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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1077

Submitted by the Committee on Information and Communications Technology and the Committee on Ways and Means on JAN 23 2019.

Re : House Bill No. 3437

Recommending its approval without amendment, in consolidation with House Bills Numbered 846, 4771 and 5388.

Sponsor : Representatives Victor A. Yap, Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, and Estrellita B. Suansing

Madam Speaker:

The Committee on Information and Communications Technology and the Committee on Ways and Means to which were referred House Bill No. 3437 introduced by Rep. Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas and Rep. Arnulfo P. Fuentesbella, entitled:

**"AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR AN ON-LINE NETWORK ESTABLISHMENT POLICY FOR THE
PHILIPPINES"**

House Bill No. 846 introduced by Rep. Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, entitled:

**"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING AN ONLINE NETWORK FOR THE PHILIPPINES"**

House Bill No. 4771 introduced by Rep. Bernadette Herrera-Dy, entitled:


**"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING AN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY
(ICT) HUB IN EVERY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES"**

and House Bill No. 5388 introduced by Rep. Gary C. Alejano, entitled:


**"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING AN ICT HUB IN EVERY PROVINCE AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES"**

has considered the same and recommends the approval of House Bill No. **3437**, without amendment, in consolidation with House Bills Numbered 846, 4771, and 5388, and with Representatives Rose Marie "Baby" J. Arenas, Arnulfo P. Fuentebella, Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Deogracias Victor B. Savellano, Bernadette Herrera-Dy, Gary C. Alejano, Victor A. Yap, Estrellita B. Suansing, Raneo E. Abu, Aurelio D. Gonzalez, Francisco F. Matugas II, Francis Gerald A. Abaya, Cristina Roa-Puno, Ann K. Hofer, Enrico A. Pineda, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon, Aniceto D. Bertiz III, Dennis C. Laogan, Prospero A. Pichay Jr., Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado, Virgilio S. Lacson, Alexandria P. Gonzales, Strike B. Revilla, Maximo B. Rodriguez Jr., Rene L. Relampagos, Micaela S. Violago, Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, Mariano Michael M. Velarde, and Joey S. Salceda as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:



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VICTOR A. YAP
Chairperson
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FACT SHEET

House Bill No. **3437**

(in consolidation with House Bills Numbered 846, 4771, and 5388)

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ON-LINE NETWORK ESTABLISHMENT POLICY FOR THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by: Representatives ROSE MARIE "BABY" J. ARENAS, ARNULFO P. FUENTEBELLA, LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA, DEOGRACIAS VICTOR B. SAVELLANO, BERNADETTE HERRERA-DY, GARY C. ALEJANO, VICTOR A. YAP, ESTRELLITA B. SUANSING, RANEO E. ABU, AURELIO D. GONZALEZ, FRANCISCO F. MATUGAS II, FRANCIS GERALD A. ABAYA, CRISTINA ROA-PUNO, ANN K. HOFER, ENRICO A. PINEDA, MARLYN L. PRIMICIAS-AGABAS, CORAZON T. NUÑEZ-MALANYAON, ANICETO D. BERTIZ III, DENNIS C. LAOGAN, PROSPERO A. PICHAY JR., ERICO ARISTOTLE C. AUMENTADO, VIRGILIO S. LACSON, ALEXANDRIA P. GONZALES, STRIKE B. REVILLA, MAXIMO B. RODRIGUEZ JR., RENE L. RELAMPAGOS, MICAELA S. VIOLAGO, XAVIER JESUS D. ROMUALDO, MARIANO MICHAEL M. VELARDE AND JOEY S. SALCEDA

*Committee Referral: COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS
TECHNOLOGY*

Committee Chairperson: REP. VICTOR A. YAP

OBJECTIVES:

- To establish a nationwide inter-connectivity among local government units (LGUs), from major cities, through ICT Hubs, to simple barangays, through the CICTCs.
- To provide for a policy framework for an on-line network establishment that will encourage the putting up of Community Information and Communications Technology Centers (CICTCs) and/or ICT Hubs in every legislative district of the country.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Identifies through the Information and Communications Technology Office (DOST-ICTO), areas in every legislative district where the CICTCs or ICT Hubs shall be located pursuant to the development of a comprehensive internet superhighway, national ICT plan and the national, provincial, city or municipal spatial and development plans, and come up with a scheme to address the unviable areas using the latest and emerging technologies available.

- Encourages the private sector to establish ICT Hubs or CICTCs in accordance with the standards set by the ICTO.
- Provides incentives to a locator enterprise or public telecommunications entity in the ICT Hub or the CICTC as provided for under existing laws, in addition to the incentives given by the local government unit where such ICT Hub or CICTC is located.
- Imposes a fine of Three hundred thousand pesos (P300,000.00) through the National Telecommunications Commission for violation of any of the following acts: (a) non-disclosure, (b) non-interconnection, or (c) non-compliance with the committed information rate and quality of service.
- Creates an advisory council tasked to solicit inputs for the policy, direction, coordination and supervision in the establishment of ICT Hubs and/or CICTCs in every legislative district of the country.

RELATED LAWS:

- Executive Order No. 226 (Omnibus Investment Code of 1987)
- Republic Act No. 7916 (Philippine Economic Zone Authority Law)
as amended by Republic Act No. 8748