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#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:00 p.m., the session was resumed, with Deputy Speaker Rodante D. Marcoleta presiding.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend the session.

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). There is a motion to suspend the session. Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

It was 3:01 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:20 p.m., the session was resumed, with Deputy Speaker Mujiv S. Hataman presiding.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Hataman). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, may we respectfully acknowledge the presence of our guests in the gallery. They are the delegation from the Majlis Al Shura, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, headed by its President, His Excellency Dr. Abdullah Bin Mohammed Bin Ibrahim Al Shiekh. (Applause)

Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Hataman). May we request our guests to please rise—His Excellency Dr. Hamdah Mkboel A. Aljfia, member of the Majlis al Shura; His Excellency Dr. Abdulrahman Hasan M. Bajodah, His Excellency Mr. Abdullah Ghazi D. Alalyani, His Excellency Dr. Mohammed Mahmoud

A. Alwakeel, His Excellency Dr. Nuhad Mohammed Saeed A. Aljishi, His Excellency Amr Abdulaziz M. Almadhi and Mr. Mohammed Hamad R. Albrahim. Please rise. Welcome to the House of Representatives. (Applause)

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. ROMUALDEZ (F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend the session to allow the Members to greet our honored guests in the gallery.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Hataman). The session is suspended.

It was 3:22 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:30 p.m., the session was resumed, with Deputy Speaker Rodante D. Marcoleta presiding.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

REP. COLLANTES. Mr. Speaker, I move that we approve Journal No. 10, dated August 13, 2019.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; Journal No. 10, dated August 13, 2019, is hereby approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. NOGRALES (J.F.). Mr. Speaker, I move that we proceed to the Additional Reference of Business.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

#### ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary General read the following House Bills and Resolutions on First Reading, Messages from the President, and Communications, and the Deputy Speaker made the corresponding references:

#### BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 3801, entitled:

"AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE AT LEAST ONE (1) HEALTH WORKER IN EVERY BARANGAY, INCREASING THEIR SALARIES AND BENEFITS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3802, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING PARAGRAPH (F) SECTION 47 OF REPUBLIC ACT 9136 OR THE 'ELECTRIC POWER INDUSTRY REFORM ACT OF 2001'"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 3803, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE OFFICE FOR INVESTOR FACILITATION AND PROTECTION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 3804, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE CENTER FOR WEST PHILIPPINE SEA STUDIES ATTACHED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WEST PHILIPPINE SEA

House Bill No. 3805, entitled:

"AN ACT TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH OF THE PHILIPPINE FILM INDUSTRY, CREATING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE FILM COMMISSION, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 3806, entitled:

"AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE BILLION PESOS (P1,000,000,000) FOR THE IMPROVEMENT, FORTIFICATION AND BUILDING OF STRUCTURES IN THE KALAYAAN GROUP OF ISLANDS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3807, entitled:

"AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF FORESTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SIXTYTWO HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE, KNOWN AS 'THE FORESTRY PROFESSION LAW', APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 3808, entitled:

"AN ACT AUTHORIZING GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) TO RETAIN AND UTILIZE ALL THEIR INCOME AND INTEREST DERIVED FROM DEPOSITS, FOR MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES, CAPITAL OUTLAYS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3809, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PLANTILLA MEDICAL SPECIALISTS I AND II ITEMS FOR THE POST-RESIDENCY FELLOWS (SUBSPECIALTY TRAINEES) AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MANILA-PHILIPPINE GENERAL HOSPITAL (UPM-PGH) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3810, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE OR ANY PERSON FROM DESIGNATING GANGS BY THEIR HOMETOWN, REGION OR RELIGIOUS OR ETHNIC COMMUNITY" By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3811, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING COMPULSORY WELFARE INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR ALL OVERSEAS CONTRACT WORKERS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 3812, entitled:

"AN ACT GRANTING OLD AGE PENSION FOR LIFE TO SENIOR CITIZENS WHO RETIRED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT 1616 AS WELL AS SURVIVORSHIP BENEFITS TO THEIR SURVIVORS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 3813, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATIONANDTHE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3814, entitled:

"AN ACT SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE PROGRAMS THAT PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO PARENTS WHO WANT TO HELP THEIR CHILDREN BECOME SUCCESSFUL READERS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3815, entitled:

"AN ACT LIMITING THE CLASS HOURS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS TO SIX (6) HOURS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3816, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF INCENTIVES EXTENDED TO THE NATIONAL ATHLETES AND COACHES AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9064 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'NATIONAL ATHLETES, COACHES AND TRAINERS BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES ACT OF 2001', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3817, entitled:

"ANACTAMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 1995', AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10606, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3818, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE RENAL REPLACEMENT THERAPY (RRT) FOR PATIENTS WITH END STAGE RENAL DISEASE IN NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS, INCREASING THE PHILHEALTH PACKAGE RATE FOR RENAL REPLACEMENT THERAPY OF MEMBERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Agabas TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3819, entitled:

"AN ACT PENALIZING DISOBEDIENCE TO THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS AND OTHER ACTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3820, entitled:

"AN ACT TO PROMOTE RURAL HEALTH BY PROVIDING FOR AN ACCELERATED PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A POTABLE WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM IN EVERY BARANGAY IN THE COUNTRY WITHIN THREE YEARS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3821, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS ACCESSIBILITY TO THE HEARING-

