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"In The People's Trust."*

By Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile

To my countrymen, distinguished colleagues in the Senate, ladies and gentlemen. Today, I have the honor and the distinct pleasure of addressing a nation that is energized by the spirit of unity, democracy and heightened political responsibility.

In behalf of the Senate and in compliance with our duty to report to the people, I have the honor of summarizing the Senate's main legislative accomplishments during the Second Regular Session of the 15th Congress.

As you know in the past months, our nation braved the turbulence of an impeachment trial.

We in the Senate, together with our people, had to confront the disruptive task of putting a man's fate in the balance and, in so doing, test the institutions that comprise our government and the system of checks and balances that characterize our democracy.

The conflict we needed to resolve was far from simple. The complaint was directed against the head of a

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co-equal branch of government. It was imperative that we presented the Senate as an Impeachment Court devoted not only to seeking the truth, but to upholding the highest form of civility.

In the exercise of our Constitutional obligation to try and decide the impeachment case against the Chief Justice, we kept our resolve to give due respect to individuals, observing processes that adhered to our Bill of Rights. We maintained the delicate balance of the separation of powers and staved off the spectre of a Constitutional crisis.

Subsequently, the peoples' acceptance of the Senate's verdict affirmed to all that the will of the people found its voice in the Senate. For this, our nation marks a day in history where we—once again—spoke as one.

But even as we have risen to the challenge of the impeachment trial, it has not left us unscathed. The primacy of the constitutional process may have invigorated our sense of nationhood, but the bitter fissures in the trial's aftermath threaten the work that lies ahead.

We take comfort in the thought that, as a nation, we have overcome greater obstacles in the past. Through legislative and fiscal policy, our government has guided us out of regional and global economic challenges in the past. And, to their credit, our people have been a stabilizing force in the country's political tribulations.

The recent impeachment trial has brought us to another level of political maturity. One that has not been felt for a long time. It is hoped that its long-term repercussions will redound to the common good.

Let us trust that time will heal the fracture in our society. Working together, we can clear the rubble, rebuild and renew the vision we have of a dynamic democracy. With full trust and undying faith, let us allow the Almighty to lead our nation to move forward in peace.

To end our report about the impeachment hearings, we would like to acknowledge the commendable work of the men and women in the Senate Secretariat and the Senate Proper who helped the Impeachment Court and rendered extended hours of service throughout the trial.

I would also like to commend the professionalism of the Senate Press Corps in their sober and unbiased coverage of the hearings. *Maraming salamat sa inyong lahat!*

It is also with pride that I wish to report that despite the very taxing impeachment hearings, the Senate, through its various committees and in Plenary, continued to work on its legislative duties.

Prior to the commencement of the Impeachment Trial, the Congress has already enacted several pertinent laws addressing different major reforms the administration has committed to, namely: Republic Act (RA) No. 10154, or the Early Release of Retirement Pay Act; RA No. 10155 or the General Appropriations Act for 2012; RA No. 10156, Conferment of Civil Service Eligibility to Members of Sangguniang Bayan, Panglungsod and Panlalawigan; RA No. 10157, an act institutionalizing the Kindergarten Education into Basic Education System; and, lastly, RA No. 10158, an act decriminilizing Vagrancy.

While all of these laws have their own significance and relevance, the Senate once again takes pride in the fact that we passed the National Budget once again in record time. RA No. 10155 provided for a total amount of P1.816 Trillion for public expenditure programs, thus giving priority to the Department of Education; Department of Public Works and Highways; Department of Interior and Local Government, and the Department of National Defense. Also, the Congress passed Joint Resolution No. 2, increasing the Corporate Operating Budget of the NAPOCOR.

Four (4) measures converting the municipalities of Bacoor, Imus, Cabuyao and Mabalacat into component cities,

were likewise enacted into law. Hopefully, these will serve as an impetus for sustained economic and socio-political growth in these localities as well as the provinces and regions where these new cities are located in.

Another bill of local application was also signed into law and this is RA No. 10162 which created two (2) additional Regional Trial Court Branches in Sta. Rosa City, in the province of Laguna.

As of today, five (5) measures are pending approval of the President and these are:

- 1. S. No. 2486 The Foster Care Act
- 2. S. No. 2941 An Regulating the Practice of Geology in the Philippines
- S. Jt. Res. No. 17 Annulling the Book of Voters of the Municipalities/Cities in the ARMM, Directing the COMELEC To Immediately Conduct A New General Registration of Voters in the Region
- 4. S. No, 2811- People's Survival Fund, and
- 5. S. No. 3009 An Act To Further Strengthen The Anti-Money Laundering Law

In anticipation of the elections in May 2013, Congress passed Joint Resolution No. 17, which annuls the Book of Voters in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao (ARMM). More importantly, the Joint Resolution directed the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) to immediately conduct a new general registration of voters in the region, which was last done in 2003.

