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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:24 p.m., the Senate President, Hon. Juan Ponce Enrile, called the session to order.

PRAYER

Sen. Ramon B. Revilla Jr. led the Body in prayer, to wit:

Heavenly Father, as we continue to perform our mandate, as we gather here in this august Chamber, we pray to You.

Give us peace of mind, as we seek the mistakes of the past, and as we seek forgiveness for making the mistakes;

Give us peace in our hearts,
So tensions will be eased
and issues will be resolved;

Give us strength,
To overcome our weaknesses
and the challenges that lie ahead
as we carry out our duties;

Give us wisdom,
To rightfully decide on what measures
to push for the betterment of the
Filipino people;

Enlighten us, in our quest for truth,
Guide us, in our pursuit for justice;
In these times of hatred and condemnation,
There's no hope lost, for to You,
Almighty, we entrust our fate.

Amen.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Senate Choir led the singing of the national anthem and thereafter rendered the song, entitled "*Pilipinas, Bayang Mahal.*"

ROLL CALL

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary of the Senate, Atty. Emma Lirio-Reyes, called the roll, to which the following senators responded:

Arroyo, J. P.	Legarda, L.
Cayetano, C. P. S.	Marcos Jr., F. R.
Drilon, F. M.	Osmeña III, S. R.
Ejercito Estrada, J.	Pangilinan, F. N.
Enrile, J. P.	Recto, R. G.
Escudero, F. J. G.	Revilla Jr., R. B.
Honasan, G. B.	Sotto III, V. C.
Lapid, M. L. M.	Zubiri, J. M. F.

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With 16 senators present, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum.

Senator Angara arrived after the roll call.

Senators Cayetano (A) and Villar were on official mission, the latter abroad.

Senator Defensor Santiago was on sick leave.

Senators Guingona and Lacson were absent.

Senator Trillanes was unable to attend the session as he was under detention.

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the Journal of Session No. 17 (September 1, 2010) and considered it approved.

At this juncture, Senate President Enrile relinquished the Chair to Senate President Pro Tempore Ejercito Estrada.

MANIFESTATION OF SENATOR MARCOS

Senator Marcos manifested that there were two bills pending before the Committee on Local Government, of which he is chairman, on the proposed postponement of the barangay and *Sangguniang Kabataan* elections in October, namely: Senate Bill No. 60, which was authored by Senator Zubiri; and Senate Bill No. 2377, which he authored.

Senator Marcos stated that the Committee conducted public consultations and hearings on the measures on August 16 and 23, 2010 which were attended by representatives from the Department of the Interior and Local Government, the Commission on Elections, the *Sangguniang Kabataan*, the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines, the League of Provinces, the League of Cities, the League of Municipalities and the *Liga ng mga Barangay*. He said that thorough deliberations were made on the legal, financial and political issues involving the proposed postponement of the barangay and SK elections, including the practicability of automation. He added that there were in-depth discussions on the various reasons and arguments for and against the proposal and its budgetary requirements, the proposed reorganization or abolition of the *Sangguniang Kabataan*, and the proposed

synchronization of the barangay and *Sangguniang Kabataan* elections with the national and local elections in 2013.

He disclosed that though the Committee on Local Government wanted to have the committee report drafted the soonest possible time in view of the urgency of the matter, the recent turn of events has proven that this was not the practical option to be taken.

Senator Marcos recalled that in a meeting with congressional leaders in Malacañang last August 24, President Aquino had decided that the barangay and the *Sangguniang Kabataan* elections would push through on October 25, 2010, and instructed the members of the House Majority to vote down any bill that would postpone the elections. He said that the Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms, which is the primary committee tasked to deliberate on similar bills at the House of Representatives, voted on August 25, 2010 to lay on the table all bills seeking to defer the holding of the elections in the country's 42,000 barangay units. This, he stated, has rendered moot all legislative actions on the proposal.