IMPAIRED AND SPEECH-IMPAIRED"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 3822, entitled:

"ANACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGULATION OF OIL AND GAS PIPELINES, CREATING THE NATIONAL PIPELINE BOARD FOR THE PURPOSE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 3823, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AND PENALIZE WIRETAPPING AND OTHER RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF COMMUNICATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS

House Bill No. 3824, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE SPRATLY ISLAND TASK FORCE UNDER THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE BILLION PESOS (P1,000,000,000) FOR THAT PURPOSE"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3825, entitled:

"AN ACT REGULATING POLES, POLE ATTACHMENTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 3826, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A UNIVERSAL NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING PROGRAMFORTHE PREVENTION, EARLY DIAGNOSIS AND INTERVENTION OF HEARING LOSS AMONG CHILDREN"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3827, entitled:

"AN ACT REVERTING TO THE NATIONAL

GOVERNMENT THE DISCHARGE OF BASIC AGRICULTURAL FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES DEVOLVED TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3828, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING ENVIRONMENTAL UNITS IN EVERY LENDING INSTITUTION TO ASSESS THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMPONENT OF LOAN APPLICATIONS"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 3829, entitled:

"AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE SYSTEM OF BIRTH REGISTRATION OF CHILDREN IN NEED OF SPECIAL PROTECTION (CNSP) IN THE PHILIPPINES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 3830, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING THE APPOINTMENT OF LAWYERS BELONGING TO INDIGENOUS GROUPS IN AREAS DOMINATED BY INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AS JUDGES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3831, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 25 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1638 'ESTABLISHING A NEW SYSTEM OF RETIREMENT AND SEPARATION FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3832, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE BAGUIO CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – FORT DEL PILLAR ANNEX IN BARANGAY FORT DEL PILAR, BAGUIO CITY, INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS FORT DEL PILAR NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Go (Mark)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

#### House Bill No. 3833, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE BAGUIO CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – HILLSIDE ANNEX IN BARANGAY HILLSIDE, BAGUIO CITY, INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS HILLSIDE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Go (Mark)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

#### House Bill No. 3834, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A RURAL EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

# House Bill No. 3835, entitled:

"AN A C T MANDATING INSTITUTIONALIZATION, DEVELOPMENT, TRAINING, ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF BASIC RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS (ROTC) IN GRADES 11 AND 12 IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7077, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'CITIZEN ARMED FORCE OR ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES RESERVIST ACT', AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9163, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR'"

By Representative Paduano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

### House Bill No. 3836, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTING MECHANISMS TO PROTECTTHE ELDERLY AGAINST ABUSE, EXPLOITATION AND ABANDONMENT OR NEGLECT, ESTABLISHING A HOME FOR THE ELDERLY IN EVERY REGION, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR ANY VIOLATION THEREOF AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Panotes

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

#### House Bill No. 3837, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A UNIFIED HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FUND AND A CENTRALIZED HOME FINANCING PROGRAM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7835, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE AND INTEGRATED SHELTER FINANCING ACT (CISFA) OF 1994'"

By Representative Romualdez (Ferdinand)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

# House Bill No. 3838, entitled:

"AN ACT INCREASING THE AUTHORIZED CAMPAIGN EXPENSES OF CANDIDATES AND POLITICAL PARTIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13 OF REPUBLICACT NO. 7166, ENTITLED, 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SYNCHRONIZED NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS AND FOR ELECTORAL REFORMS, APPROPRIATING THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'"

By Representative Oaminal

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

#### House Bill No. 3839, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A PRE-HOSPITAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, SUPERVISION AND REGULATION OF THE PRE-HOSPITAL EMERGENCY, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Cabochan TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

#### House Bill No. 3840, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS AND THE OFFICE OF AUTISM SERVICES"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATIONANDTHE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3841, entitled:

"AN ACT PROMOTING GOVERNMENT AGENCY PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 3842, entitled:

"ANACTESTABLISHINGAFARMMACHINERY MANUFACTURING PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3843, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING ONE-STOP ACTION CENTER FOR PURPOSES OF LAND REGISTRATION IN EVERY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3844, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE NUMBER OF DISORDERS INCLUDED IN THE NEWBORN SCREENING PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3845, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL LAND TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Cabochan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3846, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, 20, 22, 25, 27, 28, 34, 40, 50, 73, 112, 117, 119, 203, 204, 222, 237, 237-A, 255, 256, 257, 258, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 275, 282, 290 AND ADDING SECTIONS 6-AAND A NEW TITLE XIII UNDER THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Rodriguez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 3847, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL

SCHOLARSHIP AND RETURN SERVICE PROGRAM FOR DESERVING STUDENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3848, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PRIVATIZATION AND CORPORATIZATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES AND PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3849, entitled:

"ANACT REDUCING FOOD WASTE THROUGH FOOD DONATIONS AND FOOD WASTE RECYCLING"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 3850, entitled:

"AN ACT INTEGRATING LABOR EDUCATION INTO THE SOCIAL SCIENCE SUBJECTS IN THE HIGHER EDUCATION CURRICULUM"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3851, entitled:

"AN ACT INCREASING THE RECRUITMENT QUOTA REQUIREMENT OF FEMALE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) OFFICERS, AMENDING SECTION 58 OF REPUBLIC ACT 8551, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORMAND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998'"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3852, entitled:

