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LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR FOR THE THIRD REGULAR SESSION OF THE 14TH CONGRESS

Presented below is the Legislative Calendar for the Third Regular Session of the 14th Congress, covering the period December 19, 2009 to July 25, 2010 based on Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13 introduced by Senator Juan Miguel Zubiri:

Adjournment of Session	-	December 19, 2009 to January 17, 2010
Resumption of Session	-	January 18, 2010 to February 5, 2010
Adjournment of Session	-	February 6, 2010 to May 30, 2010
Resumption of Session	-	May 31, 2010 to June 4, 2010
Adjournment Sine Die	-	June 5, 2010 to July 25, 2010

LAWS PASSED COVERING THE PERIOD

MAY 6, 2009 to October 31, 2009

(Covers Republic Act Numbers 9593 – 9740)

Provided below are the laws passed and approved by the President of the Philippines during the 14th Congress covering the period May 6, 2009 to October 31, 2009:

Republic Act No. 9593

“An Act Declaring A National Policy For Tourism As An Engine Of Investment, Employment, Growth And National Development, And Strengthening The Department Of Tourism And Its Attached Agencies To Effectively And Efficiently Implement That Policy , And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

➤ Approved By The President on May 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9594

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Capisan, City Of Zamboanga To Be Known As Capisan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

➤ Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9595

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Salapungan, Municipality Of San Rafael, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Salapungan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

➤ Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9596

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Patac, Municipality Of Sto. Tomas, Province Of La Union

To Be Known As Sto. Tomas National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9597

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Saravia, City Of Koronadal, Province Of South Cotobato To Be Known As Saravia National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9598

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Timalang, Municipality Of Ipil, Province Of Zamboanga Sibugay To Be Known As Timalang National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9599

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Dacudac, Municipality Of Tadian, Mountain Province To Be Known As Dacudac National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9600

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Buringal, Municipality Of Paracelis, Mountain Province To Be Known As Buringal National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9601

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Data, Municipality Of Sabangan, Mountain Province To Be

Known As Data Memorial National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9602

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Tamboan, Municipality Of Besao, Mountain Province To Be Known As Tamboan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9603

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Saclit, Municipality Of Sadanga, Mountain Province To Be Known As Saclit National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9604

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Abatan, Municipality Of Bauko, Mountain Province To Be Known As Abatan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9605

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Talon-Talon, City Of Zamboanga To Be Known As Talon-Talon National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9606

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Bunguiao, City Of Zamboanga To Be Known As Bunguiao National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9607

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Tigbe, Municipality Of Norzagaray, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As FVR National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9608

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Don Mariano Marcos, Municipality Of Lupon, Province Of Davao Oriental To Be Known As Don Mariano Marcos National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9609

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Paradise Embac, City of Davao To Be Known As Paradise Embac National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9610

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Buluang, Municipality Of Baao, Province Of Camarines Sur To Be Known As Eusebia Paz Arroyo Memorial National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9611

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Graceville, City Of San Jose Del Monte, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Graceville National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9612

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Maria, Municipality Of Laua-An, Province Of Antique To Be Known As Eastern Laua-An National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9613

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Calipayan, Municipality Of Santa Ignacia, Province Of Tarlac To Be Known As Calipayan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9614

“An Act Establishing A National High School In The Municipality of Moncada, Province Of Tarlac To Be Known As Moncada National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9615

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Inapugan, Municipality Of Pilar, Province Of Sorsogon To Be Known As Tingco National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9616

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Palanas, Municipality Of Pilar, Province Of Sorsogon To Be Known As Palanas National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Passed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9617

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Rizal, Municipality Of San Leonardo, Province Of Nueva Ecija To Be Known As San Leonardo National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9618

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Bugnay, Municipality Of Tinglayan, Province Of Kalinga To Be Known As Southern Tinglayan National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9619

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Lilo-An, City Of Ormoc, Province of Leyte To Be Known As Lilo-An National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9620

“ An Act Converting The Negros Occidental Science High School In The City Of Victorias, Province of Negros Occidental Into A National Science High School To Be Known As Negros Occidental Science High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9621

“An Act Establishing A National Agro-Industrial High School In Barangay Comaguinking, Municipality Of Calabanga, Province Of Camarines Sur To Be Known As Camarines Sur National Agro-Industrial High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9622

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Poblacion, Municipality Of Hungduan, Province Of Ifugao To Be Known As Bangbang National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9623

