Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Resolution No. 647



Introduced by Representative ERIC GO YAP

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)

WHEREAS, the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all;

WHEREAS, in 2015, the LRT-1 operations was turned over from the Light Rail Transit Authority (LRTA) and Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC) to Light Rail Management Corporation (LRMC);

WHEREAS, Light Rail Management Corporation (LRMC) is a consortium of the Ayala-led AC Infrastructure Holdings Corp., Pangilinan-owned Metro Pacific Investments Corp., and Australian firm Macquarie Infrastructure Holdings;

WHEREAS, Mr. Fernando Zobel de Ayala and Mr. Manuel V. Pangilinan, who were found to have key roles in LRMC operations, also chairs the water concessionaires – Manila Water and Maynilad, respectively – whose agreements are currently looked into in Congress for their alleged onerous contracts with the government;

WHEREAS, provided that this agreement will cover a 32-year period, the Gross Revenue Amount reported by LRMC in just four (4) years appears to be bigger than the Project Concession Fee, which may indicate an unjust and inequitable terms that may put the financial burden of the agreement to the government;

WHEREAS, there must be a review of such existing government contracts with private firms to ensure that these are primarily advantageous to the Filipino people;

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Philippines, 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).

Approved,

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