This resolution by Congress was arrived at after Congressional hearings revealed that, due to unscrupulous activities, the current Book of Voters in the ARMM has been heavily padded with false, fake or illegal registrants. As in fact, data presented to Congress reveals that the current

number of registered voters exceeded the population in the area.

With this Joint Resolution, your Senate hopes that the purging of the Book of Voters will reflect the real voice of the region and ensure the credibility of the coming elections. Finally, we note that this Joint Resolution is a timely support for RA No. 10153, which provides for the synchronization of the elections in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao with the national and local elections.

We are likewise submitting for approval of the President SB No. 3009, which amends the Anti-Money Laundering Law by making the application for inquiry into deposits and investments *ex parte*—thereby effectively giving more teeth to the law, curtailing the infusion of illegal money into the mainstream economy. This measure was certified urgent to avoid possible sanctions and inclusion in the blacklist by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF).

We are also sending for the concurrence of the House of Representatives, SB No. 3127, or "The Act Defining the Crime of Financing of Terrorism", which criminalizes the financing of terrorist activities and penalizes any person who deals with property or funds from terrorist organizations.

Mindful of the climate change happening globally, we have already enacted in the previous Congress major pieces of legislation – the Climate Change Act and the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act. This time, we aim to have a more intensive and aggressive fight addressing the country's ability to lessen, if not totally eradicate, the catastrophe of climate change by passing the People's Survival Fund that will provide long term finance streams to enable the government to effectively respond to the problems of climate change.

In line also with the fast changing modern world of technology and wider reach of the internet, the Senate has committed itself to craft more responsive and up-to-date measures that will further deepen the protection of every Filipino against any harm and transgression arising from cybercrimes and other related offenses, thus it prioritized the passage of the Act Defining Cybercrime and the Data Privacy Act, which will soon be submitted for approval of the President. On the other hand, the bill creating the Department of Information and Communication Technology is pending in the Conference Committee.

In addition to all these, the various Committees of the Senate worked for and shepherded the consideration of other bills which have been approved, and are now pending, in the House of Representatives for concurrence:

- S. No. 1537 Protecting The Confidentiality of Victim's and Witness' Address and Telephone Number During Trial or Hearing Related To A Criminal Prosecution
- 2. S. No. 2817 Defining and Penalizing the Crime of Enforced or Involuntary Disappearance
- S. No. 2875 Providing for Security of Tenure For All Casual and Contractual Employees of the Government Who Have Rendered the Prescribed Years of Service in the National Government Agencies and the Local Government Units and for Other Purposes
- 4. S. No. 3113 Further Authorizing The City or Municipal Civil Registrar or The Consul-General To Correct Clerical or Typographical Errors in the Day and Month in the Date of Birth or Sex of A Person Appearing in the Civil Register Without Need of A Judicial Order, Amending For This Purpose Republic Act Numbered Ninety Forty-Eight
- 5. S. No. 3146 Reviving the Observance of Arbor Day by Authorizing the Local Government Units

- the Responsibilities for Celebrating the Day for Tree-Planting as an Annual Event
- S. No. 2814 Prohibiting Discrimination, Profiling, Violence and All Forms of Intolerance Against Persons Based on Ethnicity, Race, Religion or Belief, Sex, Gender, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Language, Disability, or Other Status
- 7. H. No. 4245 Reapportioning the Second (2nd) Legislative District of Quezon City, Thereby Creating Two (2) Additional Legislative Districts and Twelve (12) Sangguniang Panlungsod Seats from Such Reapportionment
- 8. H. No. 5917 Converting the Municipality of Ilagan In The Province of Isabela Into A Component City To Be Known As The City of Ilagan

We have also concurred in the ratification of the following treaties:

- 1. International Criminal Court
- 2. Geneva Convention, International Armed Conflicts
- 3. Protocol, Convention Against Torture
- 4. RP-International Center for Living Aquatic Resource Management
- 5. RP-UK Mutual legal assistance
- 6. RP-China Consular Agreement
- 7. RP-China Mutual Legal assistance
- 8. RP-Spain Convention on Social Security

In sum, the Senate from the beginning of the 15th Congress has passed 17 Laws, 32 Senate Bills and 18 House

Bills on 3rd Reading, three (3) Joint Resolutions, concurred in the ratification of eight (8) Treaties and adopted 81 simple Resolutions as well as eight (8) Concurrent Resolutions.

