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# 1<sup>st</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 15<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS

## BILLS ON FIRST READING

**SBN 2549** "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"

- *Introduced by Senator Jinggoy Ejercito-Estrada*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 2550** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA FOR ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES PERSONNEL"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance*

**SBN 2551** "AN ACT REMOVING THE ALLOWABLE SYSTEMS LOSS FROM PRIVATE UTILITY COMPANIES AND REDUCING THE CAP RECOVERABLE SYSTEM LOSSES OF RURAL ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES FROM FOURTEEN PERCENT (14%) TO FIVE PERCENT (5%) AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7832, AS AMENDED BY SECTION 43(F) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9136, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9337, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Services; Energy; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 2552** "AN ACT INSTILLING FISCAL DISCIPLINE IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR BY SPECIFYING PRINCIPLES OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND PROMOTING FULL TRANSPARENCY AND

ACCOUNTABILITY IN GOVERNMENT REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND BORROWING PROGRAMS”

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Finance; Economic Affairs; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 2553** “AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293 ENTITLED AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE AND ESTABLISHING THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE, PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Trade and Commerce; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws*

**SBN 2554** “AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ACCESS OF MINORS TO ALCOHOL AND PENALIZING ESTABLISHMENTS THAT FURNISH ALCOHOL TO MINORS”

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance*

**SBN 2555** “AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO THE HOMELESS”

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement; and Finance*

**SBN 2556** “AN ACT PROVIDING GRANTS TO ESTABLISH OBESITY TREATMENT TRAINING FOR HEALTH PRACTITIONERS”

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography*

**SBN 2557** “AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A PROGRAM FOR THE VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT, VERIFICATION, AND STANDARDIZED LABELING OF THE CARBON FOOTPRINT OF CONSUMER PRODUCTS”

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Trade and Commerce*

**SBN 2558** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PEOPLE'S SURVIVAL FUND TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM FINANCE STREAMS TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF CLIMATE CHANGE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9729, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CLIMATE CHANGE ACT OF 2009, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Ponce Enrile*
- *Referred to the Committees on Climate Change; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 2559** "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MARCUS EUGENE DOUTHIT"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 2560** "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"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 2561** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDATORY NATIONWIDE CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM IN ALL PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS AND BARANGAY DAY CARE CENTERS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 2562** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE WORKERS COMPENSATION PROGRAM, THE WORK CONTINGENCY INSURANCE FUND, THE PHILIPPINE WORKERS COMPENSATION AUTHORITY AND DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE

ARTICLES 166 TO 288-A OF TITLE 2 BOOK IV OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES,' AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 2563** "AN ACT TO FURTHER EXTEND ASSISTANCE TO SOLO PARENTS AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ACT OF 2000"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development*

**SBN 2564** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO UNDERPRIVILEGED TERTIARY STUDENTS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 2565** "AN ACT REPEALING ARTICLE 247 OF ACT NO. 3815, ALSO KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE, ON DEATH OR PHYSICAL INJURIES INFLICTED UNDER EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws*

**SBN 2566** "AN ACT TO PROMOTE FINANCIAL VIABILITY AND FISCAL DISCIPLINE IN GOVERNMENT-OWNED OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND TO STRENGTHEN THE ROLE OF THE STATE IN ITS GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT TO MAKE THEM MORE RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF PUBLIC INTEREST AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Franklin M. Drilon and Edgardo J. Angara*
- *Referred to the Committees on Finance; and Government Corporations and Public Enterprises*

## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

**SCR 3** "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN PROCLAMATION NO. 50 OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DATED 11 OCTOBER 2010 ENTITLED: GRANTING AMNESTY TO ACTIVE AND FORMER PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THEIR SUPPORTERS WHO MAY HAVE COMMITTED ACTS OR OMISSIONS PUNISHABLE UNDER THE REVISED PENAL CODE, THE ARTICLES OF WAR OR OTHER SPECIAL LAWS COMMITTED IN CONNECTION WITH OAKWOOD MUTINY, THE MARINES STAND-OFF AND THE MANILA PEN INCIDENT AND RELATED INCIDENTS"

- *Sponsored by Senator Vicente Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Peace, Unification and Reconciliation; and Peace*

## PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

**PSRN 218** "RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO DETERMINE WHETHER SENATE CONCURRENCE IN THE RATIFICATION OF INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION CONVENTION NO. 169, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INDIGENOUS AND TRIBAL PEOPLE'S CONVENTION, 1989, TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION ITS BENEFITS AND LEGAL, SOCIAL AND POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS GIVEN THE PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES AND THE EXISTING INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S RIGHTS ACT, WOULD SERVE THE INTERESTS OF OUR COUNTRY"

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Foreign Relations; and Cultural Communities*

**PSRN 219** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PREPAREDNESS OF THE GOVERNMENT, PARTICULARLY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, TO THWART THE OCCURRENCE OF NEW DELHI METALLO-B-LACTAMASE-1 (NDM-1) IN THE COUNTRY AND TO CONTAIN AND MINIMIZE THE HEALTH RISK IT MAY CAUSE TO THE CITIZENS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography*

