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SENATE BILLS

Senate Bill No. 1904

“AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF ECONOMIC ESPIONAGE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1905

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES AND REQUIRING DEBT COLLECTORS TO OBSERVE SUCH PRACTICES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 1906

“AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE THREE, BOOK FOUR, OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBERED TWO HUNDRED NINETY-TWO, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Justice and Human Rights; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes And Laws
Senate Bill No. 1907

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 8 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7353, ALSO KNOWN AS THE RURAL BANKS OF 1992”

➢ Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
➢ Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 1908

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PRIVACY PROTECTION COMMISSION”

➢ Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
➢ Referred to the Committee(s) on Justice and Human Rights; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1909

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 70 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1529 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PROPERTY REGISTRATION DECREE”

➢ Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
➢ Referred to the Committee Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1910

“AN ACT TO ALLOW EMPLOYEES TO TAKE SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT LEAVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ACADEMIC SCHOOL ACTIVITIES OF THEIR CHILDREN OR TO PARTICIPATE IN LITERACY TRAINING”

➢ Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
➢ Referred to the Committee(s) on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development
Senate Bill No. 1911

“AN ACT TO COMBAT ABUSE AND INCREASE PENALTIES FOR CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1912

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AT LEAST ONE (1) SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTER FOR EACH SCHOOL DIVISION AND AT LEAST THREE (3) SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTERS IN BIG SCHOOL DIVISIONS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, GUIDELINES FOR GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER INCENTIVES AND SUPPORT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts And Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1913

“AN ACT RATIONALIZING THE LAW AGAINST GAMBLING AND/OR BETTING BY PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES, FORFEITURE AND CONFISCATION PROVISIONS AND ESTABLISHING A PRIMA FACIE PRESUMPTION FOR VIOLATIONS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THESE PURPOSES PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1602”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Games, Amusement and Sports; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1914

“AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS IN LAND ADMINISTRATION”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
Senate Bill No. 1915

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLES 804, 805, 810 AND 811, PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF VIDEO TAPES OR OTHER SIMILAR VISUAL RECORDING DEVICE FOR TESTAMENTARY DISPOSITION OF THE ESTATE OF THE DECEDENT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1916

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY, AND TERTIARY SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA RESOURCES, TECHNOLOGY ENHANCEMENT, TRAINING, AND IMPROVEMENT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1917

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING LEGAL STANDARDS AND PROCEDURES FOR PRODUCT LIABILITY LITIGATION AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Justice and Human Rights; and Trade and Commerce
Senate Bill No. 1918

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

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1919

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 40 (D) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 ALSO KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AS AMENDED, ON DUAL ALLEGIANCE AS A DISQUALIFICATION FOR CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR ANY ELECTIVE LOCAL POSITION”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes And Laws

Senate Bill No. 1920

“AN ACT MANDATING CONCURRENCE TO INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS AND EXECUTIVE AGREEMENTS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations

Senate Bill No. 1921

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH HOME VISITING PROGRAM”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Youth, Women and Family Relations
Senate Bill No. 1922

“AN ACT ALLOWING MARRIED OR LEGALLY SEPARATED WOMEN TO USE THEIR MAIDEN NAME AND SURNAME, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE, ARTICLES 370 AND 372, AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 209 SERIES OF 1987, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE, ARTICLE 63”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1923

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MINIMUM CONTENTS OF A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT OF ELECTIONS TO THE PRESIDENT AND TO CONGRESS BY THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1924

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7394 ALSO KNOWN AS THE CONSUMER ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, ARTICLE 94”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1925

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS REGARDING THE QUALITY OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE AND TO MONITOR COMPLAINTS REGARDING SUCH SERVICE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
• Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Trade and Commerce

**Senate Bill No. 1926**

“AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AND PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT ON THE BASIS OF SEX, ETHNICITY, PHYSICAL CONDITION, RELIGIOUS BELIEF OR POLITICAL AFFILIATION IN CONNECTION WITH ADMISSION TO AN INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION PARTICIPATING IN ANY PROGRAM AUTHORIZED UNDER THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION”

• Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
• Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

**Senate Bill No. 1927**

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 32 OF R.A. NO. 7166 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 1991 SYNCHRONIZED ELECTION LAW”

• Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
• Referred to the Committee(s) on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs

**Senate Bill No. 1928**

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE COMMISSION ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN IN SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT”

• Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
• Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Science and Technology; and Finance
Senate Bill No. 1929

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL ABUSE AMONG HIGH RISK YOUTH”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1930

“AN ACT THAT REQUIRES ALL PROVIDERS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TO ESTABLISH AND CARRY OUT PLANS FOR PROCUREMENT FROM BUSINESSES OWNED BY MINORITIES AND WOMEN”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Cultural Communities

Senate Bill No. 1931

“AN ACT REQUIRING RETAIL STORES THAT PROVIDE PLASTIC BAGS TO CONSUMERS TO IMPLEMENT A PLASTIC BAG COLLECTION AND RECYCLING PROGRAM”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Environment and Natural Resources; Trade and Commerce; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1932

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AGRICULTURE WEATHER OFFICE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Science and Technology
Senate Bill No. 1933

“AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLES 333 AND 344, AND REPEALING ARTICLE 334, OF THE PENAL CODE, ELIMINATING GENDER BIAS IN ADULTERY AND CONCUBINAGE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1934

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR LOCAL AUTONOMY IN THE DETERMINATION OF STATE POLICY ON GAMBLING, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, SECTIONS 2, 27 AND 133 (O)”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; and Games, Amusement and Sports

Senate Bill No. 1935

“AN ACT IMPOSING HIGHER PENALTIES FOR VEHICULAR ACCIDENT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Services

Senate Bill No. 1936

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND A UNIFORM STRATEGY TO PROTECT WOMEN AGAINST VIOLENT CRIME”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance
Senate Bill No. 1937

“AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL WOMEN’S BUSINESS ENTERPRISES POLICY AND PRESCRIBING ARRANGEMENTS FOR DEVELOPING, COORDINATING AND IMPLEMENTING A NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR WOMEN’S ENTERPRISE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

Senate Bill No. 1938

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO GATHER INFORMATION ABOUT, STUDY, AND REPORT TO THE CONGRESS REGARDING, INCIDENTS OF ABANDONMENT OF INFANT CHILDREN”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

Senate Bill No. 1939

“AN ACT PENALIZING REFUSAL TO ENROLL STUDENTS, RELEASE CARDS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS FOR CLEARANCE PURPOSES, IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR FAILURE TO PAY MISCELLANEOUS AND OTHER FEES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1940

“AN ACT PENALIZING UNAUTHORIZED INTERCEPTION AND RECEPTION OF CABLE TELEVISION SERVICES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Justice and Human Rights

**Senate Bill No. 1941**

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT 7877, ALSO KNOWN AS THE ANTI-SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT, AS AMENDED, SECTION 7 ON THE PENALTIES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

**Senate Bill No. 1942**

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8485, ALSO KNOWN AS THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT OF 1998, SECTION 8 ON THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE ACT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Food

**Senate Bill No. 1943**

“AN ACT INCREASING THE MATERNITY BENEFITS OF WOMEN WORKERS IN GOVERNMENT AND IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

**Senate Bill No. 1944**

“AN ACT BANNING PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES FROM SMOKING WITHIN THE WORK PREMISES DURING OFFICIAL WORK HOURS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”
- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

**Senate Bill No. 1945**

“AN ACT REQUIRING PERSONS WHO MAY REGISTER AS VOTERS TO PRESENT ANY PROOF OF LEGAL RESIDENCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8189, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE VOTERS REGISTRATION ACT OF 1996 AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision Of Codes and Laws

**Senate Bill No. 1946**

“AN ACT PROVIDING MEASURES TO ENHANCE THE ACCEPTABILITY OF AGRICULTURAL LANDS AS SECURITY FOR LOANS OBTAINED FROM LENDERS, BANKS, AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS THEREBY PROMOTING ACCESS TO RURAL CREDIT, PROVIDING MECHANISMS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agrarian Reforms; and Justice and Human Rights

**Senate Bill No. 1947**

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDATORY PERIOD TO RELOCATE SQUATTERS, GRANTING DISTURBANCE FEES TO OWNERS OF ILLEGALLY OCCUPIED RESIDENTIAL LAND, AND PENALIZING VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Urban Planning, Housing And Resettlement; and Local Government
Senate Bill No. 1948

“AN ACT PROVIDING THE PROBATIONARY PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT OF ACADEMIC PERSONNEL IN PRIVATE SCHOOLS, THEREBY AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442 (AS AMENDED), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1949


- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; and Energy

Senate Bill No. 1950

“AN ACT MAINTAINING THE PRESENT PROVISION ON PROBATIONARY EMPLOYMENT INCREASING AT THE SAME TIME THE GOVERNMENT’S PROTECTION TO PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ART 281 OF THE LABOR CODE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development
Senate Bill No. 1951

“AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZING THE CRIME OF AGRI-BIOTERRORISM”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Justice and Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1952

“AN ACT TO DEFINE THE PARAMETERS OF RESPONSIBILITY OF AN EMPLOYER IN CASES OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE WORKPLACE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1953

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RIGHTS OF TAXI PASSENGERS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1954

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE CONCURRENCE OF THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARD ON THE ASSIGNMENT OF DIVISION SUPERINTENDENTS, DISTRICT SUPERVISORS, SCHOOL PRINCIPALS, AND OTHER SCHOOL OFFICIALS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 99, PARAGRAPH (D) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture; and Local Government
Senate Bill No. 1955

“AN ACT PROHIBITING CERTAIN CONDUCT RELATING TO THE USE OF HORSES FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Food

Senate Bill No. 1956

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE EVALUATION OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROGRAMS IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE RATE OF TEENAGE PREGNANCY”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1957

“AN ACT PRESCRIBING LABELING REQUIREMENTS FOR FOODS WHICH CONTAINS SATURATED FAT AND CHOLESTEROL”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

Senate Bill No. 1958

“AN ACT REQUIRING COVERAGE FOR THE TREATMENT OF INFERTILITY IN ANY GROUP HEALTH PLAN OR HEALTH INSURANCE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography
Senate Bill No. 1959

“AN ACT REQUIRING INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO DISCLOSE PARTICIPATION AND PROGRAM SUPPORT EXPENDITURES IN COLLEGE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1960

“AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 337 OF THE PENAL CODE, ELIMINATING GENDER BIAS IN QUALIFIED SEDUCTION AND INCREASING THE IMPOSABLE PENALTY”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

Senate Bill No. 1961

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE UNLAWFUL SALE AND PURCHASE OF DISSERTATIONS, THESSES, TERM PAPERS, ESSAYS, REPORTS, OR ANY OTHER ASSIGNMENT”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

Senate Bill No. 1962

“AN ACT PENALIZING RACKETEERS AND CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES, PROHIBITING SUCH CRIMINAL ENTERPRISES AND RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS FROM INFILTRATING, CONTROLLING OR OTHERWISE INFLUENCING PHILIPPINE COMMERCE”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
Senate Bill No. 1963

“AN ACT TO REGULATE THE UNAUTHORIZED INSTALLATION OF COMPUTER SOFTWARE AND TO REQUIRE THE CLEAR DISCLOSURE TO COMPUTER USERS OF CERTAIN COMPUTER SOFTWARE FEATURES THAT MAY POSE A THREAT TO USER PRIVACY”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Science and Technology

Senate Bill No. 1964

“AN ACT TO ASSURE MEANINGFUL DISCLOSURES OF THE TERMS OF RENTAL PURCHASE AGREEMENTS, INCLUDING DISCLOSURES OF ALL COSTS TO CONSUMERS UNDER SUCH AGREEMENTS AND TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SUBSTANTIVE RIGHTS TO CONSUMERS UNDER SUCH AGREEMENTS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

Senate Bill No. 1965

“AN ACT PROVIDING GRANTS TO PUBLIC EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN ORDER TO ALLOW SUCH INSTITUTIONS TO PROMOTE EDUCATION INITIATIVES”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1966

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL CENTER FOR INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RELATING TO ALL TYPES OF FAMILY RESOURCE AND SUPPORT PROGRAMS”
Governor’s Note

The Governor has noted the following Senate Bills:

Senate Bill No. 1967

“AN ACT PROHIBITING PUBLIC OFFICERS FROM CLAIMING CREDIT THROUGH SIGNAGE ANNOUNCING A PUBLIC WORKS PROJECT”

Senate Bill No. 1968

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH JOB TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MATURE OR OLDER WORKERS”

Senate Bill No. 1969

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 4 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 968, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PROBATION LAW OF 1976, AS AMENDED, ON THE GRANT OF PROBATION”

Senate Bill No. 1970

“AN ACT creating the PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS WORKERS BANK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Ways and Means

**Senate Bill No. 1971**

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO ACCREDITED BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7883 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Local Government