"AN ACT ENCOURAGING VOLUNTEERISM DURING EMERGENCIES BY PROTECTING VOLUNTEERS FROM LIABILITY"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION

House Bill No. 3853, entitled:

"AN ACT ENCOURAGING CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY, PROVIDING INCENTIVES THEREFOR"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 3854, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GRADUATING ELEMENTARY, HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS TO PLANT AT LEAST TEN (10) TREES EACH AS A PREREQUISITE FOR GRADUATION"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION

House Bill No. 3855, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING THE PLANTING OF THE TREES FOR ANY CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL AND PUBLIC BUILDINGS"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REFORESTATION

House Bill No. 3856, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE EXEMPTION FROM THE PAYMENT OF TRAVEL TAX AND PROVIDING TRAVEL TAX DISCOUNT TO SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1183, AS AMENDED"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3857, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH HOME VISITATION PROGRAM"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3858, entitled:

"AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION (PCIC), REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1467, ENTITLED "CREATING THE 'PHILIPPINE CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION' PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND ACTIVITIES, PROVIDING FOR ITS CAPITALIZATION AND FOR THE

REQUIRED GOVERNMENT PREMIUM SUBSIDY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", AS AMENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1733 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 817"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 3859, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 12 OF EVERY YEAR AS THE NATIONAL YOUTH DAY"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3860, entitled:

"AN ACT PRESERVING THE INDIGENOUS GAMES OF THE PHILIPPINES"

By Representative Agabas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3861, entitled:

"AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE NATURAL RESOURCES, LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BANTAYAN, MADRIDEJOS, AND STA. FE, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 2151, 'DECLARING CERTAIN ISLANDS AND/OR PARTS OF THE COUNTRY AS WILDERNESS AREAS'"

By Representative Salimbangon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 3862, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGHWAYFROMBARANGAYLAVIGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF GOVERNOR GENEROSO TO BARANGAY DAWAN, CITY OF MATI, BOTH IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL, CONNECTING THE TIBANBAN – LAVIGAN NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD AND THE PRESIDENT DIOSDADO P. MACAPAGAL NATIONAL HIGHWAY, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3863, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL HIGHWAY FROM BARANGAY DON MARIANO MARCOS TO BARANGAY MACANGAO IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LUPON, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL, CONNECTING THE MATI-MARAGUSAN NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD AND THE PRESIDENT DIOSDADO P. MACAPAGAL NATIONAL HIGHWAY, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

#### House Bill No. 3864, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE PURPOSES AND APPLICATION OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION FUND, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 272 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

#### House Bill No. 3865, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES TO QUALIFIED STUDENTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

# House Bill No. 3866, entitled:

"AN ACT PROTECTING CONSUMERS FROM UNREASONABLE FEE INCREASES BY PROVIDING FOR A CONSUMER GROUP REPRESENTATION IN THE GOVERNING BOARDSOF GOVERNMENT REGULATORY BODIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THEIR RESPECTIVE CHARTERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

### House Bill No. 3867, entitled:

"AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS BOARD AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Bernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS

House Bill No. 3868, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING THE QUINALASAG GROUP OF ISLANDS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GARCHITORENA, AND THE LAMIT GROUP OF ISLANDS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAGONOY, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AS ECOTOURISM ZONES"

By Representative Fuentebella TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

#### House Bill No. 3869, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING THE BUTAWANAN ISLAND AND SIRUMA SOUTH COASTAL AREAIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SIRUMA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AS ECOTOURISM ZONE"

By Representative Fuentebella TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

#### House Bill No. 3870, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING COMPENSATION, MONETARY AND NON-MONETARY BENEFITS TO ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA AND OTHER BARANGAY VOLUNTEER WORKERS, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SEVERAL PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991'"

By Representative Lacson-Noel

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### House Bill No. 3871, entitled:

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR A STUDY AND FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS REGARDING CASES OF HEPATITIS C AMONG FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMEDICS, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS AND OTHER EMERGENCY RESPONSE EMPLOYEES"

By Representative Sy-Alvarado TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

# House Bill No. 3872, entitled:

"AN ACT STRENGTHENING NATIONAL SECURITY BY PROVIDING FOR THE ELECTRONIC SURVEILLANCE OF FOREIGN ENTITIES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS"

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY AND THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 3873, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING REMOTE TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE OUTPOSTS, STANDARDS FOR TRAUMA AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE AT TOURISM DESTINATIONS, AND THE APPLICABILITY OF INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CARE INSURANCE IN THE PHILIPPINES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Alonte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3874, entitled:

"AN ACT ABOLISHING THE TRAVEL TAX"

By Representative Garcia (Pablo John)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3875, entitled:

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF ANY FEE FOR THE FILING OF A COMPLAINT IN ANY CRIMINAL PROCEEDING BEFORE ANY COURT, TRIBUNAL OR QUASI-JUDICIAL BODY"

By Representative Garcia (Pablo John) TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3876, entitled:

"AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE INCOME REQUIREMENTS FOR THE CREATION OF A PROVINCE AND THE DECLARATION OF HIGHLY-URBANIZED STATUS IN THE CASE OF COMPONENT CITIES, AMENDING FOR THAT PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991'"

By Representative Garcia (Pablo John)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3877, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE LAKE LANAO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Balindong