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Subic, Municipality Of Agoncillo, Province Of Batangas To Be Known As Agoncillo National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9624

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Kauswagan, City Of Dumalinao, Province Of Davao Del Norte to Be Known As Kauswagan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9625

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Mecolong, Municipality Of Panabo, Province Of

Zamboanga Del Sur to Be Known As Mecolong National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9626

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Balintawak, Municipality Of Margosatubig, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur to Be Known As Balintawak National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9627

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Malaking Ilog, Municipality Of San Pascual, Province Of Masbate to Be Known As Malaking Ilog National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9628

“An Act Converting The Pilar Productivity Development High School In The Municipality Of Pilar, Province Of Sorsogon Into A National High School To Be Known As Pilar National Comprehensive High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Lapsed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9629

“An Act Establishing A National High School In The Municipality Of Lubuagan, Province Of Kalinga to Be Known As Lubuagan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9630

“An Act Establishing A Science High School In The City Of Mati, Province Of Davao Oriental To BE Kown As Davao Oriental Regional Science High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9631

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Tandubuary, Municipality Of San Pablo, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur to Be Kown As Tandubuary National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9632

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Maruing, Municipality Of Lapuyan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur to Be Kown As Maruing National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9633

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Guling, Municipality of Guipos, Province of Zamboanga Del Sur To Be Known As Guling National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9634

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Teniapan, Municipality of San Pablo, Province of Zamboanga Del Sur To Be Known As Teniapan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9635

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Panubigan, Municipality of Pitogo, Province of Zamboanga Del Sur To Be Known As Panubigan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9636

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Indahag, Municipality of Cagayan De Oro To Be Known As Indahag National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9637

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Municipality of Pagawayan, Province of Lanao Del Sur To Be Known As Pagawayan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9638

“An Act Separating the San Isidro National High School – Roxas Annex in Barangay Roxas, Municipality of San Isido, Province of Surigao Del Norte From The San Isidro National High School Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Roxas National High School, And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9639

“An Act Separating the Gen. Luna National High School – Sta. Fe Annex in Barangay Sta. Fe, Municipality of Gen. Luna, Province of Surigao Del Norte From The Gen. Luna National High School, Converting It Into An Independent

National High School To Be Known As Sta. Fe National High School, And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on May 13, 2009

Republic Act No. 9640

“An Act Amending Section 140 (A) Of Republic Act No. 7160, Otherwise Known As The Local Government Code Of 1991”

- Lapsed into Law on May 21, 2009

Republic Act No. 9641

“An Act Changing The Name Of Kapitan Ramon National High School in Barangay Kapitan Ramon, City Of Silay, Province of Negros Occidental To Don Felix T. Lacson Memorial National High School”

- Approved Into Law on May 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9642

“An Act Declaring March 16 of Every Year As Romblon Foundation Day And A Special Nonworking Public Holiday In The Province Of Romblon”

- Approved By The President on June 11, 2009

Republic Act No. 9643

“An Act Declaring March 21 Of Every Year A Special Nonworking Holiday In Victorias City, Province Of Negros Occidental “

- Approved By The President on June 11, 2009

Republic Act No. 9644

“ An Act Declaring August 28 of Every Year A Special Nonworking Public Holiday In The City Of Cagayan De Oro To Be Known As Cagayan De Oro City Day”

- Approved By The President on June 11, 2009

Republic Act No. 9645

“An Act Declaring July 27 Of Every Year As A Special National Working Holiday In Recognition Of The Founding Anniversary Of The Iglesia Ni Cristo In The Philippines, Amending For The Purpose Section 26, Chapter 7 Of Executive Order No. 292 Otherwise Known As The Administrative Code Of 1987, As Amended ”

- Approved Into Law on June 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9646

“An Act Regulating The Practice Of Real Estate Service In The Philippines, Creating For The Purpose A Professional Regulatory Board Of Real Estate Service, Appropriating Fund Therefor And Other Purposes ”

- Approved By The President on June 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9647

“An Act Designating The Philippine Normal University As The Country’s National Center For Teacher Education, Appropriating Funds Therefor, And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on June 30, 2009

Republic Act No. 9648

“An Act Exempting From Documentary Stamp Tax Any Sale, Barter or Exchange Of Shares Of Stock Listed And Traded Through The Stock Exchange, Further Amending For The Purpose Section 199 Of The National Internal Revenue Code Of 1997, As Amended By Republic Act No. 9243, And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on June 30, 2009