In closing, permit me to make a confession. With candor, I will admit that this Second Regular Session has been the most challenging that I have had to lead, and mostly in part because of the impeachment.

Nevertheless, I am happy that this task was shared meaningfully and with great dedication by the great minds of my colleagues. I am forever thankful to the Almighty for having been given the chance to lead a group of Senators steadfast and unified in keeping the honor of the Senate. We did our very best to keep the embers of trust reposed in us by our people glowing as we march as a nation towards progress.

I extend my hand in appreciation and admiration for the work we have accomplished and the future endeavors that we shall share.

Mabuhay ang Senado!

Mabuhay ang sambayanang Pilipino!

SURVEY OF SENATE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS SECOND REGULAR SESSION JULY 25, 2011 - JUNE 8, 2012

APPROPRIATIONS

R.A. No. 10155 AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES FROM JANUARY ONE TO DECEMBER THIRTY-ONE, TWO THOUSAND TWELVE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (H. No. 5023) [December 15, 2011]

The General Appropriations Act (GAA) of 2012 provides for a P1.816 trillion national budget for Fiscal Year 2012, an increase of 10.4% from previous year's budget.

Described as a "results-focused" budget, the 2012 GAA defines five priority areas: transparent, accountable, and participatory governance; poverty reduction and empowerment of the poor and vulnerable; rapid, inclusive, and sustained economic growth; just and lasting peace and the rule of law; and integrity of the environment and climate change adaptation and mitigation.

Of the various govenrment agencies, the Department of Education received the highest allocation at P238.8 billion followed by the Department of Public Works and Highways (P125.5 billion), Department of National Defense (P108.1 billion), Department of Interior and Local Government (P99.8 billion), Department of Agriculture (P43.3 billion), Department of Social Welfate and Development (P48.9 billion), Department of Health (P44.4 billion), Department of Transportation and Communications (P34.7 Billion), and Department of Agrarian Reform (P18.3 billion).

By sector, social services and education received the highest funding with a combined total appropriation of P568.6 billion, or 31.3% of the budget. The economic services sector was alloted with P438.8 billion, debt servicing with P356.1 billion, general public services with P338.1 billion, and defense with P114.4 billion.

S. No. 2857 AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CSOs) IN THE PREPARATION AND AUTHORIZATION PROCESS OF THE ANNUAL NATIONAL BUDGET, PROVIDING EFFECTIVE MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks to allow the participation of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs), in the preparation of the annual national budget. Aimed to promote further transparency, it is envisioned that the participation of CSOs will help ensure adequate consultation in the preparation of the annual national budget.

CSOs may opt to be accredited with the concerned National Government Agency (NGA) or GOCC, the Senate or the House of Representatives. Non-accredited CSOs can still participate in the budget process by submitting position papers for the NGA's or the GOCC's consideration and by attending and observing public consultations.

BANKING AND FINANCE

R.A. No. 10167 AN ACT TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING LAW, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 10 AND 11 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT OF 2001", AS AMENDED, AND FOR

OTHER PURPOSES (S. No. 3009/H. No. 4275) [June 18, 2012]

This Act amends Sections 10 and 11 of the Anti-Money Laundering Law, by authorizing the Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC) to inquire into or examine any particular deposit or investment including related accounts upon order of any competent court based on an *ex parte* application that there is probable cause that said deposit, investment or account is related to an unlawful activity or a money laundering offense.

As for the freezing of monetary instrument or property, the Court of Appeals may issue a freeze order upon verified *ex parte* petition by AMLC and after determination that probable cause exists that any monetary instrument or property is in any way related to an unlawful activity.

The Court of Appeals should act on the petition to freeze or on the application to inquire into or examine any deposit or investment including related accounts within 24 hours from filing such petition/application.

R.A. No. 10168 AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF FINANCING OF TERRORISM, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (S. No. 3127/H. No. 5015) [June 18, 2012]

The Terrorism Financing Prevention and Suppresion Act of 2012 reinforces the fight against terrorism by criminalizing the financing of terrorism and providing penalties therefor. Any person who, directly or indirectly, willfully and without lawful excuse, possesses, provides, collects or uses property or funds, or makes available property, funds or financial service or other related services, by any means, with the unlawful and willful intention that they should be used or with the knowledge that they are to be used, in full or in part: (a) to carry out or facilitate the commission of

any terrorist act; (b) by a terrorist organization, association or group; or (c) by an individual terrorist, shall be guilty of the crime of financing of terrorism and shall suffer the penalty of *reclusion temporal* in its maximum period to *reclusion perpetua* and a fine of not less than P500,000.00 nor more than One Million Pesos (P1,000.000).