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 3878, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF DON MARIANO PERALTA FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE ABAD SANTOS IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL"

By Representative Bautista-Bandigan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3879, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEN (10)-BED CAPACITY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY NUING IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE ABAD SANTOS, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS NUING COMMUNITY HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Bautista-Bandigan TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3880, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEN (10)-BED CAPACITY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY LAMIDAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DON MARCELINO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS LAMIDAN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Bautista-Bandigan TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3881, entitled:

"AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 18 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARIA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY"

By Representative Bautista-Bandigan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3882, entitled:

"ANACTUPGRADING THE MALITADISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MALITA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTALINTO ALEVELIII GENERAL HOSPITAL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE DAVAO OCCIDENTAL MEDICAL CENTER, UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM TWENTY-FIVE

(25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100), AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Bautista-Bandigan TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

#### House Bill No. 3883, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NO-HOMEWORK POLICY FOR ALL ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE COUNTRY"

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

# House Bill No. 3884, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING AN INDEPENDENT POLICY-MAKING, QUALITY ASSESSING, RESEARCH AND REGULATORY BODY FOR THE EDUCATION SYSTEM IN THE PHILIPPINES TO BE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE EDUCATION RESEARCH AND REGULATORY COMMISSION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Lacson

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

#### House Bill No. 3885, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER INTO PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICE IN EVERY PROVINCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6959 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Umali (Alfonso)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

# House Bill No. 3886, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING
THE REGULATION OF THE PET
INDUSTRY, THEREBY CREATING
THE PHILIPPINE PET INDUSTRY
REGULATION AGENCY, DEFINING
ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
PROVIDING FOR ITS PERSONNEL,
MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR ITS
ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Gasataya

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATIONANDTHE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 3887, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE REGIONAL ONE-STOP SHOP CENTERS FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS NATIONWIDE"

By Representative Ong (Ronnie)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

# House Bill No. 3888, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Tambunting

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

#### House Bill No. 3889, entitled:

"AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF DR. PAULINO J. GARCIA MEMORIAL RESEARCH AND MEDICAL CENTER IN CABANATUAN CITY, NUEVA ECIJA FROM FOUR HUNDRED (400) BEDS TO SIX HUNDRED (600) BEDS, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS PERSONNEL, UPGRADING ITS HOSPITAL FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Vergara
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

# House Bill No. 3890, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ENRIQUE B. MAGALONA, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Benitez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

#### House Bill No. 3891, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTRY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Benitez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3892, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OFFICIALS TO UNDERGO BASIC FIRST AID TRAINING"

By Representative Silverio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

# House Bill No. 3893, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE HOSPITALS, MEDICAL CENTERS, CLINICS, INFIRMARIES AND PUERICULTURE CENTERS TO GIVE FREE MEDICAL AND DENTAL ASSISTANCE TO INDIGENT CHILDREN"

By Representative Silverio
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

### House Bill No. 3894, entitled:

"AN ACT REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10912, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016'"

By Representative Silverio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

#### House Bill No. 3895, entitled:

"AN ACT PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE GUN OWNERSHIP BY STREAMLINING AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT'"

By Representative Cuaresma

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

#### House Bill No. 3896, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A HYBRID ELECTION SYSTEM THROUGH MANUAL VOTING AND COUNTING AND ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION AND CANVASSING OF RESULTS IN NATIONAL, LOCAL AND ARMM ELECTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

# House Bill No. 3897, entitled:

"AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMIC ZONE AUTHORITY (PEZA)

TO ACCELERATE COUNTRYSIDE DEVELOPMENT THROUGH ROBUST CREATION OF SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES IN RURAL AND NEW GROWTH AREAS, ENHANCING THE INCENTIVES THEREOF, AND AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7916, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8748, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE ACT OF 1995'"

By Representatives Matugas, Pimentel, Barbers, Plaza, Fortun, Bascug and Ecleo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

#### House Bill No. 3898, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE AND FREEPORT IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE ILOCOS SUR SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE AND FREEPORT AUTHORITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

#### RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 216, entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS, TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE KILLING OF LUMAD FARMER ALEX LACAY IN BRGY. SALAWAGAN, QUEZON, BUKIDNON AND ALL THE KILLINGS IN BUKIDNON"

By Representatives Cullamat, Zarate, Gaite, Brosas, Castro (France) and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### House Resolution No. 217, entitled:

"RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE POSSIBLE PRIVATIZATION OF POORLY-PERFORMING ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES IN QUEZON PROVINCE"

By Representative Suarez (Aleta)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 218, entitled:

"RESOLUTION OF THE MINORITY FOR THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATION ON THE ALLEGED OVERSTOCKING, UNUSED, EXPIRED MEDICINES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, WITH THE VIEW OF INSTITUTING FISCAL REFORMS WITHIN THE AGENCY, RELATIVE TO THE INVENTORY, USE, CONTROL AND DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICINE BY THE AGENCY"

By Representative Abante
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

### House Resolution No. 219, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, INAIDOFLEGISLATION, INTO THE PRODUCTION OF ERROR-FILLED LEARNING MATERIALS AND NON-DISTRIBUTION OF PROCURED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION"

By Representative Castelo TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### House Resolution No. 220, entitled:

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND GOOD GOVERNMENT TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE REPORTED FINDINGS BY THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME THAT THE PHILIPPINES HAS BECOME A HOTSPOT FOR FAKE MEDICINES"

