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SENATE BILLS

SBN 2250 "AN ACT CLASSIFYING THE ASSOCIATION DUES AND MEMBERSHIP FEES COLLECTED BY HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OR CONDOMINIUM CORPORATION FROM THEIR MEMBERS OR TENANTS AS EXCLUDED FROM INCOME TAX OR VALUE ADDED TAX AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 2251 "AN ACT IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES FOR FALSIFICATION OF CERTIFICATES OF LAND TITLE OR ANY APPLICATION, DEED, INSTRUMENT OR SUPPORTING DOCUMENT, REASONABLY CONNECTED WITH AND CALCULATED TO CAUSE THE ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF LAND TITLE, CLASSIFYING THE SAME AS A HEINOUS OFFENSE INVOLVING ECONOMIC SABOTAGE IF THE VALUE OR AGGREGATE VALUE OF THE LAND IS AT LEAST TEN MILLION PESOS (P10,000,000.00), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 171 AND 172 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

SBN 2252 "AN ACT IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES ON THE OFFENSE OF STEALING OR VANDALIZING GOVERNMENT ROAD SIGNS AND OTHER WARNING DEVICES, ACCESSORIES AND OTHER FACILITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC WORKS

SBN 2253 "AN ACT ENHANCING THE GSIS ACCOUNT SYSTEM THROUGH LEGISLATIVE-EXECUTIVE BODY AND POOL OF FORENSIC ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

SBN 2254 "AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE TAX REFORM ACT OF 1997 BY EXEMPTING FROM VALUE ADDED TAX THE GOODS AND SERVICES ACQUIRED BY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 2255 "AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS FOR THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

SBN 2256 "AN ACT CLASSIFYING THE SERVICES OF FRANCHISE GRANTEEES OF WATER UTILITIES, AND SALE OR IMPORTATION OF MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT DIRECTLY USED IN OPERATING, MAINTAINING, IMPROVING AND EXPANDING DISTRIBUTION OF POTABLE WATER BY WATER UTILITIES AS VALUE-ADDED TAX EXEMPT TRANSACTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 109 (1) OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9337, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 2257 "AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10149 OR THE GOCC GOVERNANCE OF 2011"

- Introduced by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on FINANCE; and GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

SBN 2258 "AN ACT PROMOTING THE WELFARE OF WORKERS IN THE WELLNESS SPA, BEAUTY SALON, FITNESS GYM AND RELATED BUSINESSES BY FACILITATING THEIR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SSS, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Referred to the Committee(s) on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; and GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

SBN 2259 "AN ACT PROTECTING EMPLOYEES IN CASES OF MERGER OR CONSOLIDATION, SALE OR TRANSFER OF ALL OR SUBSTANTIALLY ALL ASSETS OR BUSINESS OF THEIR EMPLOYERS AND OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Referred to the Committee on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

SBN 2260 "AN ACT PROVIDING PRE-EMPLOYMENT PRIVILEGE TO INDIGENTS BY GRANTING A DISCOUNT ON FEES IN SECURING PRE-EMPLOYMENT CERTIFICATIONS AND CLEARANCES FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES"

- Introduced by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Referred to the Committee on SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SBN 2261 "AN ACT INSTITUTING POLICIES FOR THE PROTECTION AND WELFARE OF CAREGIVERS IN THE PRACTICE OF THEIR PROFESSION"

- Introduced by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Referred to the Committee on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

SBN 2262 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE SMALL RUMINANTS CENTER"

- Introduced by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Referred to the Committee(s) on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD; and FINANCE

SBN 2263 "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE BALANCE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AMENDING FOR THAT PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7279, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9397, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ACT OF 1992"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT

SBN 2264 "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 8 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 910 TO ALLOW THE FINANCING OF ENERGY-RELATED EXPENSES OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES IN THE USE OF THE SPECIAL FUND"

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committee on FINANCE

SBN 2265 "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE PHILIPPINE, ATMOSPHERIC, GEOPHYSICAL AND ASTRONOMICAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (PAGASA), AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Introduced by Senator FRANKLIN M. DRILON
- Referred to the Committee(s) on SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; and FINANCE