This considered, Senator Marcos recommended that Senate Bill Nos. 60 and 2377, the proposed draft of the committee report, and the copy of his recommendation to President Aquino to postpone the barangay and *Sangguniang Kabataan* elections scheduled on October 25, 2010 to October 2011 be archived for records purposes.

Senator Marcos clarified that his recommendation was made without prejudice to the continuing deliberations on the proposed reorganization of the *Sangguniang Kabataan* and the synchronization of the barangay and SK elections with the national and local elections in 2013.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE PRESENCE OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Senator Sotto acknowledged the presence in the gallery of political science students from the Catanduanes State College and Partidos State University headed by Ms. Josephine Torrente and Mr. Domingo Palero; and local officials from Legazpi City.

The Senate President Pro Tempore welcomed the guests to the Senate.

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INQUIRIES OF SENATOR ZUBIRI

To Senator Zubiri's concern that it would be more difficult to enact reforms on the *Sangguniang Kabataan* if elections would push through in October because the officials elected would have a full three-year term, Senator Marcos replied that there was no need to wait until the end of their term, citing his manifestation earlier that deliberations on the matter would continue. However, he noted that changes can only take effect after the elections in October 2010.

In the event that a majority of the Body came up with a proposal making the SK a member of the barangay council as a youth representative instead of a whole council on its own, Senator Zubiri asked whether this change would be implemented in 2013. Senator Marcos reiterated that the changes would take effect only after the coming October elections. He explained that he would rather not give a date as there is also a proposal to synchronize the SK and barangay elections with the national and local elections in 2013 to allow those elected in the October 25, 2010 elections a chance to serve out an entire three-year term.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Secretary of the Senate read the following bills which the Chair referred to the committees hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 1501, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR AN INTERIM CENSUS OF FILIPINOS RESIDING ABROAD AND TO REQUIRE THAT SUCH INDIVIDUALS BE INCLUDED IN REGULAR CENSUSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1502, entitled

AN ACT LIMITING THE EXPOSURE OF CHILDREN TO VIOLENT PROGRAMMING ON TELEVISION AND CABLE SYSTEMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

Senate Bill No. 1503, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF BETRAYAL OF DUTY IN THE CUSTODY OF PRISONERS, PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL RULES ON THE IMPRISONMENT, DETENTION, CONFINEMENT AND CUSTODY OF PRISONERS AND DETAINEES, SPECIFYING ADDITIONAL WORK AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL CHARGED WITH THE CUSTODY OF SUCH PRISONERS, AND STATING THE PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1504, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLE 867

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1505, entitled

AN ACT TO BAN EXPERIMENTS ON THE CLONING OF HUMAN BEINGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Science and Technology; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1506, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF DRUG REHABILITATION CENTER IN EVERY REGION

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OF THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1507, entitled

AN ACT CREATING THE CHARTER OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACADEMY (LGA), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990", AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1508, entitled

AN ACT GRANTING THE LOCAL *SANGGUNIANS*, EXCEPT THE *SANGGUNIANG BARANGAYS*, THE POWER TO CONDUCT INQUIRIES, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO ISSUE *SUBPOENA* AND TO PUNISH FOR CONTEMPT ANY PERSON WHO REFUSES TO OBEY SUCH PROCESS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 447, 458 AND 468 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1509, entitled

AN ACT TO COMBAT FINANCIAL FRAUD PERPETRATED AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1510, entitled

AN ACT TO UPGRADE THE POSITION OF SECRETARIES TO THE SANGGUNIANG AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 469 (A), OF CHAPTER 3, BOOK 3, TITLE 5, ARTICLE 1 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1511, entitled

AN ACT EMPOWERING THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS TO SCREEN AND RECOMMEND THE APPLICANTS TO TEACHING POSITIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1512, entitled

AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZING THE CRIMES OF RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND OFFERING A FALSE STATEMENT WHICH ENDANGERS THE PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1513, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE AGE FOR DETERMINING STATUTORY RAPE AND OTHER ACTS OF SEXUAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION TO PROVIDE STRONGER PROTECTION FOR CHILDREN AND AMENDING