Republic Act No. 9649

“An Act Amending Republic Act No. 5412, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Charter Of The City Of General Santos”

- Approved By The President on July 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9650

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Bambang, Municipality of Bocaue, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Bambang National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9651

“An Act Establishing A National Science High School In Barangay Dapa, Siargao Island, Province Of Surigao Del Norte To Be Known As Siargao Science National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9652

“An Act Granting The Information Broadcast Unlimited, Inc. A Franchise To Construct, Install, Establish, Operate, And Maintain Radio And Television Broadcasting Stations In The Philippines”

- Lapsed into Law on July 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9653

“An Act Establishing Reforms In The Regulation Of Rent Of Certain Residential Units, Providing The Mechanisms Therefor And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on July 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9654

“An Act Declaring July 18th A Special Nonworking Holiday In The Province Of South Cotabato In Commemoration Of Its Foundation Anniversary And The Culmination Of The Tnalak Festival”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9655

“An Act Changing The Name Of Concepcion High School In Barangay Malanday, City Of Marikina, To Malanday National High School”

- Approved Into Law on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9656

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Taboc, Municipality Of Angat, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Angat National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9657

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Sto. Nino, City Of Marikina To Be Known As Sto. Nino National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9658

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Malaruhatan, Municipality Of Lian, Province Of Batangas To Be Known As Lian National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9659

“An Act Separating The Valenzuela National High School – Punturin Annex in Barangay Punturin, City Of Valenzuela, Metro Manila From The Valenzuela National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Vicente P. Trinidad National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9660

“An Act Separating The Valenzuela National High School – Bignay Annex in Barangay Bignay, City Of Valenzuela, Metro Manila From The Valenzuela National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Bignay National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9661

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Minuyan Proper, City Of San Jose Del Monte, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Minuyan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9662

“An Act Establishing A National Science High School In The City Of San Jose Del Monte, Province of Bulacan To Be Known As City Of San Jose Del Monte National Science High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9663

“An Act Separating The Antipolo National High School – Cupang Annex In Barangay Cupang, City Of Antipolo From

The Antipolo National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Cupang National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9664

“An Act Separating The Pantabangan National High School – Ganduz Annex In Barangay Ganduz, Municipality Of Pantabangan, Province Of Nueva Ecija From The Pantabangan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Ganduz National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9665

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Baesa, City Of Quezon To Be Known As Baesa National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Lapsed Into Law on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9666

“An Act Separating The Constancio Padilla National High School – Sto Nino 3rd Annex In Barangay Sto. Nino 3rd, City Of San Jose, Province Of Nueva Ecija Form Constancio Padilla National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School to Be Known As Sto. Nino 3rd National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9667

“An Separating The Carrangalan National High School – Burgos Annex In Barangay Burgos, Municipality Of

Carrangalan, Province Of Nueva Ecija From The Carrangalan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Burgos National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor “

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9668

“An Act Establishing A National Agro-Industrial High School In Barangay Kapatalan, Municipality Of Siniloan, Province Of Laguna To Be Known As Governor Felicisimo T. San Luis National Agro-Industrial High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9669

“An Act Separating The Valenzuela National High School – Arkong Bato Annex In Barangay Arkong Bato, City Of Valenzuela, Metro Manila From The Valenzuela National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Arkong Bato National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9670

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Apolonio Samson, Quezon City To Be Known As Apolonio Samson National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9671

“ An Converting The Botolan Community High School In The Municipality Of Botolan, Zambales Into A National

High School To Be Known As Bototlan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9672

“An Act Establishing A National Science And Technology High School In The City Of Caloocan To Be Known As Caloocan National Science and Technology High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9673

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay San Roque, City Of Marikina To Be Known As San Roque National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9674

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Barangka, City Of Marikina To Be Known As Barangka National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9675

“An Act Converting The Panan High School In The Municipality Of Botolan, Province Of Zambales Into A National High School To Be Known As Panan National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9676

“An Act Separating The Caloocan City Science High School -CHS In The Barangay Sixty-Two (62), City Of Caloocan From Caloocan High School (CHS), Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As

Caloocan City Science High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9677

“An Act Converting The New Taugtog High School In The Municipality Of Botolan, Province Of Zambales Into A National High School to Be Known As New Taugtog National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor “

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9678

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Kalumpang, City Of Marikina To Be Known As Kalumpang National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 17, 2009

Republic Act No. 9679

“An Act Further Strengthening The Home Development Mutual Fund, And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on July 21, 2009