The Anti-Money Laundering Council (AMLC), either upon its own initiative or at the request of the Anti-Terrorism Council (ATC), is authorized to investigate; (a) any property or funds that are in any way related to financing of terrorism or acts of terrorism; (b) property or funds of any person or person in relation to whom there is probable cause to believe that such person or persons are committing or attempting or conspiring to commit, or participating in or facilitating the financing of terrorism or acts of terrorism as defined. Further the AMLC has the authority to issue an *ex parte* order to freeze property or funds for a period not exceeding 20 days.

Jt. Res. No. 2 JOINT RESOLUTION INCREASING THE FY 2011 CORPORATE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE NATIONAL POWER CORPORATION FROM SEVEN BILLION FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND PESOS (Php7,575,184,000.00) TO THIRTEEN BILLION NINE HUNDRED SIXTY-EIGHT MILLION SIX HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND PESOS (Php13,968,602,000.00) (S. Jt. Res. 13/H. Jt. Res. 27) [December 23, 2011]

This Joint Resolution increases the corporate operating budget of the National Power Corporation (NPC) to P13.968 billion or by an additional amount of P6.393 billion.

The said amount shall primarily cover the requirements for full, purchased power, rental of generating sets, new power providers' subsidy, debt service and capital expenditures. It also address NPC's debt service in the

amount of P3.218 billion obtained in FY 2009 and programmed for payment on year 2011 including interest expense that were not part of the basis for the FY 2011 GAA approved level.

The additional budget shall be sourced from expected additional collections of the Universal Charge for Missionary Electrification-True Up estimated at P1.794 billion, the national government subsidy of P3 billion for the repayment of maturing short term facility and the expected partial reimbursement from PSALM Corporation on NPC advances to the Bureau of Internal Revenue for value added taxes on the sale of main grid power plants in the amount of P2.265 billion.

S. No. 3123 AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING LAW, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT OF 2001', AS AMENDED

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill expands the scope of covered institutions and individuals or those who are required to submit covered and suspicious transaction reports. It includes foreign exchange corporations, money changers, money payment, remittance and transfer companies and other similar entities; pre-need companies, casinos, including internet casinos; real estate agents; dealers in precious metals; dealers in precious stones; trust and company service providers; and persons who provide any of the following services: (a) buying and selling of real estate; (b) managing of client money, securities or other assets; (c) management of bank, savings or securities accounts; (d) organization of contributions for the creation, operation or management of juridical persons or arrangements, and buying and selling business entities.

"Unlawful activities" as defined on the AMLA now includes terrorism and conspiracy to commit terrorism; bribery; frauds and illegal exactions and transactions; malversation of public funds and property; forgeries and counterfeiting; and violations of certain sections of several laws.

Any person charged with and convicted of both the offense of money laundering and the unlawful activity may also be prosecuted for Tax Evasion on income derived from such unlawful activity.

CIVIL SERVICE

R.A. No. 10156 AN ACT CONFERRING UPON MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN, SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD, AND SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, THE APPROPRIATE CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (S. No. 2946/H. No. 4357) [December 20, 2011]

This law confers Career Service Professional Eligibility to a member of the *Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panglungsod*, and *Sangguniang Panlalawigan* who has served for an aggregate period of nine (9) years in office provided that such member must be a holder of a bachelor's degree. It also grants Career Service Sub-Professional Eligibility to those who have served an aggregate period of six years and have earned 72 units in any baccalaureate degree program. The eligibility granted shall be considered appropriate for second and first level positions in the career service respectively, except those which require qualifications in skills or trade test and/or requiring board examinations and other special eligibilities provided under special laws.

The coverage of this law shall extend to all members of the Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panlungsod, and the Sangguniang Panlalawigan who have been elected after the effectivity of the Local Government Code of 1991.