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FOR THIS PURPOSE ACT NO. 3815,
AS AMENDED, ALSO KNOWN AS
THE PENAL CODE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Justice and Human
Rights; and Youth, Women and Family Relations**

Senate Bill No. 1514, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING EXECUTIVE
ORDER NO. 209 KNOWN AS THE
FAMILY CODE, ARTICLE III, TO
ALLOW EITHER SPOUSE TO
MORTGAGE, ENCUMBER, ALIENATE
OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF HIS
OR HER EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Youth, Women and
Family Relations; and Constitutional Amend-
ments, Revision of Codes and Laws**

Senate Bill No. 1515, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING WILLFUL
FAILURE TO PAY LEGAL CHILD
SUPPORT OBLIGATIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Youth, Women and
Family Relations**

Senate Bill No. 1516, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THAT ALCOHOLIC
BEVERAGES CARRY HEALTH
WARNINGS ON THEIR CONTAINERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Health and Demo-
graphy; and Trade and Commerce**

Senate Bill No. 1517, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE,
ISSUANCE, MANUFACTURE AND
SALE OF FALSE ACADEMIC
CREDENTIALS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; and Justice and Human Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1518, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM
TO HELP IMPROVE THE PHILIP-
PINE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM BY
PROVIDING GRANTS TO STATE
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
FOR THE INCLUSION OF AT LEAST
ONE YEAR OF EARLY EDUCATION
PRECEDING THE YEAR A CHILD
ENTERS KINDERGARTEN

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Education, Arts and
Culture**

Senate Bill No. 1519, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE USE OF
SAFETY DEVICES FOR CHILDREN
RIDING IN MOTOR VEHICLES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1520, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL
PROGRAM TO EXPAND OPPOR-
TUNITIES FOR FILIPINO STUDENTS
TO SERVE THEIR COMMUNI-
TIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; Youth, Women and Family Relations;
and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1521, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE MANUFAC-
TURERS OF COMPUTERS TO
PROVIDE RECOVERY AND
COLLECTION FACILITIES FOR
THEIR PRODUCTS

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Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce;
Environment and Natural Resources; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1522, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF GENETIC INFORMATION IN HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1523, entitled

AN ACT TO BAN THE USE OF FIRECRACKERS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Order and
Illegal Drugs; and Local Government**

Senate Bill No. 1524, entitled

AN ACT TO EVALUATE CERTAIN SKILLS CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Labor, Employment
and Human Resources Development; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1525, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6977, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MAGNA CARTA FOR SMALL ENTERPRISES AS AMENDED, TO PROMOTE COMPLIANCE AMONG SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Economic Affairs; and
Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies**

Senate Bill No. 1526, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SITING OF LANDFILLS/GARBAGE DUMPS NEAR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Environment and
Natural Resources; and Health and Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1527, entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7394 ALSO KNOWN AS THE CONSUMER ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES TO MAKE IT UNLAWFUL TO SELL A RECALLED PRODUCT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1528, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MANAGEMENT, CUSTODY, AND ACCESS TO PRESIDENTIAL RECORDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Information
and Mass Media; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1529, entitled

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A PROGRAM TO PREPARE TEACHERS FOR DIGITAL AGE LEARNERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1530, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE CONSORTIA TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO SUPERINTENDENTS, PRINCIPALS, AND

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PROSPECTIVE SUPERINTENDENTS
AND PRINCIPALS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1531, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE POSTING
OF SIGNS NEAR PRE-PACKAGED
SALADS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce;
and Health and Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1532, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PILOT
PROGRAM TO PROVIDE GRANTS
TO ENCOURAGE ELIGIBLE INSTITU-
TIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION
TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATE
PREGNANT AND PARENTING
STUDENT SERVICES OFFICES FOR
PREGNANT STUDENTS, PARENT-
ING STUDENTS, PROSPECTIVE
PARENTING STUDENTS WHO ARE
ANTICIPATING A BIRTH OR
ADOPTION, AND STUDENTS WHO
ARE PLACING OR HAVE PLACED
A CHILD FOR ADOPTION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; Youth, Women and Family Relations;
and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1533, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE
OF POWERED EQUIPMENT IN
RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Health and Demo-
graphy; and Urban Planning, Housing and
Resettlement**

