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SBN 1151 “AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN AN OFFICE OF VETERANS AFFAIRS IN THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PRESCRIBING ITS FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY; FOREIGN RELATIONS; and FINANCE

SBN 1152 “AN ACT TO REDUCE POVERTY AND PROMOTE HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT BY INSTITUTIONALIZING A CONDITIONAL CASH TRANSFER PROGRAM”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committees on SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1153 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA OF WORKERS IN INFORMAL ECONOMY, INSTITUTIONALIZING MECHANISMS FOR IMPLEMENTATION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1154 “AN ACT PROHIBITING THE SERVICE OF WARRANTS OF ARRESTS IN CERTAIN CASES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

SBN 1155 “AN ACT GRANTING TAX DEDUCTIONS TO PARENTS AND LEGAL GUARDIANS OF CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS”
- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 1156 “AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE POTENTIALS OF THE FILIPINO YOUTH TOWARD NATION-BUILDING, PRESCRIBING THE FREE EXERCISE OF CERTAIN RIGHTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS

SBN 1157 “AN ACT IMPOSING HEAVY PENALTIES ON RACKETEERS AND ORGANIZED SYNDICATES IN THE PHILIPPINES”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committees on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; and CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF CODES

SBN 1158 “AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 26 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committees on YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS; and CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF CODES

SBN 1159 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN OVARIAN CANCER PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

SBN 1160 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE PHILIPPINE ATMOSPHERIC GEOPHYSICAL AND ASTRONOMICAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; and FINANCE

SBN 1161 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING MARINE PROTECTED AREAS IN ALL COASTAL MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
SBN 1162  "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE FORFEITURE POWERS OF THE STATE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1379, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT DECLARING FORFEITURE IN FAVOR OF THE STATE ANY PROPERTY FOUND TO HAVE BEEN UNLAWFULLY ACQUIRED BY ANY PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND PROVIDING FOR THE PROCEEDINGS THEREFOR"

SBN 1163  "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR STIFFER PENALTIES AGAINST PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES WHO REFUSE OR NEGLECT TO ACT PROMPTLY ON THE PUBLIC’S PERSONAL TRANSACTIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS AS REQUIRED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6713, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES"

SBN 1164  "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND FURTHER DEVELOPING '117' AS THE NATIONWIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

SBN 1165  "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE COURT TO REQUIRE COMMUNITY SERVICE IN LIEU OF IMPRISONMENT FOR THE PENALTY OF ARRESTO MENOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CHAPTER FIVE, TITLE THREE, BOOK ONE OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE"
SBN 1166 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A TWENTY (20) YEAR BARANGAY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE

SBN 1167 “AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF CRIMINOLOGY PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6506, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT CREATING THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and FINANCE

SBN 1168 “AN ACT TO GIVE JURIDICAL PERSONALITY TO THE PRESENT VETERANS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER (VMMC) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES; HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and FINANCE

SBN 1169 “AN ACT INCREASING THE BURIAL ASSISTANCE FOR VETERANS FROM TEN THOUSAND PESOS (P10,000.00) TO TWENTY THOUSAND PESOS (P20,000.00), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6948, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT STANDARDIZING AND UPGRADING THE BENEFITS FOR MILITARY VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY; and FINANCE

SBN 1170 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TAX EXEMPTIONS AND SUBSIDIES FOR THE LOCAL MUSIC INDUSTRY, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT; and WAYS AND MEANS
SBN 1171 “AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, INSTRUMENTALITIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND GOVERNMENT OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS (GOCCS) AND PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS TO USE SECURITY WATER-MARKED PAPER IN ALL RECEIPTS AND INVOICES, PERMITS, LICENSES, CLEARANCES, OFFICIAL PAPERS OR DOCUMENTS”

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

SBN 1172 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; PUBLIC WORKS; and FINANCE

SBN 1173 “AN ACT PRESCRIBING RATES OF PAY AND ALLOWANCES FOR OFFICERS AND ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) WHILE ON OVERSEAS DUTY WITH A PHILIPPINE EXPEDITIONARY OR PEACEKEEPING CONTINGENT PURSUANT TO A PHILIPPINE COOPERATIVE COMMITMENT TO A UNITED NATIONS SANCTION OR POLICY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY; FOREIGN RELATIONS; and FINANCE

SBN 1174 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CIVIL SERVICE CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and FINANCE