SBN 2266 "AN ACT TO PROMOTE COST-EFFECTIVE MEASURES FOR THE TRANSPORT SECTOR AND COMMUTING PUBLIC, PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF A NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; PUBLIC SERVICES; and FINANCE

SBN 2267 "AN ACT TO FURTHER PROTECT PHILIPPINE CORALS AND OTHER MARINE TREASURES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 91 AND 97 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8550 OR THE PHILIPPINE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998"

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD; and ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

SBN 2268 "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-ONE, AS AMENDED, AND OTHER RELATED LAWS, TO ENHANCE THE RESOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION FRAMEWORK FOR BANKS AND BANKING INSTITUTIONS, AND TO STRENGTHEN THE INDEPENDENCE, AUTHORITY AND FINANCIAL CAPABILITY OF THE PHILIPPINE DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator SERGIO R. OSMENA III
- Referred to the Committee on BANKS, FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND CURRENCIES

SBN 2269 "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 4 (B) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7898, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE AFP MODERNIZATION ACT, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10349, ESTABLISHING THE 'REVISED AFP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senators ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES, IV and TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III
- Referred to the Committee on NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

SBN 2270 "AN ACT ENSURING THE FUNDAMENTAL EQUALITY OF MEN AND WOMEN UNDER THE LAWS ON MARRIAGE AND FAMILY RELATIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator(s) MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY, PIA S. CAYETANO and MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on WOMEN, FAMILY RELATIONS AND GENDER EQUALITY and CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF CODES

SBN 2271 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR FILM AND TELEVISION TOURISM IN THE PHILIPPINES, MARKETING THE INDUSTRY GLOBALLY AND PROVIDING EMPLOYMENT FOR THE SECTOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator(s) GRACE L. POE and JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA

- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA; TOURISM; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE

SBN 2272 "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE LADDERIZED INTERFACE BETWEEN TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND HIGHER EDUCATION"

- Introduced by Senator(s) CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, RALPH G. RECTO, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and PIA S. CAYETANO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE and FINANCE

SBN 2273 "AN ACT TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN OF THE GOVERNMENT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 21 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002"

- Introduced by Senator(s) VICENTE C. SOTTO III, GREGORIO B. HONASAN II, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA and GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

SBN 2274 "AN ACT TO EXPAND ACCESS TO EDUCATION THROUGH OPEN LEARNING AND DISTANCE EDUCATION IN TERTIARY LEVELS OF EDUCATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator(s) CYNTHIA A. VILLAR, RALPH G. RECTO, ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES, MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO, JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and PIA S. CAYETANO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; FINANCE and WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 2275 "AN ACT MANDATING ALL STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES TO ANNUALLY CONFER AUTOMATIC ADMISSION AND PROVIDE SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS TO THE TOP TEN (10) PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THEIR GRADUATING CLASS, AND ALLOCATE FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Introduced by Senator(s) ALAN PETER COMPANERO S. CAYETANO and PIA S. CAYETANO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 2276 "AN ACT MANDATING THE USE OF BIODEGRADABLE FILTERS ON CIGARETTES"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

SBN 2277 "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OPEN HIGH SCHOOL SYSTEM IN THE PHILIPPINES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Introduced by Senator(s) PIA S. CAYETANO, RAMON A. REVILLA JR., MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA and RALPH G. RECTO
- Approved on Third Reading

SBN 2278 "AN ACT MANDATING THE COMPLETION OF THE LAND ACQUISITION AND DISTRIBUTION (LAD) COMPONENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM PROGRAM (CARP) BY JUNE 30, 2016 PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6657, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW, AS AMENDED"

- Introduced by Senator GREGORIO B. HONASAN II
- Approved on Third Reading

PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

PSRN 680 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE NON-RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES SEVERELY DAMAGED BY TYPHOON YOLANDA AND EARLIER CALAMITIES"

- Introduced by Senator AQUILINO KOKO III L. PIMENTEL
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC WORKS