R.A. No. 10166 AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF GEOLOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPULIC ACT NUMBERED FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINE (R.A. NO. 4209), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "GEOLOGY PROFESSION ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (S. No. 2941/H. No. 5640) [June 11, 2012]

This law provides for the regulation of the practice of geology; examination, registration and licensure; and the development of the professional competence of geologists through continuing professional education. The law also provides for the integratin of geologists into a national professional organization of geologists that will be duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

S. No. 2671 AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CAREER EXECUTIVE SYSTEM

Status: Vetoed by the President

S. No. 2757 AN ACT PROMOTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN REAL ESTATE SERVICE IN THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9646, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REAL ESTATE SERVICE ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill aims to promote employment opportunities in real estate service by amending certain provisions of the Real Estate Service Act, particularly the qualifications of real estate salesperson and for the accreditation and engagement of partnership or corporation in the business of real estate service.

As proposed in the bill, relevant education in real estate, urban planning marketing, management, business

administration and other similar courses will suffice for accreditation as real estate salesperson in lieu of the previous requirement of completion of two years of college education. A person who has accumulated three years of experience in real estate as attested by a real estate developer or broker may also be accredited.

In the engagement of a partnership or corporation in the business of real estate service, the bill seeks the removal of the requirement that there shall at least be one licensed real estate broker for every twenty accredited salesperson.

S. No. 2875 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE FOR ALL CASUAL AND CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT WHO HAVE RENDERED THE PRESCRIBED YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Third Reading/Pending in the House of Representatives

The bill seeks to provide security of tenure to all incumbent casual and contractual government employees who have rendered at least five years of continuous service in the national government agencies or a total of 10 years of continuous service in the local government units. The requirement of continuous service may be waived when the employee's service was interrupted by not more than three years, taken cumulatively, due to abolition of his position or reorganization of the office. The requirement of continuous service may likewise be waived if the interruption of service is not more than 18 months, taken cumulatively, so long as the minimum required period is met.

S. No. 3137 AN ACT REGULATING THE EDUCATION AND LICENSURE OF PHYSICIANS AND THE PRACTICE OF MEDICINE IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill seeks to supervise, control and regulate the practice of medicine and the integration of physicians under a national Accredited Professional Organization (APO) of Physicians.

The bill proposes the creation of a Council of Medical Education and the Professional Regulatory Board of Medicine under the Professional Regulation Commission. The Council, among others, shall be tasked to determine the requirements for admission into a recognized college of medicine and recommend to the Commission on Higher Education the closure or suspension of the degree of Doctor of Medicine program of a college of medicine based on the performance of the said college in the Physician Licensure Examination.

S. No. 3138 AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHT, ENTITLED 'LAW REGULATING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES', AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

Under the proposed measure, all applicants for registration for the practice of Environmental Planning shall be required to pass a professional licensure examination prepared by the Board. A person who is registered and licensed to practice Environemtal Planning shall be called an Environment Planner.

"Environmental Planning" shall refer to the art and science of analyzing, managing and regulating the use and

development of land and water resources, in relation to their environs, for the development of sustainable communities and ecosystems. It is also known as "urban and regional planning, city planning, town and country planning, and/or human settlements planning."

S. No. 3139 AN ACT TO REGULATE AND MODERNIZE THE PRACTICE OF THE INTERIOR DESIGN IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 8534 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF INTERIOR DESIGN IN THE PHILIPPINES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill proposes to regulate and modernize the practice of interior design to promote the sustained development of professional interior designers through credible licensure examinations and regulatory measures of the profession.

A certificate of registration shall be issued to applicants who pass the examination for interior designers subject to payment of registration. Further the bill provides for the rules on the issuances, revocation and suspension of such certificate and Professional Identification Card.

S. No. 3140 AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY IN THE PHILIPPINES, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5921, THE PHARMACY LAW, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill aims to supervise, control and regulate the practice of pharmacy and integrate the pharmacy profession.

Applicants for registration for the practice of pharmacy shall be required to pass a licensure examination prepared and conducted by the Board.

S. No. 3215 AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CAREER EXECUTIVE SERVICE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The proposed "Career Executive Service Act of 2012" seeks to improve and strengthen the Career Executive System to provide the public sector with a well-selected and development-oriented corps of public managers in the civil service.

The Career Executive System shall cover all executive and managerial positions in the "third level" of the career service in the executive branch of government. "Third Level," as defined under the proposed measure covers all positions higher than chief of division based on the position classification system of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Civil Service Commission (CSC).

Entry and advancement in the System shall be governed by the principles of merit and fitness and such other requirements, as may be prescribed by the Career Executive Service Board (CESB).