Senate Bill No. 1534, entitled

AN ACT TO INCLUDE ENTRE-
PRENEURIAL AND FINANCIAL
LITERACY EDUCATION FOR
SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1535, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE TRANSPARENCY
AND ACCOUNTABILITY IN THE
LEGISLATIVE PROCESS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Finance; and Ways
and Means**

Senate Bill No. 1536, entitled

AN ACT TO INVEST IN INTERNET
TRAINING FOR THE WORKFORCE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Labor, Employment
and Human Resources Development; Local
Government; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1537, entitled

AN ACT PROTECTING THE CONFI-
DENTIALITY OF VICTIM'S AND
WITNESS' ADDRESS AND TELE-
PHONE NUMBER DURING A TRIAL
OR HEARING RELATED TO A
CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Justice and Human
Rights**

Senate Bill No. 1538, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT PROFITEER-
ING AND FRAUD RELATING TO
MILITARY ACTION, RELIEF, AND
RECONSTRUCTION EFFORTS, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on National Defense and Security

Senate Bill No. 1539, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1540, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ESTABLISH HEALTH PROGRAMS TO PREVENT VISION LOSS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1541, entitled

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF VIDEO GAMES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

Senate Bill No. 1542, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF POWERED EQUIPMENT IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement

Senate Bill No. 1543, entitled

AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1544, entitled

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT UNATTENDED CHILDREN IN MOTOR VEHICLES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1545, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF TRANS FATTY ACIDS IN FOOD FACILITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1546, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CURRICULUM FOR TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYEES ON EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1547, entitled

AN ACT TO PREVENT TOY-INFLICTED INJURIES AND DEATHS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Trade and Commerce

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Senate Bill No. 1548, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION TO PRESCRIBE RULES REQUIRING DISTINCTIVE MARKINGS ON TOY AND LOOK-ALIKE FIREARMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1549, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE DATING VIOLENCE EDUCATION IN THE PHYSICAL EDUCATION, HEALTH AND MUSIC (PEHM) CURRICULUM FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1550, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TEACHING RESIDENCY PROGRAM UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

The Deputy Secretary for Legislation, Atty. Edwin B. Bellen, read the following matters and the Chair made the corresponding referrals:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Senate Bill No. 1551, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR RECRUITING, SELECTING, TRAINING, AND SUPPORTING A NATIONAL

TEACHER CORPS IN UNDER-SERVED COMMUNITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1552, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING ACCESS TO INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO VARIOUS INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Cultural Communities; Science and Technology; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1553, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING QUALITY STANDARDS FOR MINERAL AND CARBONATED WATER

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; Trade and Commerce; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1554, entitled

AN ACT PRESCRIBING WORK ARRANGEMENTS BASED ON SECURITY OF TENURE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1555, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING HEARING-IMPAIRED AND SPEECH-IMPAIRED PERSONS ACCESS TO TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

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Senate Bill No. 1556, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING CELLULAR MOBILE PHONE PROVIDERS FROM CONVEYING UNSOUGHT SERVICES THAT ARE AUTOMATICALLY AND INVOLUNTARILY CHARGED AGAINST THE ACCOUNT OF SUBSCRIBERS, IMPOSING PENALTIES ON UNLAWFUL ACTS OF THE PROVIDERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1557, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DISPOSITION OF SMUGGLED SUGAR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 1558, entitled

AN ACT PUNISHING THE PILFERAGE OR THEFT OF ANY MATERIAL, MANUFACTURED, PRODUCED, OWNED OR BELONGING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRISES LOCATED IN SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONES PRODUCT, MERCHANDISE, ARTICLE, EQUIPMENT OR BY-PRODUCT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Economic Affairs; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1559, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; And Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1560, entitled

