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**A. AUTHORED SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS****SBN-2320** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF FOREST AND FOREST LANDS”

- Short Title: SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT ACT
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2321** “AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO INFORMATION ON MATTERS OF PUBLIC CONCERN GUARANTEED UNDER SECTION SEVEN, ARTICLE THREE OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION AND THE STATE POLICY OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE OF ALL ITS TRANSACTIONS INVOLVING PUBLIC INTEREST UNDER SECTION TWENTY-EIGHT, ARTICLE TWO OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2322** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE AND FREEPORT IN THE PROVINCE OF ANTIQUE, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: ANTIQUE SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE ACT OF 2023
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2323** “AN ACT PROMOTING SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION TECHNOLOGIES AND APPROACHES FOR SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION ACT
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2324** “AN ACT DECLARING QUIAPO DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF MANILA A NATIONAL HERITAGE ZONE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: QUIAPO HERITAGE ZONE ACT
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2325** “AN ACT LOWERING THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT WORKERS FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS TO FIFTY-SIX (56) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13-A OF REPUBLIC ACT 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997”

- Short Title: LOWERING THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT WORKER FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS TO FIFTY (56) YEARS
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2326** “AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT 8293, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- Short Title: AMENDING R.A. NO. 8293 (THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES)
- Date Filed: July 18, 2023

**SBN-2401** “AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION UNITS (WCPU) IN ALL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS”

- Short Title: WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION UNITS ACT OF 2023
- Date Filed: August 10, 2023

**SBN-2402** “AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT IN THE PROCUREMENT OF MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES PRODUCED, MADE, AND MANUFACTURED IN THE PHILIPPINES AMENDING SECTIONS 4 AND 43 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184 ENTITLED

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MODERNIZATION, STANDARDIZATION AND REGULATION OF THE PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: BUY LOCAL ACT
- Date Filed: August 10, 2023

**SBN-2403** “AN ACT DECRIMINALIZING LIBEL, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 353, 354, 355,356, 357, 360, 361, AND 362 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE, AND SUB-PARAGRAPH 4 OF SECTION 4(C) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10175, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CYBERCRIME PREVENTION ACT OF 2012, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: DECRIMINALIZING LIBEL
- Date Filed: August 10, 2023

**SBN-2428** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SEED LIBRARIES THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES, APPROPRIATING THE NECESSARY FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: ESTABLISHMENT OF SEED LIBRARIES THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES
- Date Filed: August 30, 2023

**SBN-2429** “AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7743, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL, CITY AND MUNICIPAL LIBRARIES AND BARANGAY READING CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: AMENDING R.A.NO. 7743 (ESTABLISHMENT OF CONGRESSIONAL, CITY, AND MUNICIPAL LIBRARIES)
- Date Filed: August 30, 2023

**SBN-2430** “AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF RIZAL AS NATURALIST AND MEDICAL DOCTOR IN THE TEACHING OF RIZAL AT

ALL LEVELS AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1425, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE RIZAL LAW”

- Short Title: AMENDING R.A.NO. 1425 (THE RIZAL LAW)
- Date Filed: August 30, 2023

**SBN-2439** “AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE ECOSYSTEM AND NATURAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM, MANDATING ITS USE IN POLICY AND DECISION-MAKING, DESIGNATING THE AGENCIES RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION, PROVIDING INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AMONG RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE ECOSYSTEM AND NATURAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTING SYSTEM (PENCAS) ACT
- Date Filed: September 12, 2023

**SBN-2439** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR BLUE ECONOMY, PROMOTING STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL AND MARINE ECOSYSTEMS AND RESOURCES”

- Short Title: BLUE ECONOMY ACT
- Date Filed: September 25, 2023

**SBN-2450** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR BLUE ECONOMY, PROMOTING STEWARDSHIP AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF COASTAL AND MARINE ECOSYSTEMS AND RESOURCES”

- Short Title: BLUE ECONOMY ACT
- Date Filed: September 25, 2023

**SBN-2582** “AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (CHR) AS A NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTION (NHRI) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS (CHR) CHARTER
- Date Filed: March 4, 2024