**PSRN 220** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FEASIBILITY OF BANNING HIGH SULFUR DIESEL IN THE LIGHT OF WORSENING AIR QUALITY IN METRO MANILA"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Health and Demography*

**PSRN 221** "RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES TO REVIEW, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE EXISTING STATUTES, POLICIES AND JURISPRUDENCE REGARDING CREDIT CARD INTEREST RATES AND PENALTIES"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Trade and Commerce*

**PSRN 222** "RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEES ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS, PUBLIC ORDER AND ILLEGAL DRUGS, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, OF THE WANTON DISREGARD OF THE ANTI-HAZING LAW AND THE SAID LAW'S APPARENT FAILURE TO PREVENT THE DEATHS AND PHYSICAL INJURIES OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ALIKE"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Public Order and Illegal Drugs*



**PSRN 223** "RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE RED CROSS IN ALLEVIATING HUMAN SUFFERING IN ITS HUMANITARIAN COOPERATION AND PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HONG KONG RED CROSS DURING THE QUIRINO GRANDSTAND BUS HOSTAGE CRISIS AND ITS AFTERMATH"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 224** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; AND CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION TO REVISIT REPUBLIC ACT 9298 OR THE PHILIPPINE ACCOUNTANCY ACT OF 2004, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ADDRESSING THE SHORTAGE OF ACCOUNTANTS IN THE COUNTRY CITING RECENT REPORTS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN LEAVING THE COUNTRY IN DROVES TO WORK ABROAD"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Civil Service and Government Reorganization*

**PSRN 225** "RESOLUTION COMMENDING FORMER KOREAN AMBASSADOR JOONG-KYUNG CHOI FOR HIS EFFORTS IN STRENGTHENING TIES BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA"

- *Introduced by Senators Edgardo J. Angara, Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, Gregorio B. Honasan II, Loren B. Legarda, Ferdinand "Bongbong" R. Marcos, Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada and Vicente Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 226** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE NON-IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9003, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ECOLOGICAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2000', PARTICULARLY THE PROVISIONS ON THE COLLECTION OF MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROTECTING THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF OUR MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTORS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid*

- *Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources*

**PSRN 227** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES IN THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD (LTFRB) TAXI METER RECEIPT SCHEME IMPLEMENTATION, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROTECTING THE COMMUTING PUBLIC AGAINST FAST AND RIGGED TAXI METERS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid*
- *Referred to the Committee on Public Services*

**PSRN 228** "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF THE PHILIPPINE SENATE ON THE DEATH OF FORMER SUPREME COURT ASSOCIATE JUSTICE ABRAHAM F. SARMIENTO SR."

- *Introduced by Senators Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero, Joker P. Arroyo, Alan Peter S. Cayetano, Franklin M. Drilon, Jinggoy Ejercito-Estrada, Juan Ponce Enrile, Teofisto "Tg" Guingona III, Gregorio B. Honasan II, Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid, Loren B. Legarda, Sergio R. Osmeña III, Ralph G. Recto, Ramon A. Revilla Jr., Vicente C. Sotto III, Manny Villar and Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 229** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES AND OTHER PERTINENT COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALLEGED INEFFICIENCIES AND IRREGULARITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE AND INSURANCE SYSTEM"

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations; and Government Corporations and Public Enterprises*

**PSRN 230** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF POLICY IN STRATEGIC AREAS OF PHILIPPINE

FOREIGN RELATIONS, TOWARDS AN ENHANCED DIPLOMATIC, ECONOMIC AND SECURITY ENGAGEMENT WITH OTHER NATIONS AND EFFECTIVE ADHERENCE TO INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS”

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Foreign Relations; and National Defense and Security*

**PSRN 231** “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO KICKBOXING CHAMPION STEVE ‘THE RED KNIGHT’ GRANDEZA FOR EMERGING VICTORIOUS AT THE K1 WORLD KICKBOXING FEDERATION SUPER WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD IN DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ON 1 OCTOBER 2010”

- *Introduced by Senator Manuel “Lito” M. Lapid*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 232** “RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND COMMERCE AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE/S TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROLIFERATION OF ALMOST REAL-LIFE TOY GUNS OR REPLICAS AND SIMILAR GOODS IN THE LOCAL MARKET WITH THE END-IN-VIEW OF TIGHTENING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RELEVANT LAWS AND FORMULATING REMEDIAL MEASURES GEARED AT PROTECTING FILIPINO CONSUMERS AGAINST HAZARDS TO HEALTH AND SAFETY”

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Trade and Commerce*

**PSRN 233** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS, JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS AND YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED INCREASING NUMBER OF RAPE AND ABUSE CASES PERPETRATED AGAINST OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS, WITH THE END IN VIEW THAT THE PROPER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES PROMULGATE POLICIES AND PROGRAM THAT WILL MEANINGFULLY ADDRESS THE SORROWFUL PLIGHT OF OUR WORKERS ABROAD”

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Foreign Relations*

**PSRN 234** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COUNTRY'S TEXTILE AND GARMENTS SECTOR VIS-A-VIS THE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT ACCORDED TO PHILIPPINE-MADE APPARELS AS PROVIDED IN THE SAVE OUR INDUSTRIES (SAVE) ACT OF THE UNITED STATES WITH THE OBJECTIVES OF INCREASING TRADE, ENHANCING JOB GENERATION AND MAXIMIZING THE FULL POTENTIALS OF THE INDUSTRY"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce*