AN ACT TO ENSURE IMPROVED ACCOUNTABILITY OF ANIMAL EXPERIMENTATION PROGRAMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Science and Technology

Senate Bill No. 1561, entitled

AN ACT TO PUNISH TRANSMISSION OF INDECENT MATERIAL BY COMPUTER TO MINORS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1562, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL POLICY OF BASIC CONSUMER FAIR TREATMENT FOR AIRLINE PASSENGERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1563, entitled

AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR ELECTION OFFENSES ATTENDED BY VIOLENCE, COERCION, INTIMIDATION, FORCE OR THREATS AND FOR OTHER ELECTION OFFENSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes And Laws

Senate Bill No. 1564, entitled

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE SALE

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OR DISTRIBUTION OF MERCURY
THERMOMETERS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1565, entitled

AN ACT LIMITING THE CONSECUTIVE HOURS OF WORK BY NURSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1566, entitled

AN ACT PREVENTING THE MANUFACTURE OR IMPORTATION OF PRODUCTS WITH TOXIC AND HAZARDOUS PACKAGING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1567, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE HOSPITALS TO INSTALL CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION (CCTV) CAMERAS IN SELECTED PORTIONS OF THE HOSPITAL AND PENALIZING THE PUBLICATION OF THE VIDEO TAKEN BY THESE CAMERAS WITHOUT A COURT ORDER

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1568, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FAIR AND EQUITABLE TERMS FOR THE RELEASE OF MEDICAL PRACTI-

TIONERS' PROFESSIONAL FEES WITHHELD BY HOSPITALS OR MEDICAL CLINICS FOR FAILURE OF THE PATIENT TO PAY HOSPITAL BILLS AND PENALIZING VIOLATION THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Ways and Means

Senate Bill No. 1569, entitled

AN ACT PENALIZING THE UNSAFE STORAGE OF WEAPONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Public Order and Illegal Drugs

Senate Bill No. 1570, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS TO COMPLY WITH SANITATION STANDARDS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1571, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING INDUSTRIES ENGAGED IN THE EXPLOITATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO GIVE PREFERENTIAL EMPLOYMENT TO LOCAL RESIDENTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1572, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE MANUFACTURERS OR LABELERS OF

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**PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TO REPORT
THEIR ANNUAL MARKETING COSTS**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce;
and Health and Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1573, entitled

AN ACT INSTITUTING A COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM TO PREVENT AND ADDRESS SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS IMPLEMENTING A NATIONWIDE AWARENESS PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1574, entitled

AN ACT TO PROTECT WATER AQUIFERS WITH REGARD TO SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Local Government

Senate Bill No. 1575, entitled

AN ACT TO REGULATE CERTAIN CONDUCT BY SPORTS AGENTS RELATING TO THE SIGNING OF CONTRACTS WITH STUDENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Games, Amusement and Sports

Senate Bill No. 1576, entitled

AN ACT PERMITTING CERTAIN MINORS TO WORK AS VOLUNTEERS FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

**CONSTRUCTING AFFORDABLE
HOUSING**

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1577, entitled

AN ACT TO REQUIRE AN INDEPENDENT EVALUATION OF DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1578, entitled

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THROUGH THE NATIONAL MAPPING AND RESOURCE INFORMATION AUTHORITY, TO IDENTIFY THE LOW-LYING AREAS OF THE PHILIPPINE TERRITORY, VULNERABLE TO RISING SEA LEVELS AS A RESULT OF GLOBAL WARMING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Local Government; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1579, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL PROGRAM PROMOTING LIFELONG ACTIVE COMMUNITIES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health And Demography; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1580, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM

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TO AWARD INNOVATION PRIZES
TO INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES
FOR RESEARCHING AND DEVELOP-
ING INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Trade and Commerce;
and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1581, entitled