**SBN-2583** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE AKLAN PINA MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KALIBO, AKLAN, ITS SATELLITE CENTERS, DEFINING ITS PURPOSES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: THE AKLAN PINA MUSEUM AND CULTURAL CENTER ACT
- Date Filed: March 4, 2024

**SBN-2584** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE BLOOD DISEASE AND TRANSFUSION CENTER, DEFINING ITS OBJECTIVES, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE BLOOD DISEASE AND TRANSFUSION CENTER ACT
- Date Filed: March 4, 2024

**SBN-2585** “AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE BLOOD CENTER AND REGIONAL BLOOD CENTERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE BLOOD CENTER ACT
- Date Filed: March 4, 2024

**SBN-2609** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SYSTEM, CREATING THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY AND ALLOCATING FUNDING THEREFOR”

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT SYSTEM ACT
- Date Filed: March 14, 2024

**SBN-2628** “AN ACT STANDARDIZING THE RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF JUSTICES, JUDGES, AND JUDICIARY OFFICIALS WITH JUDICIAL RANK, SALARY AND PRIVILEGES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 910, AS AMENDED”

- Short Title: RETIREMENT BENEFITS OF JUSTICES, JUDGES, AND JUDICIARY OFFICIALS WITH JUDICIAL RANK, SALARY
- Date Filed: April 2, 2024

**SBN-2636** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF WASTE WORKERS”

- Short Title: MAGNA CARTA OF WASTE WORKERS
- Date Filed: April 17, 2024

**SBN-2652** “AN ACT DECLARING STA. ANA DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF MANILA A HISTORICAL- CULTURAL HERITAGE ZONE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: STA. ANA HERITAGE ZONE
- Date Filed: May 6, 2024

**SBN-2653** “AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF RIZAL AS A NATURALIST AND MEDICAL DOCTOR IN THE TEACHING OF RIZAL IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, AND UNIVERSITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1425, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE RIZAL LAW”

- Short Title: INCLUSION OF RIZAL AS NATURALIST AND MEDICAL DOCTOR IN THE TEACHING OF RIZAL IN SCHOOLS
- Date Filed: May 6, 2024



## **B. CO-AUTHORED SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS**

**SBN-2367** “AN ACT ENSURING THAT SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES UNDER THE K TO 12 PROGRAMS ARE EQUIPPED WITH THE KNOWLEDGE, TRAINING AND SKILLS DEMANDED IN THE LABOR MARKET, ENHANCING THEIR EMPLOYABILITY AND COMPETITIVENESS, CREATING THE BATANG MAGALING COUNCILS TO STRENGTHEN MULTI-STAKEHOLDER COLLABORATION AND SUPPORT FOR THEIR EMPLOYMENT, ALLOWING DEDUCTION OF TRAINING EXPENSES INCURRED FOR THEIR SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: BATANG MAGALING ACT
- Date Filed: July 26, 2023

**SBN-2387** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PROTECTION OF GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL OR NATURAL (UNPROCESSED OR WILD) PRODUCTS, PROCESSED PRODUCTS, WINES AND SPIRITS, OR ANY PRODUCTS OF HANDICRAFT OR INDUSTRY”

- Short Title: PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS ACT
- Date Filed: August 3, 2023

**SBN-2426** “AN ACT MANDATING THE FORMULATION, FUNDING, IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING, AND EVALUATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE AND MULTI-YEAR”

- Short Title: TATAK PINOY (PROUDLY FILIPINO) ACT
- Date Filed: August 24, 2023

**SBN-2441** “AN ACT MANDATING PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS TO WAIVE COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION FEES AND CHARGES OF CERTAIN STUDENTS QUALIFIED TO APPLY FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION”

- Short Title: FREE COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS ACT
- Date Filed: September 14, 2023

**SBN-2444** "AN ACT LOWERING THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT WORKERS FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS TO FIFTY-SIX (56) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13-A OF REPUBLIC ACT 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997"

- Short Title: LOWERING THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO 56 YEARS OLD
- Date Filed: September 20, 2023