By Representative Fernandez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

# House Resolution No. 221, entitled:

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON GAMING AND AMUSEMENTS AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT A JOINT INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ONTHE PROLIFERATION OF PHILIPPINE OFFSHORE GAMING OPERATORS OR POGOS, AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE FILIPINO PEOPLE, THE LOCAL ECONOMY AND NATIONAL SECURITY"

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

# House Resolution No. 222, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION COMMENDING TEAM PHILIPPINES LITTLE LEAGUE SENIOR SOFTBALL TEAM (GIRLS DIVISION) FOR CAPTURING THE BRONZE MEDALIN THE LITTLE LEAGUE SENIORS SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES 2019"

By Representative Silverio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

#### House Resolution No. 223, entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE DUTERTE ADMINISTRATION TO ENDORSE THE SAFE SCHOOLS DECLARATION"

By Representatives Elago, Castro (France), Zarate, Gaite, Cullamat and Brosas

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

#### House Resolution No. 224, entitled:

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 11203 OR THE RICE COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND (RCEF) LAW, TO DETERMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION BY THE DESIGNATED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES SO AS TO ENSURE THAT FUNDS ARE ALLOCATED FOR THE PURPOSE ACTUALLY INTENDED"

By Representative Savellano TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### House Resolution No. 225, entitled:

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, AS TO THE REPORTED FAILURE OF THE SUGAR REGULATORY ADMINISTRATION (SRA) IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 10659 OR THE SUGARCANE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2015 CAUSING ADVERSE EFFECTS TO THE SUGAR INDUSTRY IN GENERAL AND NOTABLY TO THE SMALL FARMERS AND WORKERS"

By Representative Savellano TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

# MALACAÑAN PALACE MANILA

August 8, 2019

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER and Members of the House of Representatives House of Representatives Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Section 27(1), Article VI of the 1987 Constitution, I am returning herewith without my signature the enrolled House Bill No. 7866, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (PUP) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALAUAN, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PUPCALAUAN CAMPUS, MANDATING IT TO OFFER GRADUATE, UNDERGRADUATE AND SHORT-TERM TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL COURSES THEREAT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

While I recognized the importance of passing legislation promoting free higher education. I am cognizant of the need to balance this with the prudent utilization of scarce government resources. I am of the belief that there is no pressing need to elevate the Calauan Campus to a state-funded university as there are already a number of private, state, and local colleges and universities in the Province of Laguna and nearby towns which offer the same undergraduate and graduate courses, such as the University of the Philippines in Los Baños, and the Laguna University in San Pablo. The rapid creation of new campuses of state universities and colleges (SUCs) also tends to adversely affect the quality of education provided in these institutions. It has been observed that new campuses rely only on contractual and part-time professors who mainly teach and are unable to produce quality research and extension projects.

Moreover, the Commission on Higher Education informs us that its recent leveling exercise for SUCs showed that the institutional performance of the PUP has slipped from Level III to Level II, and one of the main reasons is its rapid expansion of campuses through agreements with various local governments. Further, there is an impending concern on the implications of the influx of such proposals on the fiscal space of the government as these conversions to SUCs will inevitably

entail larger funding requirements for personnel, operations, facilities, and maintenance costs.

In view of these considerations, I am constrained to veto the above-mentioned Enrolled Bill.

Very truly yours,

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE President of the Philippines

Copy furnished:

Sen. Vicente C. Sotto III Senate President The Philippine Senate Pasay City

Sec. Adelino B. Sitoy Head Presidential Legislative Liaison Office 2/F New Executive Bldg. Malacañan, Manila

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

# MALACAÑAN PALACE MANILA

August 19, 2019

THE ALAN PETER S. CAYETANO Speaker House of Representatives Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Dear Speaker Cayetano:

In compliance with the President's constitutional duty, I have to honor to transmit to Congress, through the House of Representaives, the following budget documents:

- 1. President's Budget Message for FY 2020;
- 2. FY 2020 National Expenditures Program (Volumes I, II, and III);
- 3. FY 2020 Budget of Expenditures and Sources of Financing; and
  - 4. FY 2020 Staffing Summary.

Very truly yours,

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE President of the Philippines

Copy furnished:

Hon. Vicente C. Sotto III President Senate of the Philippines

Hon. Juan Edgardo M. Angara Chairman, Committee on Finance Senate of the Phiilippines

Hon. Isidro T. Ungab Chairman, Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Letter dated July 4, 2019 of Michael G. Aguinaldo, Chairperson, Commission on Audit, furnishing the House of Representatives copies of the 2018 Consolidated Annual Audit Report/Annual Audit Reports on the following national government agencies:
  - 1. Office of the Ombudsman;
  - 2. Commission on Human Rights;
  - 3. Presidential Electoral Tribunal;
  - 4. Senate Electoral Tribunal; and
  - 5. House of Representatives Electoral Tribunal. TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- Letter dated 12 July 2019 of Agnes VST Devanadera, Chairperson and CEO, Energy Regulatory Commission, forwarding to the House of Representatives a copy of the Commissions Accomplishment Report for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter May-June 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