AN ACT ENCOURAGING THE
PRODUCTION OF PHILIPPINE
INDEPENDENT FILMS, PROVIDING
INCENTIVES TO FILMMAKERS
WHO ARE GIVEN HONORS IN
CREDIBLE INTERNATIONAL FILM
COMPETITIONS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Information
and Mass Media; Ways and Means; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1582, entitled

AN ACT TO PROTECT OUR SCHOOLS
FROM PESTICIDES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts and
Culture; and Health and Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1583, entitled

AN ACT TO AID AND SUPPORT
PEDIATRIC INVOLVEMENT IN
READING AND EDUCATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Education, Arts
and Culture; Health and Demography; and
Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1584, entitled

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE SECRETARY
OF TRANSPORTATION AND COM-
MUNICATIONS TO STUDY AND

ESTABLISH A MOTOR VEHICLE
SAFETY STANDARD THAT
PROVIDES FOR MEANS OF
ALERTING BLIND AND OTHER
PEDESTRIANS OF MOTOR
VEHICLE OPERATION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Public Services; and
Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1585, entitled

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIP-
PINE STANDARD TIME TO BE
OBSERVED IN ALL GOVERNMENT
OFFICES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Civil Service and
Government Reorganization; and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1586, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR OCEAN
ACIDIFICATION RESEARCH AND
MONITORING

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committees on Environment and
Natural Resources; Science and Technology;
and Finance**

Senate Bill No. 1587, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE POSTING
OF NUTRITIONAL CONTENT
INFORMATION IN MENU BOARDS
OF FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISH-
MENTS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

**To the Committee on Health and
Demography**

Senate Bill No. 1588, entitled

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH NUTRITION
STANDARDS FOR SCHOOLS

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Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1589, entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE A PILOT PROGRAM TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF GRADUATE EDUCATED NURSE FACULTY TO MEET THE FUTURE NEED FOR QUALIFIED NURSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1590, entitled

AN ACT TO REGULATE THE NOISE EMISSION OF MOTORCYCLES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Public Services; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1591, entitled

AN ACT TO CREATE A NATIONAL WRITING PROGRAM

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1592, entitled

AN ACT TO PROVIDE YOUTH SUICIDE EARLY INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION EXPANSION

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1593, entitled

AN ACT PROMOTING ORGAN DONATION AWARENESS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1594, entitled

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL COLLECTION OF DATA ON STILLBIRTHS IN A STANDARDIZED MANNER, PROVIDING FOR INFORMATION AND RESEARCH PROGRAM ON STILLBIRTHS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1595, entitled

AN ACT REQUIRING THE PROPER LABELING OF FOOD PRODUCED FROM THE USE OF FERTILIZER MADE FROM RECYCLED SEWAGE SLUDGE

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1596, entitled

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SALE OF TOYS AND OTHER ARTICLES CONTAINING PHTHALATES TO CHILDREN THREE YEARS OF AGE AND BELOW

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Health and Demography; and Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1597, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 218, ARTICLE 220 AND ARTICLE 223 OF THE FAMILY CODE TO PROHIBIT ALL FORMS OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1598, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TO IMPROVE THE LEADERSHIP CAPACITIES OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1599, entitled

AN ACT IN RELATION TO INJURIES SUSTAINED BY ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS PARTICIPATING IN SCHOOL SPORTS AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1600, entitled

AN ACT MANDATING EMPLOYEE AND PATIENT NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY HAZARDS IN HOSPITALS

Introduced by Senator Defensor Santiago

To the Committee on Health and Demography

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, the session was suspended.

It was 3:57 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:58 p.m., the session was resumed.

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the following senators were elected members of the oversight committees hereunder indicated:

Oversight Committee on Public Expenditures

Senator Drilon vice Senator Angara

Oversight Committee on Intelligence and Confidential Funds, Programs and Activities


Senator Sotto vice Senator Honasan
Senator Trillanes – additional member

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Upon motion of Senator Sotto, there being no objection, the Senate President Pro Tempore declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of the following day.

It was 3:59 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


EMMA LIRIO REYES
Secretary of the Senate

Approved on September 7, 2010