Republic Act No. 9680

“An Act Creating Two Additional Branches Of The Regional Trial Court In The City Of Balanga And Three Additional Branches Of The Regional Trial Court In The Municipalities of Mariveles and Dinalupihan, Province Of Bataan Amending For the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (C) Of Batas Pambansa Bilang Isang Daan At Dalawanput Siyam, Otherwise Known As “The Judiciary Reorganization Act Of 1980”, As Amended By Republic Act No. 7154 And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on July 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9681

“An Act Converting The San Ildefonso High School In Barangay Poblacion, Municipality Of San Ildefonso, Province Of Bulacan Into A National High School To Be Known As San Ildefonso National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

➤ Approved By The President on July 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9682

“An Act Granting The Panay Telephone Corporation (Pantelco III) A Franchise To Construct, Install, Establish, Operate And Maintain Local Exchange Network In The Municipalities Of Cabatuan, Janiuay, Calinog, Lambunao, Mina and Badiangan, all In The Province Of Iloilo”

➤ Approved By The President on August 1, 2009

Republic Act No. 9683

“An Act Declaring September 18 of Every Year A Special Nonworking Holiday In The City Of Bislig, Province Of Surigao Del Sur”

➤ Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9684

“An Act Renaming The Tumana Bridge In Marikina City As Gil Fernando Bridge”

➤ Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9685

“An Act Renaming The Kalibo – New Washington Road In The Province Of Aklan As Jaime Cardinal Sin Avenue” ”

➤ Approved Into Law on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9686

“An Act Naming The Road From Barangay Bagatangki, Municipality of Malinao, Province of Albay To Barangay San Ramon, City Of Iriga, Up To Barangay Anawan In The

Municipality of Ocampo , Province Of Camarines Sur As The Gov. Felix O. Alfelor Sr. National Highway”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9687

“An Act Naming The Road Starting From The Boundary Of Iriga City and The Municipality Of Buhi, Passing Through Barangays Justina and Lourdes And Ending At The Municipal Hall of Buhi, Province Of Camarines Sur As The Maximo Noble Sr. Highway, “

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9688

“An Act Establishing The Ifugao Second District Engineering Office In The Province Of Ifugao And Appropriating Fund Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9689

“An Act Establishing The Sorsogon Second District Engineering Office In The Province Of Sorsogon And Appropriating Fund Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9690

“An Act Establishing The Cagayan De Oro First District Engineering Office And Appropriating Fund Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9691

“An Act Establishing The Sultan Kudarat Second District Engineering Office In The Province Of Sultan Kudarat And Appropriating Fund Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9692

“An Act Establishing The Misamis Occidental Second District Engineering Office In The Province Of Misamis Occidental And Appropriating Fund Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9693

“An Act Reconstituting The Albay Engineering District Offices In The Province Of Albay Into Three (3) Regular District Engineering Offices And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9694

“An Act Establishing The Sixth District Engineering Office In The Sixth Congressional District Of The Province Of Cebu And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9695

“An Act Establishing The Zamboanga Sibugay First District Engineering Office In The Province Of Zamboanga Sibugay Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9696

“An Act Establishing The District Engineering Office For The Cities Of Malabon And Navotas In Metro Manila And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9697

“An Act Upgrading The Nueva Viscaya Sub-District Engineering Office Into Regular District Engineering Office to Be Known As The Nueva Viscaya Second District Engineering Office And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9698

“An Act Upgrading The Tarlac Sub-District Engineering Office Into Regular District Engineering Office to Be Known As The Tarlac Second District Engineering Office And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 4, 2009

Republic Act No. 9699

“An Act Establishing The Ilocos Norte Third District Engineering Office In The Province Of Ilocos Norte And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on August 6, 2009

Republic Act No. 9700

“An Act Strengthening The Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Program (CARP), Extending The Acquisition And Distribution Of All Agricultural Lands, Instituting Necessary Reforms, Amending For The Purpose Certain Provisions Of Republic Act No. 6657 Otherwise Known As The Comprehensive Agrarian Reform Law Of 1988, As Amended, And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on August 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9701

“An Act Declaring October 2 of Every Year An Official Nonworking Holiday In The Municipality Of Majayjay, Province Of Laguna And In All Its Barangays, To Be Known As The MajayJay Day”

- Approved Into Law on August 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9702