PSRN 681 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FAILURE OF GOVERNMENT UNITS TO WARN AND PROTECT THE CITIZENS AND TOURISTS OF PANGASINAN AGAINST JELLY FISH ATTACKS"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and LOCAL GOVERNMENT

PSRN 682 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT BAMBOO, AND NOT STEEL BARS, WERE USED FOR REINFORCEMENT IN A DESTROYED SCHOOL BUILDING IN PALO, LEYTE"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC WORKS



PSRN 683 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT MANY PHILIPPINE TOWNS ARE STILL WITHOUT FIRE TRUCKS"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO;
- Referred to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT;

PSRN 684 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT WORKERS ARE BEING HIRED THEN FIRED EVERY FIVE MONTHS TO AVOID REGULARIZATION UNDER THE LAW"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

PSRN 685 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON REPORTS THAT SYNDICATES USE COURIER CARGO SERVICES TO DELIVER ILLEGAL DRUGS NATIONWIDE"

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 686"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT FIREARMS WORTH

NEARLY P12M ARE MISSING FROM THE HEADQUARTERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS

PSRN 687 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED CHOLERA OUTBREAK IN ALAMADA, COTABATO”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 688“RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING NONITO DONAIRE JR. FOR WINNING THE MAY 31, 2014 WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION (WBA) FEATHERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE AT THE COTAI ARENA OF THE VENETIAN RESORT IN MACAU”

- Introduced by Senator MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 689 “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING NONITO "THE FILIPINO FLASH" DONAIRE JR. FOR WINNING THE WORLD BOXING ASSOCIATION (WBA) FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE AGAINST SOUTH AFRICAN SIMPIWE VETYEKA AT THE VENETIAN HOTEL AND CASINO IN MACAU, CHINA ON MAY 31, 2014”

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 690 "RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE 2013 TEN OUTSTANDING POLICEWOMEN OF THE PHILIPPINES (TOPWP) AWARDEES"

- Introduced by Senator MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 691 "RESOLUTION URGING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION REGARDING THE GRANTING OF HOSPITALIZATION PRIVILEGES AND OTHER BENEFITS TO ALL BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS"

- Introduced by Senator MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- Referred to the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 692 "RESOLUTION COMMENDING NONITO DONAIRE JR. FOR HIS VICTORY AGAINST SIMPIWE "V12" VETYEKA THEREBY GARNERING THE WBA WORLD FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE"

- Introduced by Senator JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 693 "RESOLUTION COMMENDING MEGGIE OCHOA FOR HER INSPIRATIONAL GOLD-MEDAL VICTORY IN THE 2014 INTERNATIONAL BRAZILIAN JIU-JITSU FEDERATION WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP AND HER STEADFAST EFFORTS IN ACHIEVING THIS DREAM"

- Introduced by Senator JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 694 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATE OF THE PUBLIC SPORTS FACILITIES IN THE COUNTRY AND, IN THE PROCESS, MAKE AN INVENTORY THEREOF"

- Introduced by Senator JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- Referred to the Committee on GAMES, AMUSEMENT AND SPORTS

PSRN 695 "RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO REVIEW, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE BUREAU OF CORRECTIONS; RULE OF PROCEDURE IN HANDLING INMATES THAT ARE GRANTED TEMPORARY FREEDOM FROM PRISON FOR EMERGENCY AND OTHER REASONS"

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

PSRN 696"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO REVIEW EXISTING LAWS AND CONSIDER REPEALING DUPLICATE, IRRELEVANT AND UNNECESSARY REGULATIONS IN A BID TO STREAMLINE PROCEDURES, EASE THE COST OF DOING BUSINESS AND SUSTAIN ECONOMIC GROWTH"

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; and TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

PSRN 697 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND THE OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE/S TO CONDUCT AN

OMNIBUS STUDY AND EVENTUAL UPDATING, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, OF THE PRESENT FOREIGN INVESTMENTS ACT (RA 7042, AS AMENDED) CONSIDERING THE CONTINUING EMERGING GLOBAL TRENDS IN DEVELOPMENT WITH THE INTENTION OF MAKING THE PHILIPPINES A COMPETITIVE HAVEN FOR INVESTMENTS AND PLACE OF OPERATION FOR MULTI-NATIONAL COMPANIES”