**PSRN 235** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED NEED TO REVIEW AND RECOMMEND CHANGES IN THE WATER DISCHARGE PROTOCOL OF DAMS IN THE COUNTRY"

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Works; and Environment and Natural Resources*

**PSRN 236** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON ENSURING THE COUNTRY'S FOOD SECURITY AND SUFFICIENCY IN LIGHT OF THE NEGATIVE FOOD PRODUCTION OUTPUT FOR 2009 DUE TO SEVERE DAMAGES INFLICTED BY TROPICAL STORMS"

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

**PSRN 237** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE INCREASING NUMBER OF LABOR AND HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES SUFFERED BY FILIPINO DOMESTIC WORKERS IN KUWAIT"

- *Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Foreign Relations*

**PSRN 238** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY TO INQUIRE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF THE PHILIPPINES IN ATTAINING THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS SPECIFICALLY ON REDUCING CHILD MORTALITY, IMPROVING MATERNAL HEALTH, AND ERADICATING HIV/AIDS, MALARIA, AND OTHER DISEASES"

- *Introduced by Senator Pia S. Cayetano*
- *Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography*

**PSRN 239** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE FEASIBILITY OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES UTILIZING E-CARS FOR PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT, FOR SAVING FUEL, AND FOR USING OUR OWN, PINOY-MADE VEHICLES"

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

**PSRN 240** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE TO LOOK INTO THE ALLEGED REPORTS OF ILLEGAL LOGGING AND TRANSPORT OF LOGS FROM THE SIERRA MADRE MOUNTAINS WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PREVENTING THE SAME AND PRESERVING THE REMAINING FOREST COVER OF THE SAID MOUNTAIN RANGE"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; and Climate Change*

**PSRN 241** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS AND THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE INCREASING INCIDENCE OF CRIMES AND VIOLATIONS RESULTING FROM SOCIAL NETWORKING SITES LIKE FACEBOOK, FRIENDSTER, TWITTER AND OTHERS WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF ENACTING A LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK THAT WOULD PROTECT INTERNET USERS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*

- *Referred to the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Science and Technology*

**PSRN 242** "RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALL COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE TO HOLD MEETINGS, HEARINGS OR CONFERENCES DURING THE RECESS OF THE CONGRESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF STUDYING AND PREPARING ANY PROPOSED LEGISLATION OR TO INVESTIGATE ANY MATTER OR SUBJECT FALLING UNDER THEIR JURISDICTION"

- *Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 243** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8754 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ELECTRONIC COMMERCE ACT OF 2000 VIS-A-VIS THE REPORTED INCREASE OF SCHEMES AND FRAUDULENT ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce*

**PSRN 244** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND COMMERCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SYSTEM OF PATENT PROCESSING IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENCOURAGING MORE PATENT APPLICATIONS AND PROTECTING GENUINE FILIPINO INNOVATIONS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce*

**PSRN 245** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS TO INQUIRE INTO THE PROGRAMS UNDERTAKEN BY THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO HELP STREET CHILDREN, PARTICULARLY THOSE RESCUED USING RUGBY WITH THE END IN VIEW OF FORMULATING A LONG-TERM AND COMPREHENSIVE ACTION PLAN FOR STREET CHILDREN"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development*

**PSRN 246** "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE CONDITIONS OF GOLDEN ACRES PHILIPPINES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF RECOMMENDING THE INCREASE IN APPROPRIATIONS THEREOF AND OTHER SOCIAL CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS"

- *Introduced by Senator Manny Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; and Finance*

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**CTE. REPORT NO. 5**, submitted jointly by the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws, on **SENATE BILL NO. 1052**, introduced by Senator Villar, entitled "AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 26 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED", recommending its approval with amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senators Pia S. Cayetano and Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Calendar For Ordinary Business*

**CTE. REPORT NO. 6**, submitted jointly by the Committees on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws, on **SENATE BILL NO. 480**, introduced by Senator Ejercito Estrada, entitled "AN ACT AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, ARTICLE III", recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senators Pia S. Cayetano and Miriam Defensor Santiago*
- *Referred to the Calendar For Ordinary Business*

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS OF THE INSTITUTIONAL LINKAGES

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# THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES AS AN INSTITUTION

The Senate of the Philippines is one of the pillars of the country's lawmaking body, the other one is the House of Representatives. It is composed of 24 elected Senators whose terms of office shall be six (6) years. This dynamic institution is established to balance our economic, social and political environment and whose concerns are national in scope.

As the bastion of democracy, its action is centered on consensus and consultation with the end purpose of serving the best interest of the Filipino people.

The SENATE also values the importance of having productive and harmonious relationship with other institutions, from the government and the private sector, to create an environment where rapport and goodwill among institutions prevail. Its main objective is the passage of good, implementable and doable laws in pursuit of democratic ideals that would truly serve the national interest and the welfare of the people.

- *Juliet Cervo*

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