“An Act Naming The Provincial Road From The Municipality Of Sta. Magdalena Up To Pawa Road In The Municipality Of Matnog, Province Of Sorsogon As Gov. Juan G. Frivaldo Highway”

- Approved By The President on August 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9703

“An Act Naming A Stretch Of The National Highway Along The Davao Oriental – Surigao Coastal Road Which Begins At The Boundary Of The Provinces Of Compostela Vallley And Davao Oriental Up To The Boundary Of The First and Second Districts Of The Province Of Davao Oriental As The Pres. Diosdado P. Macapagal National Highway”

- Approved By The President on August 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9704

“An Act Changing The Name Of Liboton Street In The City Of Naga, Province Of Camarines Sur To M. T. Villanueva Avenue”

- Approved By The President on August 7, 2009

Republic Act No. 9705

“An Act Naming The Road Network Traversing Marifosque Street And National Highway At Barangay Dao In The Municipality Of Pilar, Province Of Sorosogon As Mayor Manuel T. Sia Diversion Road”

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Republic Act No. 9706

“An Act Declaring September 29 Of Every Year As A Special Nonworking Public Holiday In The Municipality Of Balilihan, Province Of Bohol ”

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Republic Act No. 9707

“An Act Granting The Convergence Information And Communications Technology Solutions, Inc. A Franchise To Construct, Install, Establish, Operate And Maintain Telecommunications Systems Throughout The Philippines”

- Lapsed Into Law on August 8, 2009

Republic Act No. 9708

“ An Act Extending For Five (5) Years The Reglementary Period For Complying With The Minimum Educational Qualification For Appointment To The Philippine National Police (PNP) and Adjusting The Promotion System Thereof, Amending For The Purpose Pertinent Provisions Of Republic Act No. 6975 And Republic Act No. 8551 And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on August 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9709

“An Act Establishing A Universal Newborn Hearing Screening Program For The Prevention, Early Diagnosis And Intervention Of Hearing Loss”

- Approved By The President on August 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9710

“An Act Providing For The Magna Carta Of Women” ”

- Approved By The President on August 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9711

“An Act Strengthening And Rationalizing The Regulatory Capacity Of The Bureau Of Food And Drugs (BFAD) By Establishing Adequate Testing Laboratories and Field Offices, Upgrading Its Equipment, Augmenting Its Human Resource Complement, Giving Authority To Retain Its Income, Renaming It The Food And Drugs Administration (FDA), Amending Certain Sections Of Republic Act No. 3720, As Amended, And Appropriating Funds Thereof ”

- Approved By The President on August 18, 2009

Republic Act No. 9712

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Maronquillo, Municipality Of San Rafael, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Maronquillo National High School And Appropriating Funds Therfor”

- Approved By The President on August 26, 2009

Republic Act No. 9713

“An Act Establishing A National High School In Barangay Balaong, Municipality Of San Miguel, Province Of Bulacan To Be Known As Balaong National High School And Appropriating Funds Therfor”

- Approved By The President on August 26, 2009

Republic Act No. 9714

“An Act Amending The Franchise Of Express Telecommunications Co., Inc. (Formerly Felix Alberto And Company, Incorporated) Granted Under Republic Act No. 2090, And Renewing/Extending The Term Thereof To Another Twenty-Five (25) years From The Date Of Effectively Of This Act”

- Lapsed into Law on September 3, 2009

Republic Act No. 9715

“An Act Converting The Bagac – Mariveles Road In The Province Of Bataan Into A National Road”

- Approved Into Law on October 9, 2009

Republic Act No. 9716

“An Act Reapportioning The Composition Of The First (1st) And Second (2nd) Legislative Districts In The Province Of Camarines Sur And Thereby Creating A New Legislative District From Such Reappointment”

- Approved By The President on October 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9717

“An Act Converting The Camarines Sur State Agricultural College In The Municipality Of Pili, Province Of Camarines Sur Into State University To Be Known As The Central Bicol State University Of Agriculture And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 12, 2009

Republic Act No. 9718

“An Act Converting The Naval Institute Of Technology In The Municipality Of Naval, Province Of Biliran Into A State University To Be Known As The Naval State University, Integrating Therewith The Biliran National Agricultural

College In The Municipality Of Biliran And Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved Into Law on October 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9719

“ An Act Converting The Tiburcio Tancinco Memorial Institute Of Science And Technology In Calbayog City Into A State University To Be Known As The Northwest Samar State University Integrating Therewith The Samar State College Of Agriculture And Forestry In the Municipality Of San Jorge, Both Located In The Province Of Western Samar, And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9720