- Letter dated 12 July 2019 of Elpidio J. Vega, Government Corporate Counsel, Department of Justice, transmitting the Agency Action Plan and Status of Implementation (AAPSI) for CY 2018. TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE
- Letter dated July 18, 2019 of Gen. Ricardo R. Visaya (Ret.), Administrator, National Irrigation Administration, submitting the CY 2019 Second Quarter Progress Report for Mindanao Sustainable Agrarian and Agriculture Development (MinSAAD) Project.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD
- Letter dated July 19, 2019 of Gen. Ricardo R. Visaya (Ret), Administrator, National Irrigation Administration, submitting the Second Quarter

Report of NIA CARP-Irrigation Component for CY 2019.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

- Letter dated July 22, 2019 of Engineer Romeo Q. Pateres, General Manager, Linamon Water District, submitting the Agency Action Plan and Status of Implementation (AAPSI) for CY 2018.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS
- 2018 GCG Annual Report of the Governance Commission for GOCCs per letter dated 23 July 2019 of Samuel G. Dagpin, Jr., Chairman, Michael P. Cloribel and Marites Cruz-Doral, Commissioners.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION
- Letter dated 30 July 2019 of Maria Anthonette Velasco-Allones, CESO I, Executive Director, Career Executive Service Board, submitting the Quarterly Physical Report of Operation of the CESB as of 30 June 2019.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
- Letters dated 30 July 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. 1042 dated 25 July 2019; and
  - 2. Memorandum No. M-2019-021 dated 23 July 2019
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES
- Letters dated August 5, 2019 of Janet B. Abuel, Officer-in-Charge, Department of Budget and Management, submitting to the House of Representatives the following reports:
  - Post Budget Report on FY 2018 Programs, Releases and Balances as of December 31, 2018; and
  - 2. Status of FY 2019 Budget, i.e., Programs, Releases and Balances as of June 30, 2019.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS
- 2018 Annual Audit Reports on the following State Universities:
  - Mindanao State University Naawan, Naawan, Misamis Oriental; and
  - 2. Mindanao State University Iligan Institute of Technology, Iligan City.
  - TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Letters dated 7 and 13 August 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. 1043 dated 02 August 2019;
- 2. Circular No. 1044 dated 06 August 2019;
- 3. Circular Letter No. CL-2019-053 dated 05 August 2019;
- 4. Circular Letter No. CL-2019-054 dated 01 August 2019; and
- 5. Circular Letter No. CL-2019-055 dated 29 July 2019.

# TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Resolution of the Sixth Division of the Sandiganbayan re Case No. SB-17-CRM-1490, including all attached documents.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. BARONDA. Mr. Speaker, the Hon. Josephine Ramirez-Sato would like to acknowledge the presence of her husband, Mr. William Sato, and company: Mr. Kako Usui and Ms. Mayumi Ishida.

Likewise, the Hon. Vincent Franco D. Frasco would like to acknowledge the presence of his visitors: Mayor Christina Garcia Frasco, his wife, the Mayor of Liloan, Cebu, and the President of the League of Municipalities of the Philippines, Cebu Chapter.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). May the guests please stand. Welcome to the House of Representatives. (Applause)

REP. ALONTE. Mr. Speaker, today, we would like to acknowledge the presence of a very special guest. He is a founding member of the international award-winning group, The Black Eyed Peas, a Filipino-American rapper, singer and producer, who was born and raised in Angeles, Pampanga.

In October 2015, Apl.de.ap Foundation International began its first House Care Program for Filipino children, called "Apl of My Eye," to address retinopathy of prematurity or ROP, a cause of childhood blindness among premature newborn babies in the Philippines.

On February 19, Apl.de.ap and his Foundation donated a second Retinal Imaging Camera System at the Jose B. Lingad Memorial Regional Hospital in San Fernando, Pampanga, his home province. It is one of the only two retinal cameras in the country outside of Metro Manila. Despite his successful career in the United States, he never forgets his roots and his kababayans.

This year, he has gladly accepted the invitation of the Philippine Southeast Asian Games Organizing Committee or PHISGOC to perform in the Opening Ceremony of the 30<sup>th</sup> SEA Games.

Let us all welcome to the House of Representatives, Mr. Allan Pineda Lindo or better known as Apl.de.ap.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). May we request the guest so named to please rise. (Applause) Welcome to the House of Representatives, Mr. Allan Pineda Lindo also known as Apl.de.ap. (Applause)

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. ALONTE. Mr. Speaker, I move that we suspend the session to allow the Members to greet our guests in the gallery.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is suspended.

It was 4:04 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:10 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, I move for the election of the following members to various Committees:

The Deputy Majority Leader, Rep. Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc, read the names of the House Members elected to the various Committees, per Journal No. 11, dated August 20, 2019.

# SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE

As Chairperson:

Rep. Edgar M. Chatto

Vice Chairpersons:

Rep. Romeo S. Momo Sr.

Rep. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya

Rep. Elisa "Olga" T. Kho

As members:

Rep. Alan "Aldu" R. Dujali

Rep. Geraldine B. Roman

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang

Rep. Leo Rafael M. Cueva

Rep. Yasser Alonto Balindong

Rep. Juliene "Jam" Baronda

Rep. Ed Christopher S. Go

#### **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

As Deputy Majority Leader: Rep. Camille A. Villar

As Assistant Majority Leader: Rep. Alfred C. Delos Santos

#### COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

As Vice Chairman:

Rep. Braeden John Q. Biron

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

As Vice Chairpersons:

Rep. Vincent Franco D. Frasco

Rep. Way Kurat Zamora

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move for a suspension of the session.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is suspended.