The CESB shall be the policy-making body of the Career Executive System and shall be under the supervision of the CSC. It shall promulgate rules, standards and procedures in the recruitment, selection, assignment to positions, attestation of appointment to Career Executive Service (CES) positions, conferment of ranks, classification, compensation, mobility, performance management, tour of duty, rewards and incentives, and training and career development of Career Executive Service Officers (CESOs) and Career Executive Service Eligibles (CESEs). However,

the CSC, may *motu proprio* review, revise, reverse or modify any policy, ruling and/or action of the CESB.

Investigation and adjudication of administrative complaints against occupants of positions in the CES, who are appointed by the President, shall be vested with the Office of the President. In the case of non-presidential appointees, the same shall be vested concurrently in the head of the agency and the Civil Service Commission.

If this bill is enacted into law, Article IV, Part III of the Integrated Reorganization Plan under Presidential Decree No. 1 as amended and affected provisions of the Revised Administrative Code of 1987 and Executive Order No. 891 (Series of 2010) shall be repealed.

CULTURAL COMMUNITIES

S. No. 2814 AN ACT PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION, PROFILING, VIOLENCE AND ALL FORMS OF INTOLERANCE AGAINST PERSONS BASED ON ETHNICITY, RACE, RELIGION OR BELIEF, SEX, GENDER, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, LANGUAGE, DISABILITY, OR OTHER STATUS

Status: Pending in the Conference Committee

Under the proposed measure, acts of discrimination and intolerance are committed when a person treats another less favorably on the basis of ethnicity, race, religion or belief, sex, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, language, disability, or other status than the person treats or would treat another without that attribute, or with a different attribute, on the same or similar circumstances in employment, education, accommodation and delivery of services. On the other hand, Profiling is the practice of relying to any degree on race, color, descent or national or ethnic origin and religious belief or affiliation as a basis for

subjecting persons to investigatory activities or for determining whether an individual is engaged in criminal activity.

Any person, natural or juridical including the government, government-owned and controlled corporations who commits discrimination or profiling against any person shall be liable as well as those who requests, instructs, induces, encourages, authorizes or assists another to commit such acts.

The bill seeks to mandate the creation of an Equal Opportunity Committee in agencies, corporations, companies and educational institutions, whether private or public, to ensure compliance of the provisions of this bill. The said committee shall have administrative jurisdiction over cases involving discrimination.

EDUCATION

R.A. No. 10157 AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE KINDERGARTEN EDUCATION INTO THE BASIC EDUCATION SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (H. No. 3826) [January 20, 2012]

Recognizing the vitality of Kindergarten Education to the academic and technical development of the Filipino child, this law institutionalizes Kindergarten Education as part of basic education. It shall be partially implemented for school year 2011-2012 and thereafter be made mandatory and compulsory for entrance to Grade I.

Generally, the mother tongue-based multilingual education (MTB-MLE) method shall be the primary medium of instruction except in the following cases:

 a) When the pupils in the kindergarten classroom have different mother tongues or when some speak another mother tongue;

- b) When the teacher speaks another mother tongue other than that of the learners;
- c) When there are unavailable resources in line with the use of the mother tongue;
- d) When teachers are untrained with the use of the MTB-MLE Program

On such instances, the DepEd shall determine the primary medium of instruction.

The Kindergarten Education program for the private and public schools shall be regulated by a new division under the Bureau of Elementary Education (BEE) of DepEd. Initial funding shall be taken from the current appropriations for kindergarten education of the DepEd.

S. No. 2802 AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE EARLY YEARS FROM ZERO (0) TO SIX (6) AS THE FIRST CRUCIAL STAGE OF EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND FOR THIS PURPOSE STRENGTHENING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, RENAMING THE DAY CARE CENTER AS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Vetoed by the President

S. No. 3204 AN ACT INSTITUTING THE PHILIPPINE PUBLIC SAFETY COLLEGE SYSTEM AS THE PREMIER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FOR TRAINING, HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND CONTINUING EDUCATION OF ALL POLICE, FIRE AND JAIL PERSONNEL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill provides for the institution of the Philippine Public Safety College System (PPSCS) as the premier educational institution for degree and non-degree programs,

in training, human resources development and continuing education for all police, fire and jail personnel.

The PPSCS shall provide quality education and training in the field of public order and safety for the Philippine National Police (PNP), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP) and the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology (BJMP). And it shall develop a highly competent police force that is national in scope but civilian in character that shall be primarily tasked with enforcing the law, preventing and controlling crimes and ensuring public safety and internal security with the active support of the community.