“An Act Converting The Ifugao State College Of Agriculture And Forestry In The Municipality Of Lamut And All Its Existing Extension Campuses Located In The Province Of Ifugao Into A State University To Be Known As The Ifugao State University And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9721

“An Act Converting the Romblon State College in the Municipality of Odiongan, Province Of Roblom Into A State University To Be Known As Romblon State University And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9722

“An Act Converting the Central Visayas State College of Agriculture, Forestry and Technology, its Units and Satellite Campuses in the City of Tagbilaran and in the Municipalities of Bilar, Candijay, Clarin, Calape And

Balilihan, All Located In The Province Of Bohol To Be Known As The Bohol Island State University (BISU) And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved Into Law on October 14, 2009

Republic Act No. 9723

“An Act Converting The Municipality Of Dasmarinas In The Province Of Cavite Into A Component City To Be Known As The City Of Dasmarinas”

- Approved By The President on October 15, 2009

Republic Act No. 9724

“An Act Separating the City of Iligan From the First Legislative District of the Province of Lanao Del Norte to Constitute the Lone Legislative District of the City of Iligan”

- Approved By The President on October 20, 2009

Republic Act No. 9725

“An Act Providing for the Reapportionment of the Lone Legislative District of the Province of Camarines Norte ”

- Approved Into Law on October 22, 2009

Republic Act No. 9726

“An Act Separating the City of Lapu-Lapu From the Sixth Legislative District of the Province of Cebu to Constitute the Lone Legislative District of the City of Lapu-Lapu ”

- Approved By The President on October 22, 2009

Republic Act No. 9727

“An Act Reapportioning the Province of Cavite Into Seven (7) Legislative Districts “

- Approved By The President on October 22, 2009

Republic Act No. 9728

“An Act Converting the Bataan Economic Zone Located in the Municipality of Mariveles, Province of Bataan, Into the Freeport Area of Bataan (FAB), Creating for This Purpose the Authority of The Freeport Area Of Bataan (AFAB), Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes”

- Lapsed Into Law on October 23, 2009

Republic Act No. 9729

“An Act Mainstreaming Climate Change Into Government Policy Formulations, Establishing the Framework Strategy and Program on Climate Change, Creating for This Purpose the Climate Change, And For Other Purposes”

- Approved By The President on October 23, 2009

Republic Act No. 9730

“An Act Establishing a National High School in the Municipality of Barugo, Province of Leyte to Be Known as Barugo National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9731

“An Act Establishing a National High School in Barangay Banawel, Municipality of Natonin, Mountain Province to Be Known as Banawel National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9732

“An Act Establishing a National High School in Barangay Dalican, Municipality of Bontoc, Mountain Province to Be Known as Dalican National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Lapsed Into Law on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9733

“An Act Establishing a National High School in Barangay Banguitan, Municipality of Besao, Mountain Province to Be Known as Banguitan National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor ”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9734

“An Act Separating the Dapa National High School - Tuburan Annex in Barangay Tuburan, Municipality of Del Carmen, Province of Surigao Del Norte From the Dapa National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High To Be Known As Mariano Matugas Memorial National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9735

“An Act Separating the Pilar National High School - Caridad Annex in Barangay Caridad, Municipality of Pilar, Province of Surigao Del Norte From the Pilar National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Caridad National High School and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Lapsed Into Law on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9736

“An Act Separating the Butigue National High School - Palitod Annex in Barangay Palitod, Municipality of Paracelis, Mountain Province From the Butigue National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Palitod National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9737

“An Act Separating the Maba-Ay National High School - Leseb Annex in Barangay Leseb, Municipality of Bauko, Mountain Province From the Maba-Ay National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School to Be Known As Leseb National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9738

“An Act Separating the Cagubatan National High School - Am-Am Annex in Barangay Cadad-Anan, Municipality of Tadian, Mountain Province From the Cagubatan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School to Be Known As Am-Am National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Lapsed Into Law on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9739

“An Act Separating the Barlig National High School - Lias Annex in Barangay Lias, Municipality of Barlig, Mountain Province From the Barlig National High School, Converting It Into An An Independent National High School To Be Known As Lias National High School And Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- Approved By The President on October 29, 2009

Republic Act No. 9740

“An Act Converting the Municipality of Biñan in the Province of Laguna Into a Component City to Be Known as the City of Biñan”

- Approved By The President on October 30, 2009

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