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ECONOMIC AFFAIRS and TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

PSRN 698”RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT CERTAIN HIGH PROFILE INMATES IN THE NEW BILIBID PRISON (NBP) ARE RECEIVING SPECIAL TREATMENT FROM NBP OFFICIALS WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INTRODUCING INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS TO OUR CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

PSRN 699”RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED ABANDONMENT OF NATIONAL STEEL CORPORATION'S PLANT IN ILIGAN CITY”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP; and GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

PSRN 700“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT SOME WATER COLORS PRODUCTS SOLD TO SCHOOLCHILDREN CONTAIN TOXIC CHEMICALS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

PSRN 701“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL PERMITTING CUTTING OF TREES FOR A ROAD WIDENING PROJECT IN LOS BANOS, LAGUNA”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and LOCAL GOVERNMENT

PSRN 702“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT OF WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION ON THE HARMFUL EFFECTS OF SECOND HAND SMOKING TO CHILDREN”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 703“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED SMUGGLED FUEL FROM MALAYSIA THAT WAS SEIZED BY THE PHILIPPINE COAST GUARD IN PALAWAN”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on WAYS AND MEANS; and ENERGY

PSRN 704“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED PLAN BY THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE TO ESTABLISH DETENTION CENTERS FOR SUSPECTED TERRORISTS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

PSRN 705“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT THERE IS A NEED TO GRANT PROVISIONAL ADMISSION FOR STUDENT TRANSFEREES FROM PRIVATE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, WHO HAVE NOT SECURED THEIR FORM 137 FROM THEIR PREVIOUS SCHOOLS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

PSRN 706“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORT THAT ADULTERATED ANTI-DEPRESSANT DRUGS WERE IMPORTED INTO THE PHILIPPINES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and TRADE, COMMERCE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

PSRN 707“RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENTS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND ENERGY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES MARINE SCIENCE INSTITUTE TO CONDUCT SHORT- AND LONG-TERM SCIENTIFIC/MARINE RESEARCH STUDIES AND EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT APPROACHES ON THE BENHAM RISE, A 13-MILLION-HECTARE UNDERWATER TERRITORY OFF EASTERN LUZON, AND SUBMIT TO THE SENATE RELEVANT LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS INDICATING FULL POSSESSION AND OWNERSHIP”

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ENERGY; and FOREIGN RELATIONS

PSRN 708“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CARNAPPING OF VEHICLES DISGUISED AS TOWING, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INSTITUTING A STRICT REGULATORY FRAMEWORK TO EFFECTIVELY DISMANTLE TOWING SYNDICATES, PUNISH UNSCRUPULOUS, ERRING AND NON-ACCREDITED FIRMS AND ULTIMATELY PROTECT THE INTEREST OF MOTOR VEHICLE OWNERS”

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and PUBLIC SERVICES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

CRN 34 ON SBN 3456 ENTITLED, "AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING SECTIONS THREE AND FOUR OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3456, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1177, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INTERNAL AUDITING ACT OF 1962"

- Sponsored by Senators JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA, and FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 35 ON SBN 1657 ENTITLED, AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 53 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO, and ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES, IV
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 36 ON SBN 1872 ENTITLED, "AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF TEN BILLION PESOS FOR THE AID, RELIEF, RESETTLEMENT, REHABILITATION AND LIVELIHOOD SERVICES AS WELL AS INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE EARTHQUAKE IN CENTRAL VISAYAS, CREATING THE CENTRAL VISAYAS ASSISTANCE, RESETTLEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Sponsored by Senator JUAN PONCE ENRILE
- Archived

CRN 37 ON SBN 136 ENTITLED, "AN ACT REFORMING THE NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM AND PROVIDING STANDARDS FOR THE TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF APPRENTICES, AND REGULATORY STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION OF APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS"

- Sponsored by Senator JINGGOY P. EJERCITO-ESTRADA
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

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