S. No. 3206 AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE EARLY YEARS FROM ZERO (0) TO AGE EIGHT (8) AS THE FIRST CRUCIAL STAGE OF EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, STRENGTHENING THE EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, AND RENAMING THE DAY CARE CENTER AS CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/ Pending in the House of Representatives

The bill seeks to promote the rights of children to survival, development and special protection with full recognition of the nature of childhood and as well as the need to provide developmentally appropriate experiences to address their needs. It seeks to institutionalize a National System for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) which is comprehensive, integrative and sustainable, that involves multi-sectoral and inter-agency collaboration at the national and local levels among government.

It shall promote the inclusion of children with special needs, and advocate respect for cultural and linguistic diversity. This system shall be anchored on complementary strategies for ECCD that include service delivery for children from zero (0) to eight (8), educating parents and caregivers, and encouraging active involvement of parents and communities in ECCD.

The bill proposes the appropriation of Five hundred million pesos per year for five years to the National ECCD Program. The amount shall be funded from the gross income of the Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation, which shall be directly remitted in four quarterly installments to a special account of the ECCD Council.

ELECTORAL REFORMS AND PEOPLE'S PARTICIPATION

Jt. Res. No. 17 JOINT RESOLUTION ANNULING THE BOOK OF VOTERS OF THE MUNICIPALITIES/CITIES IN THE AUTONOMOUS REGION OF MUSLIM MINDANAO, DIRECTING THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT A NEW GENERAL REGISTRATION OF VOTERS IN THE REGION, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (S. Jt. Res. No. 17/H. Jt. Res. No. 31) [June 11, 2012]

This Joint Resolution annuls the Book of Voters of the municipalities/cities in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao and further directs the Commission on Elections to immediately conduct a new general registration of voters on the said region, which was last done in 2003.

The Resolution also provides that the amount necessary to carry out the new general registration in the said region shall be charged against the savings of the COMELEC specifically realized from the postponement of the 2011 ARMM election.

ENVIRONMENT

S. No. 2811 AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PEOPLE'S SURVIVAL FUND TO PROVIDE LONG-TERM FINANCE STREAMS TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT TO EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF CLIMATE

Status: For Approval of the President

The proposed Act seeks to amend the "Climate Change Act of 2009" by proposing the creation of the "People's Survival Fund", a special trust fund for the financing of adaptation programs and projects based on the national strategic framework on climate change. The fund can be used by localities threatened by persistent flooding, by coastal communities facing rising sea levels to initiate local climate change adaptation plans and vulnerability assessments. Local government units can also tap the Fund to promote agriculture programs resilient to extreme temperatures and changing rainfalls.

The bill also seeks to establish a People's Survival Fund Board which will provide for overall strategic guidance in the management and use of the fund and shall promulgate policies that will maintain the fiduciary character of the board.

S. No. 3091 AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL LAND USE POLICY, PROVIDING THE IMPLEMENTING MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill seeks to institutionalize land use and physical planning as mechanisms for identifying, determining, and evaluating appropriate land use. Furthermore, it recognizes the need for rational, optimal and sustainable settlements development, consistent with the principle of environmental management.

S. No. 3146 AN ACT REVIVING THE OBSERVANCE OF ARBOR DAY BY AUTHORIZING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

UNITS THE RESPONSIBILITIES FOR CELEBRATING THE DAY FOR TREE-PLANTING AS AN ANNUAL EVENT

Status: For Approval of the President

In order to combat the loss of our natural resources and rejuvinate our environment, this bill seeks to require all provinces, cities and municipalities with their component barangays to declare an Arbor Day or Tree Planting Day, by appropriate proclamation of their respective local chief executives through an ordinance passed by the respective local sanggunian. The Arbor day shall be at a fixed date every calendar year as deemed conducive to the proper time and season for planting trees in the respective localities. The said day shall be declared as a public working holidat in order to ensure the participation of the different sectors of society.

To implement the objectives of this proposed measure, an Arbor Day Celebration Committee shall be created, the members of which shall preferably, composed of field officers of various governmen agencies. It will specify the area within the LGU to be planted or reforested. The Bureau of Plant Industry in coordination with the Philippine Coconut Authorit shall supply and distribute the seedlings to the LGUs for the Tree Planting program. The bill also proposes that all able-bodied citizens, who are at least 12 years of age, shall be required to plant one three every year.