**Senate Bill No. 1972**

“AN ACT PROMOTING THE AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES MECHANIZATION DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRY”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; Science and Technology; Ways And Means; and Finance

**Senate Bill No. 1973**

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6971 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE PRODUCTIVITY INCENTIVES ACT OF 1990” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Ways and Means
Senate Bill No. 1974

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7880. OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE FAIR” AND EQUITABLE ALLOCATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS’ BUDGET FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1975

“AN ACT PROVIDING A MAGNA CARTA OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT WORKERS”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1976

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL HOSPITAL FOR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWS) AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment And Human Resources Development; Health And Demography; Ways And Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1977

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE PROHIBITED ACTS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN ON ACCOUNT OF SEX, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 135 AND 137 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”
- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Youth, Women and Family Relations

**Senate Bill No. 1978**

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BOOKS FOR THE BARRIOS PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; Local Government; and Finance

**Senate Bill No. 1979**

“AN ACT GIVING INDIGENT BUT GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEVELOP THEIR CAPABILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

**Senate Bill No. 1980**

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR STIFFER PENALTIES FOR CRIMES RELATING TO FIREARMS AND LIGHT WEAPONS, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1866, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8294, AND FOR RELEVANT PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Justice and Human Rights
Senate Bill No. 1981

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A P125.00 DAILY ACROSS-THE-BOARD INCREASE IN THE SALARY RATES OF EMPLOYEES AND WORKERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

Senate Bill No. 1982

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 91 AND 97 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8550, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998, AND PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Environment and Natural Resources

Senate Bill No. 1983

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STRATEGIC FOOD SECURITY RICE RESERVE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1984

“AN ACT GRANTING MATERNITY LEAVE BENEFITS TO UNMARRIED PREGNANT WOMEN WHO ARE IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization
Senate Bill No. 1985

“AN ACT REORGANIZING AND RENAMING THE PHILIPPINE RETIREMENT PARK SYSTEM, ENLARGING ITS POWERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Tourism; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1986

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8187, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PATERNITY LEAVE ACT OF 1996”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment And Human Resources Development; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization

Senate Bill No. 1987

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 212 AND 214 OF REPUBLIC ACT 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; and Ways And Means

Senate Bill No. 1988

“AN ACT DEFINING AS A CRIME THE ACT OF DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL AND/OR PROHIBITED DRUGS AND SUBSTANCES AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Justice of Human Rights; and Public Services
Senate Bill No. 1989

“AN ACT CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES, PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1990

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF THE WORD ‘MUSLIM’ OR ‘ISLAMIC’ IN PRINT, RADIO, TELEVISION INCLUDING CABLE TELEVISION AND OTHER FORMS OF BROADCAST MEDIA TO REER TO OR DESCRIBE ANY PERSON SUSPECTED OR CONVICTED OF A CRIME OR UNLAWFUL ACT AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

Senate Bill No. 1991

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE PHILIPPINE HALAL SYSTEM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE HALAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AND CONVERTING THE SAME INTO A BOARD AFTER THE TRANSITION PERIOD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; Trade and Commerce; and Finance
Senate Bill No. 1992

“AN ACT AMENDING SOME PROVISIONS OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1460, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1978 BY PRESCRIBING A CRIMINAL PENALTY UPON ANY PERSON FOR REFUSING TO SETTLE ANY CLAIM FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE FOR WHICH AN INSURER MAY BE LIABLE WITHIN THE PERIOD PRESCRIBED BY THE CODE”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

Senate Bill No. 1993

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CENTER FOR ANIMAL VACCINE AND DISEASE DIAGNOSTIC RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1994

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INTEGRATED SYSTEM FOR AGRICULTURE TECHNOLOGY GENERATION AND TRANSFER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1995

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CAREER EXECUTIVE SYSTEM”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Senate Bill No. 1996

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 5, AND 7 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7900, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE HIGH VALUE CROPS DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1995 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Agrarian Reform

Senate Bill No. 1997

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7659, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZING THE CRIME OF PLUNDER”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Constitutional Amendments, Revision Of Codes and Laws; and Justice And Human Rights

Senate Bill No. 1998

“AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL STUDENT LOAN BOARD TO IMPLEMENT A NATIONAL STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM FOR THE POOR, DEFINING ITS IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES, RULES AND REGULATIONS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts And Culture; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 1999