SBN 1175 “AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FOOD SAFETY ADMINISTRATION WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH BY PREVENTING FOOD-BORNE ILLNESS, ENSURING THE SAFETY OF FOOD, IMPROVING RESEARCH ON CONTAMINANTS LEADING TO FOOD-BORNE ILLNESS, AND IMPROVING SECURITY OF FOOD FROM INTENTIONAL CONTAMINATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
SBN 1176 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONDONATION OF UNPAID INTERESTS, PENALTIES AND SURCHARGES ON LOANS SECURED BY FARMERS, FISHERFOLKS AND AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM (DAR), THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA), THE PEOPLE'S CREDIT AND FINANCE CORPORATION (PCFC), THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (CDA), THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY (NFA) AND THE QUEDAN AND RURAL CREDIT GUARANTEE CORPORATION (QUEDANCOR)”

SBN 1177 “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 ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and FINANCE

**SBN 1180** “AN ACT PRESCRIBING FIXED TERMS FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND THE MAJOR SERVICE COMMANDERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committee on NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

**SBN 1181** “AN ACT DECLARING THE CONFERMENT OF A DOCTORATE DEGREE AS EQUIVALENT TO ENTRY LEVEL CAREER EXECUTIVE SERVICE OFFICER ELIGIBILITY IN THE CIVIL SERVICE”

Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

**SBN 1182** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION AND UTILIZATION OF THE INCOME DERIVED BY THE NATIONAL MUSEUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 26 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8492, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL MUSEUM ACT OF 1998”

Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committee on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE

**SBN 1183** “AN ACT GRANTING DISASTER SERVICE VOLUNTEERS A PAID LEAVE DURING PERIOD OF DISASTERS”

Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

**SBN 1184** “AN ACT REQUIRING ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ISSUING IDENTIFICATION CARDS, CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES TO INDICATE THEREIN THE BLOOD TYPE OF THE HOLDER AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

Introduced by Senator ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV
Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and FINANCE
SBN 1185 “AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 450 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AS AMENDED, ALLOWING THE CONVERSION OF A MUNICIPALITY WHICH HAS A LAND AREA OF AT LEAST FIFTY (50) SQUARE KILOMETERS OR INHABITANTS OF AT LEAST TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND (25,000) INTO A COMPONENT CITY IF IT HAS AN ANNUAL AVERAGE LOCALLY GENERATED INCOME OF AT LEAST TWO HUNDRED TWENTY MILLION PESOS (P220,000,000.00) FOR THE LAST TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS BASED ON 2012 CONSTANT PRICES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO “SONNY” F. TRILLANES IV
- Referred to the Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SBN 1186 “AN ACT TO POSTPONE THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTION ON OCTOBER 28, 2013, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 1 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator FERDINAND “BONGBONG” R. MARCOS, JR.
- Referred to the Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT; and ELECTORAL REFORMS AND PEOPLES PARTICIPATION

SBN 1187 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SYSTEM FOR A TAX INCENTIVES TRANSPARENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committee on FINANCE

SBN 1188 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BARANGAY DRUGSTORES, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS BOTICA SA BARANGAY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- WITHDRAWN

SBN 1189 “AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7309, ENTITLED AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF CLAIMS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF UNJECT IMPRISONMENT OR DETENTION AND VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- WITHDRAWN
SBN 1190 “AN ACT ENHANCING THE REGULATION OF HEALTH FACILITIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF”

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and FINANCE

SBN 1191 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM ENTITLING PRISONERS TO ADDITIONAL TIME CREDIT ALLOWANCES AGAINST THEIR PRISON SENTENCES, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PAG-ASA NG PAGLAYA SA PAGBASA PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator FERDINAND "BONGBONG" R. MARCOS, JR.
- Referred to the Committees on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

SBN 1192 “AN ACT TO DEVELOP FINANCIAL LITERACY EDUCATION”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 1193 “AN ACT TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS IN AQUATIC FACILITIES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and FINANCE

SBN 1194 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING ELDER SERVE COORDINATING COUNCILS THAT PROVIDE FOR EMERGENCY CRISIS RESPONSE TEAMS TO COMBAT ELDERLY ABUSE”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1195 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL PROGRAM PROMOTING LIFELONG ACTIVE COMMUNITIES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS; and FINANCE
SBN 1196 “AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM TO AWARD INNOVATION PRIZES TO INDIVIDUALS AND ENTITIES FOR RESEARCHING AND DEVELOPING INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on TRADE AND COMMERCE; and FINANCE

