



# UPDATE

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**I. SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS PRIMARILY REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN, CHILDREN, FAMILY RELATIONS AND GENDER EQUALITY**

**SBN-2293** “AN ACT DEFINING ELECTRONIC VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN, PROVIDING PROTECTIVE MEASURES, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9262, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANTI-VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN ACT OF 2004”

- Short Title: EXPANDED ANTI-VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN (E-VAWC) ACT
- Date Filed: July 24, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. MARK A. VILLAR

**SBN-2315** “AN ACT ESTABLISHING NURSERY AND CHILDCARE FACILITIES PROXIMATE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS, PROMOTING ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: ESTABLISHING NURSERY AND CHILDCARE FACILITIES PROXIMATE TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS
- Date Filed: July 17, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. MARK A. VILLAR

**SBN-2371** “AN ACT DESIGNATING THE SECOND SUNDAY OF SEPTEMBER AS THE NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY ACT
- Date Filed: August 1, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. IMEE R. MARCOS

**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
- Introduced by: Hon. LOREN LEGARDA

**SBN-2443** “AN ACT EXPANDING THE GROUNDS FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE, INSTITUTING DIVORCE AND SETTING THE PROCEDURES THEREOF, PROVIDING PROTECTIONS TO THE PARTIES TO THE MARRIAGE AND ITS COMMON CHILDREN, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OR THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- Short Title: DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE ACT
- Date Filed: September 18, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. RISA HONTIVEROS

**SBN-2471** “AN ACT STRENGTHENING PROTECTIONS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9208, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10364, ENTITLED AN ACT TO INSTITUTE POLICIES TO ELIMINATE TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND/OR CHILDREN, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR ITS VIOLATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: EXPANDED ANTI-TRAFFICKING ACT OF 2023
- Date Filed: November 6, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. RISA HONTIVEROS

**SBN-2529** “AN ACT REORGANIZING THE COUNCIL FOR THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN INTO THE PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- Short Title: PHILIPPINE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN ACT
- Date Filed: February 5, 2024
- Introduced by: Hon. RISA HONTIVEROS

**SBN-2612** “THE MAGNA CARTA OF CHILDREN ”

- Short Title: PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF CHILDREN
- Date Filed: March 18, 2024
- Introduced by: Hon. RISA HONTIVEROS

## II. SENATE BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SECONDARILY REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN, CHILDREN, FAMILY RELATIONS AND GENDER EQUALITY

**SBN-2423** “AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING SUPPORT MECHANISMS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL IN MATTERS OF STUDENT DISCIPLINE AND MECHANISMS FOR CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT AND PROVIDING FOR THEIR PROTECTION IN CASES RELATED THERETO”

- Short Title: CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT SUPPORT AND PROTECTION FOR TEACHERS ACT
- Date Filed: August 23, 2023
- Introduced by: Hon. MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

**SBN-2575** “AN ACT ENSURING THE ALIGNMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10410, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'EARLY YEARS ACT (EYA) OF 2013', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- Short Title: BASIC EDUCATION AND EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT ALIGNMENT ACT
- Date Filed: March 18, 2024
- Introduced by: Hon. SONNY ANGARA



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