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO AT LEAST FIVE PERCENT
(5%) OF THEIR STUDENT POPULATION WHO ARE POOR BUT DESERVING STUDENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts And Culture

**Senate Bill No. 2000**

“AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 2260 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision Of Codes and Laws

**Senate Bill No. 2001**

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 385 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1460, AS AMENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1455, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INSURANCE CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

**Senate Bill No. 2002**

“AN ACT REVISING THE SCHOOL CALENDAR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 24, CHAPTER 9, TITLE VI, BOOK IV OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 22, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts And Culture
Senate Bill No. 2003

“AN ACT TO INTEGRATE A COMPUTER EDUCATION PROGRAM INTO THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts And Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 2004

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF PARENTS ASSOCIATIONS AND CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL PARENT COUNCIL”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; Local Government; Ways and Means; and Finance

Senate Bill No. 2005

“AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL INSURANCE BENEFITS TO ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ITS PREMIUMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator Ramon “Bong” Revilla, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance
PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Proposed Senate Bill No. 192

“RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE STATE OF PROGRAMS AND EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT ON THE CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION OF PHILIPPINE EAGLE (PITHECOPHAGA JEFFERYL), WITH THE END IN VIEW OF STRENGTHENING THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE SECTOR PARTNERSHIPS TO HELP SAVE THE NATIONAL BIRD”

- Introduced by Senator Manny Villar
- Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Bill No. 193

“RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE THE FEASIBILITY OF MAINTAINING ECO-PRECINCTS IN MAJOR ECO-TOURISM AREAS, NATIONAL HERITAGE SITES, MAJOR RIVERS OR ENVIRONMENTAL SITES IN THE COUNTRY, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INSTITUTIONALIZING AND STRENGTHENING THE BRIGADE OF RIVER WARRIORS AND ECO POLICE”

- Introduced by Senator Manny Villar
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Environment and Natural Resources

Proposed Senate Bill No. 194

“RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE LARGER APPLICATION OF THE BUS RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEM AS A MEANS TO DECONGEST METRO MANILA TRAFFIC
AND ULTIMATELY IMPROVE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION IN THE COUNTRY”

- Introduced by Senator Manny Villar
- Referred to the Committee on Public Services

Proposed Senate Bill No. 195

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO REDUCE THE HUNGER INCIDENCE IN THE COUNTRY AND ACHIEVE THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Social Justice, Welfare And Rural Development; and Foreign Relations

Proposed Senate Bill No. 196

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NEED FOR CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT ON THE ROAD USERS FUND AND TO CREATE MEASURES THAT WILL ENSURE TRANSPARENCY IN THE SELECTION OF PROJECTS TO WHICH THE FUND SHALL BE ALLOCATED”

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Finance; and Ways and Means

Proposed Senate Bill No. 197

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED DEFICIENCY OF RESTROOMS AND TOILETS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS”
Proposed Senate Bill No. 198

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS AND THE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES TOWARDS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS VERSUS THE PROGRESS OF OTHER COUNTRY-SIGNATORIES IN THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS AND OTHER COUNTRIES WORLDWIDE AND THE IMPORTANCE OF IMPLEMENTING DISASTER RISK REDUCTION MEASURES IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THE COUNTRY’S ACCOMPLISHMENTS”

Proposed Senate Bill No. 199

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND RECOMMENDING FILIPINO POOL LEGEND EFREN ‘THE MAGICIAN’ REYES FOR WINNING THE 10TH ANNUAL PREDATOR INTERNATIONAL 10-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP HELD ON 15-18 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT THE BLOCK IN SM NORTH EDSA, QUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES”

Proposed Senate Bill No. 200

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO POOL PLAYER LEE VAN ‘THE SLAYER’ CORTEZA FOR WINNING THE PREDATOR WORLD 10-BALL TOUR TITLE ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT THE BLOCK IN SM NORTH EDSA, QUEZON CITY, PHILIPPINES”
Proposed Senate Bill No. 201

“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE DELEGATION FOR WINNING THREE GOLD, ONE SILVER AND FOUR BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 1ST SOUTHEAST ASIAN TRIBAL OLYMPICS IN THE MOUNTAINS OF NANUK RAGANG IN RANAO, KOTA KINABALU IN MALAYSIA HELD FROM 14-16 SEPTEMBER 2010”

Proposed Senate Bill No. 202

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