It was 4:13 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:39 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

# CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES AND COMMUNICATION

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, I move for the change of referral of the following House Bills and Communication:

- 1. House Bill No. 209, providing for the establishment of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in the city of Antipolo, province of Rizal, from the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and on Higher and Technical Education, to the Committee on Higher and Technical Education;
- 2. House Bill No. 846, separating Itaas Elementary School NBP Annex in Barangay Poblacion, city of Muntinlupa, Metro Manila from Itaas Elementary School, converting it into an independent elementary school to be known as Poblacion Elementary School, from the Committee on Revision of Laws, to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture; and
- 3. Letter dated June 4, 2019 of Police Brigadier General Gilberto Luiz T. Cruz, the Regional Director National Police Commission, Philippine National Police, Police Regional Office XIII, furnishing the House of Representatives with detailed accomplishments in the utilization of confidential and counter-intelligence funds for the months of January to June 2019 of Police Regional Office No. XIII of CARAGA, from the Committee on Appropriations to the Committee on Rules.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEE

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Majority, I move for the election of the following Members:

The Senior Deputy Majority Leader, Rep. Jesus Crispin C. Remulla, read the names of the House Members elected to the Committee, per Journal No. 11, dated August 20, 2019.

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

As members:

Rep. Eric Go Yap

Rep. Yasser Alonto Balindong

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, as a matter of information, on Tuesday, our next session day, we will resume the session at 5:00 in the afternoon given the fact that the Committee on Appropriations shall be meeting already and there will be four subcommittee meetings, one after the other starting at 9:00 in the morning until 4:30 in the afternoon. Therefore, the Speaker has decided to conduct the session starting at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday. That is a matter of information for all our Members.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the manifestation is duly noted.

REP. ATIENZA. Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. ATIENZA. Mr. Majority Leader, I move that we call the roll, considering that we do not seem to have the numbers on the floor anymore.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### ROLL CALL

REP. REMULLA. Mr. Speaker, we concur with the motion of the Honorable Atienza. I move that we call the roll.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General will please call the roll.

The Secretary General called the roll, and the result is reflected in Journal No. 11, dated August 20, 2019.\*

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. The Speaker is present.

The roll call shows that 185 Members responded to the call.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). With 185 responding to the call, the Chair declares the presence of a quorum.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. ATIENZA. Mr. Speaker.

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move that we recognize the esteemed Gentleman from Party-List BUHAY, the Hon. Jose "Lito" L. Atienza Jr.

REP. ATIENZA. Thank you, Mr. Majority Leader.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Honorable Atienza is recognized.

REP. ATIENZA. You are very kind. I would like to be kind tonight, your count is a bit off. You said 185 Members are on the floor, but I do not see that no matter how much we stretch our imagination. We would like to agree with you, but there are only 178 Members on the floor. We have a quorum, but you do not need to be intercalating the presence or non-presence of Members. Let us be honest about our roll call.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Majority Leader is recognized.

# NOMINAL VOTING ON H.B. NO. 1026 ON THIRD READING

REP. BONDOC. Mr. Speaker, I move that we vote on Third Reading on House Bill No. 1026 and direct the Secretary General to read the title of the measure, and call the roll for nominal voting.

I so move.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

Thereupon, the Secretary General read the title of the measure, printed copies of which were distributed to the Members on August 15, 2019, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the House Rules.

THE SECRETARY GENERAL. 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.

The Chair directed the Secretary General to call the roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a second roll call was made. The result of the voting on Third Reading\* on the aforesaid measure is reflected in Journal No. 11, dated August 20, 2019.

REP. ZARATE. Mr. Speaker, my vote is "No" and I will explain my vote later. Thank you.

#### RESULT OF THE VOTING

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The result shows 184 affirmative votes, 3 negative votes and 1 abstention.

House Bill No. 1026 is approved on Third Reading. (*Applause*)

#### **EXPLANATION OF VOTES**

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Secretary General is hereby directed to call the Members who earlier manifested on the floor that they wish to explain their votes.

#### REP. CASTRO (F.L.) EXPLAINS HER VOTE

REP. CASTRO (F.L.). Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Ang Kinatawan pong ito ay bumoto ng "No" dito sa batas na ito, dito sa proposed Bill na ito, dahil: una po, inamin na po natin na ito ay regressive tax na ang ibig sabihin ay magpapataw ng mas lalo pang buwis sa ating mahihirap na mamamayan; pangalawa po, tungkol doon sa health purposes, kung gusto po natin na sana ay maging healthy ang ating mga mamamayan, totally dapat ipagbawal natin ang paninigarilyo at pag-inom ng alak; pangatlo po, dito sa malilikom na buwis para po doon sa Universal Health Care Program, alam naman po natin na iyong PhilHealth ay batbat ng kurapsyon, so sa tingin po natin, dapat ito ay mabantayan; at pang-apat po, hindi po ito hiwalay, Mr. Speaker, sa tax packages katulad ng TRAIN 1 dahil nagkaroon nga po ng exemptions sa taxes pero babawiin naman po sa consumption tax, services and goods. So, ito po iyong dahilan, Mr. Speaker, kung bakit po ang Kinatawang ito ay bumoto ng "No."

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Honorable Zarate has five minutes to explain his vote.