SBN 1197 “AN ACT TO PROTECT WATER AQUIFERS WITH REGARD TO SOLID WASTE LANDFILLS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SBN 1198 “AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE, SOLICITATION, AND OFFER OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR PURPOSES OF APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, ASSIGNMENT, TRANSFER, OR DESIGNATION, INTERIM OR OTHERWISE, OF PUBLIC OFFICERS OR EMPLOYEES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

SBN 1199 “AN ACT PROHIBITING UNATTENDED CHILDREN IN MOTOR VEHICLES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES

SBN 1200 “AN ACT PUNISHING THE CRIME OF TAMPERING WITH A TAXIMETER”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES

SBN 1201 “AN ACT AMENDING COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 542, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT TO CREATE A CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND TO DEFINE ITS POWERS AND PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES; YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS; and WAYS AND MEANS
SBN 1202 “AN ACT REGULATING THE PROLIFERATION OF FRAUDULENT DEGREES, DIPLOMAS, AND CERTIFICATIONS ISSUED BY UNAUTHORIZED DEGREE GRANTING INSTITUTIONS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 1203 “AN ACT PROHIBITING VANDALISM AND IMPOSING PENALTIES THERETO”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

SBN 1204 “AN ACT REQUIRING THE POSTING OF CALORIE COUNT INFORMATION ITEMS IN MENU BOARDS OF FOOD SERVICE ESTABLISHMENTS”

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

SBN 1205 “AN ACT STRENGTHENING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3019, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, REVISION OF CODES AND LAWS

SBN 1206 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RIGHTS OF TAXI PASSENGERS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and FINANCE

SBN 1207 “AN ACT TO ENHANCE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE EDUCATION IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS THAT SERVE DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and FINANCE

SBN 1208 “AN ACT IN RELATION TO THE LIABILITY OF OWNERS FOR DOG BITES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY
SBN 1209 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISM REGISTRY”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

SBN 1210 “AN ACT PROHIBITING ANTI-COMPETITIVE PRACTICES AND CREATING THE COMPETITION REGULATORY COMMISSION”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on TRADE AND COMMERCE; ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; and FINANCE

SBN 1211 “AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 544, AS AMENDED, OR THE CIVIL ENGINEERING LAW”

- Introduced by Senator FRANKLIN M. DRILON
- Referred to the Committee on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

SBN 1212 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL MARICULTURE PROGRAM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committees on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD; PUBLIC WORKS; and FINANCE

SBN 1213 “AN ACT EXCLUDING THE PERFORMANCE-BASED BONUS FROM THE COMPUTATION OF TAXABLE INCOME AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 32 (B) (7) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committee on WAYS AND MEANS

SBN 1214 “AN ACT TO PROMOTE FAIR TRADE IN THE OIL INDUSTRY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8479, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE DOWNSTREAM OIL DEREGULATION ACT OF 1998”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committees on ENERGY; and TRADE AND COMMERCE
SBN 1215 “AN ACT TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS AND WELFARE OF FILIPINO SEAMEN AND SEA-BASED MIGRANT WORKERS, ESTABLISHING FOR THE PURPOSE A NATIONAL SEAFARERS ADMINISTRATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committees on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1216 “AN ACT PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO FRESH GRADUATES BY WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES COLLECTED IN CONNECTION WITH DOCUMENTARY REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT”

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committees on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION; and WAYS AND MEANS


- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE


- Introduced by Senator JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA
- Referred to the Committees on CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS, REVISION OF CODES AND LAWS

SBN 1219 “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE RIGHT OF CITIZENS TO INFORMATION HELD BY THE GOVERNMENT”
SBN 1220 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DIRECT REMITTANCE TO THE HOST LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF ITS FORTY PERCENT (40%) SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE UTILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL WEALTH, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 293 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991”

SBN 1221 “AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF HAND-HELD MOBILE COMMUNICATION DEVICES WHILE DRIVING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

SBN 1222 “AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 98 OF ACT. NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE”

SBN 1223 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR STIFFER PENALTIES FOR WILFUL OR INDISCRIMINATE DISCHARGE OF FIREARMS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE”

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on ELECTORAL REFORMS AND PEOPLES PARTICIPATION; and CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AND REVISION OF CODES

SBN 1225 “AN ACT REQUIRING THE TEACHING OF HUMAN RIGHTS AS MANDATORY IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS”
- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 1226 “AN ACT PROVIDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS ACCESSIBILITY TO THE HEARING-IMPAIRED AND SPEECH-IMPAIRED”
- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC SERVICES; and SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SBN 1227 “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN NATION-BUILDING THROUGH THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF A STRATEGIC VOLUNTEERISM-BASED MULTISECTORAL PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FRAMEWORK IN ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUS) AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTRY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; LOCAL GOVERNMENT; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE

SBN 1228 “AN ACT AMENDING TITLES V AND VI, SECTIONS 102 AND 107 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE”
- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT; and SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

SBN 1229 “AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE SUGAR CANE INDUSTRY BY ESTABLISHING THE SUGAR CANE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT FUND, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
SBN 1230 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BARANGAY INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT APPROACH FOR NUTRITION IMPROVEMENT (BIDANI) OF THE RURAL POOR AS A NETWORK PROGRAM OF THE PARTICIPATING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”


SBN 1232 “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND REORIENT THE MANDATE OF THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY IN ORDER TO ENSURE FOOD SUFFICIENCY, FOR THAT PURPOSE RATIONALIZING ITS FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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SBN 1234 “AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”
SBN 1235 “AN ACT TO GOVERN THE OPERATIONS AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE OVERSEAS WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRATION”

SBN 1236 “AN ACT PROMOTING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION TECHNOLOGIES AND APPROACHES FOR SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

SBN 1237 “AN ACT INSTITUTING REFORMS TO FURTHER PROTECT AND DEVELOP THE NURSING PROFESSION, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED NINETY-ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-THREE, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE NURSING ACT OF 2002”

SBN 1238 “AN ACT PROVIDING TAX RELIEF TO PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS BY EXEMPTING THEM FROM INCOME TAXATION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 22 AND 24A OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

SBN 1239 “AN ACT BROADENING THE OPPORTUNITIES OF FILIPINO YOUTH BY ALLOWING GRADUATES OF K-12 ENHANCED EDUCATION IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PNP LAW, RA 6975 AS AMENDED BY RA 8551”
SBN 1240 “AN ACT TO PROMOTE AGRITOURISM IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO “SONNY” F. TRILLANES IV
- WITHDRAWN

SBN 1241 “AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF METALLURGICAL ENGINEERING IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THIS PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED 1536, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE METALLURGICAL ENGINEERING LAW OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator ANTONIO “SONNY” F. TRILLANES IV
- WITHDRAWN

SBN 1242 “AN ACT ENCOURAGING THE PRODUCTION OF FILMMAKERS WHO ARE GIVEN HONORS IN CREDIBLE INTERNATIONAL FILM COMPETITIONS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE

SBN 1243 “AN ACT AMENDING 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 MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committee on TRADE AND COMMERCE

SBN 1244 “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RECRUITMENT, TRAINING, AND SUPPORT FOR A NATIONAL CORPS IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 1245 “AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY ON CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN AND ESTABLISHING A SEPARATE DNA DATABASE FOR VIOLENT PREDATORS AGAINST CHILDREN”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS; JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; and FINANCE
SBN 1246 “AN ACT TO EVALUATE CERTAIN SKILLS CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1247 “AN ACT PROHIBITING LANDFILLS/GARBAGE DUMPS NEAR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

SBN 1248 “AN ACT PROVIDING GRANTS TO ELIGIBLE CONSORTIA TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TO SUPERINTENDENTS, PRINCIPALS, AND PROSPECTIVE SUPERINTENDENTS AND PRINCIPALS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE

SBN 1249 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GRANT PROGRAM TO ENHANCE FINANCIAL AND RETIREMENT LITERACY FOR MID-LIFE AND OLDER FILIPINOS”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT; and FINANCE

SBN 1250 “AN ACT ESTABLISHING COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS TO RETAIN HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES”

- Introduced by Senator MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO
- Referred to the Committees on EDUCATION, ARTS AND CULTURE; and FINANCE
PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

PSRN 198 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT (COA) SPECIAL AUDITS OFFICE (SAO) REPORT NO. 2012-03 ON THE PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (PDAF) AND VARIOUS INFRASTRUCTURES INCLUDING LOCAL PROJECTS (VILP) FOR CYS 2007 TO 2009, TO DETERMINE ITS FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS, REVIEW AND STRENGTHEN BUDGETARY AND MANAGEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THE PROPIETY OF FUND RELEASES, THE EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF FUNDS AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS, THEREBY ENHANCING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY”

- Introduced by Senator RALPH G. RECTO
- Referred to the Committee on FINANCE

PSRN 199 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE COLLISION BETWEEN THE MV ST. THOMAS AQUINAS AND THE MV SULPICIO EXPRESS 7 LAST 16 AUGUST 2013”

- Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES

PSRN 200 “RESOLUTION EXTENDING HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILIES AND LOVED ONES OF THE PASSENGERS AND CREW MEMBERS WHO PERISHED IN THE COLLISION BETWEEN MV ST. THOMAS AQUINAS AND MV SULPICIO EXPRESS 7 ON 16 AUGUST 2013”

- Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

PSRN 201 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DISASTER PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE CAPABILITIES OF CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES WITH RESPECT TO OIL SPILLS”

- Introduced by Senator MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID
- Referred to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
PSRN 202 “RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE AT LEAST FIFTY PERCENT OF THE PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUND OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE AND TO APPROPRIATE THESE FUNDS TO STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FOR SCHOLARSHIPS, CLASSROOMS, COMPUTERS, TEACHER TRAINING, AND OTHER ACTIVITIES, TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO AND QUALITY OF EDUCATION”

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

PSRN 203 “RESOLUTION DECLARING THE IMPERATIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT 9242, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PRESCRIBING THE USE OF THE PHILIPPINE TROPICAL FABRICS FOR THE UNIFORMS OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- Referred to the Committee on CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

PSRN 204 “RESOLUTION URGING HIS EXCELLENCY, PRESIDENT BENIGNO SIMEON C. AQUINO III, TO CREATE AN INDEPENDENT COMMISSION TO INVESTIGATE THE MISUSE OF THE PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUND (PDAF) BASED ON THE FINDINGS OF THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROVIDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE APPROPRIATE USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS PURSUANT TO POLICY OF TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY”

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS

PSRN 205 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED CASES OF VIOLATION AND COMPLAINTS OF UNJust AND UNLAWFUL DISTRIBUTION OR NON-DISTRIBUTION OF/NON-COMPLIANCE WITH THE EIGHTY-FIVE PERCENT (85%) SHARE DISTRIBUTION FOR ALL COVERED EMPLOYEES OF THE TOTAL SERVICE CHARGES COLLECTED BY THE HOTELS, RESTAURANTS AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 96 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES', WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REVISITING AND REVIEWING SUCH PROVISION AND
OTHER RELATED PROVISIONS OF THE LABOR CODE FOR POSSIBLE LEGISLATIVE INTERVENTION FURTHER PROTECTING, PROMOTING AND ENSURING THE RIGHTS, INTERESTS, AND WELFARE OF THE WORKERS’

- Introduced by Senator GREGORIO B. HONASAN II
- Referred to the Committee on LABOR, EMPLOYMENT AND HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

PSRN 206 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COLLISION OF MV SULPICIO EXPRESS SIETE WITH MV ST. THOMAS AQUINAS OFF THE WATERS OF TALISAY CITY, CEBU”

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

PSRN 207 “RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE OUTSTANDING TEACHERS OF 2013 AWARDED BY THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC.”

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

PSRN 208 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON GAMES, AMUSEMENT AND SPORTS; AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS (BLUE RIBBON) TO INQUIRE IN AID OF LEGISLATION INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHILIPPINE AMUSEMENT AND GAMING CORPORATION'S (PAGCOR) CHARTER, OR PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1869, AS AMENDED, IN RELATION TO MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 8, DATED 28 AUGUST 2001, PROHIBITING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS INCLUDING MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE AND THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM ENTERING, STAYING AND/OR PLAYING AT CASINOS”

- Introduced by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Referred to the Committees on GAMES AND AMUSEMENT; and ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS

PSRN 209 “RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC. OUTSTANDING TEACHERS OF 2013 FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY COMPETENCE, DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT IN PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATION TO OUR YOUTH”
PSRN 210 “RESOLUTION HONORING AND COMMENDING THE METROBANK FOUNDATION, INC. OUTSTANDING TEACHERS OF 2013 FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY COMPETENCE, DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT IN PROVIDING QUALITY EDUCATION TO OUR YOUTH”

PSRN 211 “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO LOOK INTO, INQUIRE, AND INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE RECENT SEA MISHAP INVOLVING THE COLLISION BETWEEN M/V ST. THOMAS OF AQUINAS AND THE CARGO VESSEL M/V SULPICIO EXPRESS 7 OUTSIDE THE CENTRAL PORT OF CEBU, TO REVIEW THE DISTRIBUTION AND ALLOCATION OF POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES BETWEEN AND AMONG THE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES INVOLVED IN MARITIME SAFETY AND TRAVEL WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION TO STRENGTHEN THE SAFETY STANDARDS AND REGULATIONS ON MARITIME TRANSPORT AND TRAVEL”

PSRN 212 “RESOLUTION AMENDING RULE X, SECTION 13 OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE”
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