**SBN-2455** "AN ACT REVITALIZING AND STRENGTHENING THE SELF-RELIANT DEFENSE POSTURE PROGRAM AND PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL DEFENSE INDUSTRY PURSUANT THERETO AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Short Title: SELF-RELIANT DEFENSE POSTURE REVITALIZATION ACT
- Date Filed: September 27, 2023

**SBN-2466** "AN ACT REVISING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Short Title: REVISED GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT
- Date Filed: October 12, 2023

**SBN-2492** "AN ACT DECLARING THE MARITIME ZONES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES"

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE MARITIME ZONES ACT
- Date Filed: November 21, 2023

**SBN-2507** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NEGROS ISLAND REGION "

- Short Title: NEGROS ISLAND REGION ACT
- Date Filed: December 6, 2023

**SBN-2513** "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BAMBOO INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT IN THE PHILIPPINES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Short Title: KAWAYAN ACT
- Date Filed: December 12, 2023

**SBN-2534** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A ONE HUNDRED PESOS (P100.00) DAILY MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE FOR EMPLOYEES AND WORKERS IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR"

- Short Title: P100 DAILY MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE ACT OF 2023
- Date Filed: February 7, 2024

**SBN-2558** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS, RATIONALIZING THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND CREATING A COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND THEREFOR "

- Short Title: LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY (LPD) INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS ACT
- Date Filed: February 19, 2024

**SBN-2560** "AN ACT PROHIBITING MONEY MUIES AND OTHER FRAUDUIENT ACTS INVOLVING BANK ACCOUNTS, E-WALLETS, AND OTHER FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFORE "

- Short Title: ANTI-FINANCIAL ACCOUNT SCAMMING ACT (AFASA)
- Date Filed: February 19, 2024

**SBN-2593** "AN ACT REVISING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9184 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT REFORM ACT' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Short Title: NEW GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT ACT
- Date Filed: March 6, 2024

**SBN-2596** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LEGAL SCHOLARSHIP AND RETURN SERVICE PROGRAM FOR DESERVING STUDENTS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: ABOGADO PARA SA BAYAN ACT
- Date Filed: March 11, 2024

**SBN-2598** “AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCS) MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT
- Date Filed: March 11, 2024

**SBN-2614** “AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MARIA AURORA, BALER, SAN LUIS, AND DINGALAN IN THE PROVINCE OF AURORA AND BONGABON, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE AURORA MEMORIAL PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (AMPL), PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: AURORA MEMORIAL PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (AMPL) ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2615** “AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MAYANTOC AND SAN JOSE, PROVINCE OF TARLAC AS A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (ENIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE MT. SAWTOOTH PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: MT. SAWTOOTH PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (MSPL) ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2616** “AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF POLANGUI AND OAS, AND CITIES OF LIGAO AND TABACO, IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBAY, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE MT. MASARAGA PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (MMPL), PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: MT. MASARAGA PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (MMPL) ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2617** “AN ACT DECLARING THE WATERS SURROUNDING PANAON ISLAND SITUATED IN THE PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AS PROTECTED SEASCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE PANAON ISLAND PROTECTED SEASCAPE (PIPS), PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: PANAON ISLAND PROTECTED SEASCAPE (PIPS) ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2618** “AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF PRESIDENT MANUEL A. ROXAS, KATIPUNAN AND SERGIO OSMENA IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS) TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE MT. GUTOM PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (MGPL), PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: MT. GUTOM PROTECTED LANDSCAPE (MGPL) ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2619** “AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SULTAN NAGA DIMAPORO, IN THE PROVINCE OF

LANAO DEL NORTE, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE AND SEASCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE SULTAN NAGA DIMAPORO PROTECTED LANDSCAPE AND SEASCAPE (SNDPLS), PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Short Title: NAGA DIMAPORO PROTECTED LANDSCAPE AND SEASCAPE ACT
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024

**SBN-2620** "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11223, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT'"

- Short Title: UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT (AMENDING RA. NO. 11223)
- Date Filed: March 19, 2024



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