#### REP. ZARATE EXPLAINS HIS VOTE

REP. ZARATE. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

"No" po ang boto ng Kinatawang ito sa panukalang pataasin ang excise taxes sa mga inuming may alkohol at ang heated cigarettes.

Habang ang tingin natin, G. Speaker, ay dapat lamang na pababain ang pagkonsumo ng alak at tabako para sa layuning maging mas malusog daw ang mamamayan, hindi dapat ang dagdag buwis ang magpapalusog sa mamamayang Pilipino.

Kung totoong nais ng ating pamahalaan na maging malusog ang taumbayan ay dapat dinadagdagan nito ang budget sa kalusugan at hindi ang budget katulad ng tokhang at pasismo. Kung ito ay nag-aalala sa pagkakasakit ng ating mga kababayan dahil sa alak at sigarilyo, ang tutugon dito, G. Speaker, ay nasa larangang medikal at suporta ng gobyerno sa mga programang pangkalusugan at hindi ang dagdag na buwis. Pangunahin, ang panukalang ito ay buwis na lubhang mas mabigat para sa ordinaryong mamamayan at hindi ito pangkalusugan.

Malaking bahagi ng buwis, sa katunayan G. Speaker, na makukuha mula rito ay mapupunta na naman sa PhilHealth. Ang PhilHealth ay maraming isyu sa kasalukuyan sa usapin ng kurapsyon tulad ng P1.447 billion na bonuses, allowances at iba pang financial rewards sa mga opisyales noong 2012, at nandiyan rin ang P247.88 million na unauthorized benefits mula 2009 to 2010. Kung totoong talagang para sa kalusugan ang ating pamahalaan, G. Speaker, dapat idinediretso na ang MOOE ng mga ospital mula sa pondo ng gobyerno upang direktang makinabang ang ating mamamayan.

Ang ating panawagan, G. Speaker, ay dagdag na pondo sa mga ospital. Ang boto ng BAYAN MUNA at hindi dagdag na buwis.

Maraming salamat, G. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The explanations of the Lady Representative and the Gentleman are duly noted.

# APPROVAL OF H.B. NO. 1026 ON THIRD READING

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). With 184 affirmative votes, 3 negative votes and 1 abstention, House Bill No. 1026 is approved on Third Reading. (Applause)

The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, I move that we recognize the honorable Sr. Minority Leader, the Hon. Janette 1. Garin, for the nomination and election of Members on behalf of the Minority.

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The honorable Sr. Minority Leader is recognized.

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Minority, I move that we elect the following Members to various Committees:

The Sr. Minority Leader, Rep. Janette I. Garin, read the names of the House Members elected to the various Committees, per Journal No. 11, dated August 20, 2019.

#### COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

As Senior Member:

Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

As member:

Rep. France L. Castro

#### COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

As Senior Member:

Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As member:

Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Speaker, may I move for a few minutes suspension of the session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is suspended.

It was 5:39 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:40 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

# ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES

Continuation

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Minority, we move for the election of the following Members to the various Committees:

# COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

As Senior Member: Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

As additional member: Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaite

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? (*Silence*) The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

#### SUSPENSION OF SESSION

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Speaker, may I ask for a few minutes suspension of the session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is suspended.

It was 5:41 p.m.

#### RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 5:48 p.m., the session was resumed.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is resumed.

The Minority Leader is recognized.

# ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES Continuation

REP. GARIN (J.). Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Minority, we move for the election of the following Members to the various Committees:

#### COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

As additional member: Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

# COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

As Senior Member:

Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

As additional member: Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaite

# COMMITTEE ON COOPERATIVES DEVELOPMENT

As Senior Member: Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

As additional member: Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

#### COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

As Senior Member:

Rep. Angelica Natasha Co

As additional member:

Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

#### COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

As Senior Member:

Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

As additional members:

Rep. Angelica Natasha Co

Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

#### COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYEMENT

As Senior Member:

Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

As members:

Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaite

Rep. Lawrence "Law" H. Fortun

Rep. Alex "AA" L. Advincula

I so move, Mr. Speaker.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, I would like to congratulate the Members of the Eighteenth Congress for the historical first Bill that was approved on Third Reading in today's session.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The Chair was informed by the Secretariat that there is a minor discrepancy in the votes as announced earlier. There are 184 affirmative votes, 2 negative votes and 1 abstention. The Secretariat is advised to make the necessary corrections.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, as I was saying, I would like to congratulate the Members of the Eighteenth Congress for passing the first Bill that was approved on Third Reading in today's session. With that, Mr. Speaker, I move that the Secretary General be directed to transmit House Bill No. 1026 to the Senate considering that we have approved it on Third Reading.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). Is there any objection? *(Silence)* The Chair hears none; the motion is approved.

The Secretary General is directed to transmit to the Senate House Bill No. 1026.

The Majority Leader is recognized.

REP. PALMA. Mr. Speaker, may we announce that there will be a Majority caucus tomorrow in SM Aura at 11:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. This is for the information of the Members involved, Mr. Speaker.

#### ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

REP. PALMA. With that, Mr. Speaker, I move that we adjourn the session until August 27 at five o'clock in the afternoon. To reiterate, it is at five o'clock in the afternoon, Tuesday, August 27, 2019.

THE DEPUTY SPEAKER (Rep. Marcoleta). The session is adjourned until August 27, 2019, at five o'clock in the afternoon.

It was 5:52 p.m.