERSELY  
AFFECTED THE PUBLIC PSA-DATA  
REQUESTS”

By Representative Pimentel

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 653, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE  
COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT  
AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF  
LEGISLATION, INTO THE NEW CORONA  
VIRUS DISCOVERED IN CHINA AND  
THE POSSIBILITY OF ENTRY OF SAID  
VIRUS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 654, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION COMMENDING ALL THE  
DIFFERENT, DISTINCT, AUTONOMOUS  
AND INDEPENDENT FILIPINO BAPTIST  
CHURCHES IN THE CELEBRATION  
OF THE 120<sup>TH</sup> YEAR SINCE THE  
FOUNDING AND ESTABLISHMENT  
OF BAPTIST CHURCHES IN THE  
COUNTRY AND RECOGNIZING THEIR  
VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION TO  
GOOD GOVERNANCE AND NATION-  
BUILDING”

By Representatives Villanueva (Eduardo) and  
Rivera

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 655, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE IMMEDIATE  
RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE

AID, RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT,  
REHABILITATION, LIVELIHOOD,  
DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL  
PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO  
COMMUNITIES ADVERSELY AFFECTED  
BY THE TAAL VOLCANO ERUPTION,  
AND DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
COMMITTEE TO IMMEDIATELY CALL  
THE NATIONAL DISASTER RISK  
REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT  
COUNCIL (NDRRMC) FOR A HOUSE  
COMMITTEE BRIEFING TO ASSESS  
THE SITUATION AND DETERMINE  
THE NEEDS OF THE AFFECTED  
LOCALITIES AND THE TOTAL BUDGET  
REQUIREMENTS TO ADDRESS THE  
CALAMITY”

By Representatives Santos-Recto, Collantes,  
Bolilia and Mariño

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

## CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF HOUSE MEASURES

On motion of Rep. Juan Miguel Macapagal  
Arroyo, there being no objection, the Body changed  
the referral of the following measures to the  
committees specified hereunder:

1. House Bills No. 1039, 1092, 1240, 1393,  
1736, 2017, 2224, 2708, 2710, 2806, 3489,  
3503, 3682, 3796, 4007, 4021, 4187, 4302,  
4322, 4489, 4596, 4757, 5129, and 5272,  
and House Resolution No. 454 – from the  
Committee on Social Services to the Special  
Committee on Persons with Disabilities;
2. House Bills No. 1629, 2900, and 4973 – from  
the Special Committee on Senior Citizens  
and the Committee on Social Services to the  
Special Committees on Senior Citizens, and  
Persons with Disabilities;
3. House Bills No. 4636, 4920, and 5036 – from  
the Committee on Social Services and the  
Special the Committee on Senior Citizens  
to the Special Committees on Persons with  
Disabilities, and Senior Citizens;
4. House Bills No. 210, 1689, 2707, 4160,  
4449, and 5795 – from the Committee on  
Revision of Laws to the Committees on  
Revision of Laws, and Welfare of Children;  
and

5. House Resolution No. 481 – from the Committee on Trade and Industry to the Committee on Transportation.

### **ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES**

Subsequently, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members of the Majority to the committees specified hereunder:

#### Committee on Justice

(as member)

Rep. Eric Go Yap

#### Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability

(as member)

Rep. Maricel G. Natividad-Nagaño, MD

#### Committee on Games and Amusements

(as member)

Rep. Maricel G. Natividad-Nagaño, MD

#### Committee on Public Accounts

(as members)

Rep. Maricel G. Natividad-Nagaño, MD  
Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos

#### Committee on Local Government

(as member)

Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos

#### Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs

(as member)

Rep. Macnell M. Lusotan

#### Committee on Dangerous Drugs

(as member)

Rep. Macnell M. Lusotan

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS**

At this point, Rep. Rowena “Niña” O. Taduran acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Alfel M. Bascug.

### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair suspended the session at 3:36 p.m.

### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 3:50 p.m.

### **RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5832**

On motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5832 contained in Committee Report No. 142 as reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, Overseas Workers Affairs, and Appropriations, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF FILIPINOS OVERSEAS AND FOREIGN EMPLOYMENT, DEFINING ITS MANDATE, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.”

On further motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, the Chair then recognized Rep. Mario Vittorio “Marvey” A. Mariño, chairperson of the Committee on Government Reorganization, to sponsor the measure and Rep. France L. Castro to interpellate thereon.

### **INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)**

As she observed the renaming of the proposed “Department of Overseas Filipino Workers” to “Department of Filipinos Overseas and Foreign Employment,” Representative Castro debated with Representative Mariño on whether the labor policy of the government is one that is export-oriented and on the reasons why Filipino workers want to work abroad.

Representative Mariño believed that due to the country’s development, more local jobs are now

available and that the creation of the DFO will help in skills matching to maximize local job opportunities and at the same time provide assistance to Filipinos who currently need to work abroad.

Representative Castro next inquired into the definition of the term “Filipino overseas” that would be covered by the DFO’s mandate and the effects of the new department in terms of functions on existing agencies governing foreign employment such as the Philippine Overseas Labor Office and the International Labor Affairs Bureau of the Department of Labor and Employment. She also discussed with the Sponsor the mandate of the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) with regard to state-to-state relations, especially those covered by international laws such as the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties.

Representative Castro pointed out the redundancy and confusion that will result from the creation of the DFO. She then exchanged views with the Sponsor on the “one-country team approach” under Section 14 of the Bill and how this will affect the decision-making and coordination work between the DFA and the DFO.

In closing, Representative Castro stressed that the new department will only result in duplication of functions and that what needs to be prioritized, among others, are policies on job generation and decent wage.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Majority Leader Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez.

#### SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5832

On motion of Representative Crisologo, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5832.

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Crisologo, the Chair suspended the session at 4:39 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

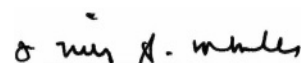
The session resumed at 4:47 p.m.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until one o’clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at the Batangas City Convention Center.

It was 4:47 p.m. of Tuesday, January 21, 2020.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

  
**JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES**  
Secretary General

Approved on January 27, 2020.



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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.)
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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

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 (ALYSSA)
* 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

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