FOREIGN RELATIONS

S. Res. No. 57 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE ROME STATUTE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT (PSR-546) [August 23, 2011]

Status: Adopted

In adopting Resolution No. 57, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

The International Criminal Court is a permanent institution that has the power to exercise its jurisdictions over persons for the most serious crimes of international concern, and is complementary to national criminal jurisdiction. It has jurisdiction with respect to the following most serious crimes of international concern:

- a. crime of genocide;
- b. crimes against humanity;
- c. war crimes; and
- d. crime of aggression.

The Rome Statute adopts the principle of complementarity, which recognizes a State's right to exercise jurisdiction over the said crime, it will only act if such State is unable or unwilling to carry out the investigation and prosecution of the crime.

Further, the ratification of the Rome Statute signifies our commitment to human rights and our contribution to an effective international criminal justice system.

S. Res. No. 77 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE PROTOCOL ADDITIONAL TO THE GENEVA CONVENTION OF 12 AUGUST 1949, AND RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF VICTIMS OF INTERNATIONAL ARMED CONFLICTS (PROTOCOL I) (PSR-663) [March 6, 2012]

Status: Adopted

In adopting Resolution No. 77, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949, and Relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I).

Protocol I and Protocol II supplement the Four Geneva Conventions in providing the civilian population protection from the direct effects of hostilities, and are gaining acceptance from the international community as part of customary international law.

The President of the Philippines ratified and submitted it to the Senate for concurrence, with the following understandings:

- a. The application of Protocol I, particularly Articles 1(4), 4 and 96 (3) shall not affect the legal status of the Parties to the conflict, nor the legal status of the concerned territory; as such, no claim of status of belligerency may be invoked therefrom;
- b. The application of Protocol I may in no case be invoked in internal armed conflicts within sovereign states;
- c. The terms "armed conflict" and "conflict" do not include the commission of ordinary crimes, whether collected or isolated.
- S. Res. No. 78 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE ACCESSION TO THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO THE CONVENTION AGAINST TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT (PSR-664) [March 6, 2012]

Status: Adopted

In adopting Resolution No. 78, the Senate concurs in the accession to the Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

The Optional Protocol places emphasis on preventing violations and introduces a new system of monitoring compliance to the UN Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (UNCAT) by establishing the international and national

mechanisms that will conduct regular and periodic visits to places of detention for the purpose of monitoring the situation, proposing recommendations and working constructively with State Parties for their implementation. Also, the Optional Protocol enables State Parties to benefit from the assistance that the international mechanism will offer such as advisory, technical and financial assistance in addressing institutional problems. The Philippines is a State Party to the UNCAT having ratified the same on the 18th of June 1986.

S. Res. No. 79 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR LIVING AQUATIC RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (ICLARM) TO ESTABLISH THE OFFICE OF THE WORLDFISH CENTER IN THE PHILIPPINES (PSR-708) [March 6, 2012]

Status: Adopted

In adopting Resolution No. 79, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Agreement between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM) to establish the Office of the Worldfish Center in the Philippines.

The agreement provides for the establishment of the Worldfish Center Office in the Philippines to undertake activities for research and development of aquatic and maritime resources in the country and nearby regions.

The establishment of the Center has tremendous potential for the Philippines meeting the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) on poverty reduction and hunger elimination with its projects focused on small-scale fisheries practice and aquaculture that will contribute to improving nutrition and raising incomes in rural areas, as well as enhance biodiversity information systems that will provide the scientific basis for projects involving natural

resources management and aquaculture; and environmental conservation which is considered as key to fighting poverty, food security and overall economic development.

Further, under the Agreement, the office shall enjoy the immunities and privileges accorded to an international organization of a universal character such as immunity from penal, civil and administrative proceedings and exemption from customs, visa and immigration requirements.

S. Res. No. 81 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY ON MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND (PSR-732) [May 8, 2012]

Status: Adopted

Through Resolution No. 81, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters between the Republic of the Philippines and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Treaty provides a legal framework for mutual assistance by States in the investigation of criminal offenses and in legal and judicial proceedings related to criminal matters, in accordance with the UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) and the Convention for the Suppression of Financing of Terrorism. The assistance made possible under the Treaty includes the taking of testimony of witnesses, provision of documents and items of evidence, exchange of criminal records, execution of searches and seizures, location and identification of witnesses and tracing and confiscation of proceeds of crimes, as well as freezing of assets.

The increasing frequency of transnational crimes, the country's fight against money laundering and corruption,

as well as the transboundary nature of terrorism necessitates this Treaty as a vital tool in securing evidence, witnesses and proceeds of crimes which are beyond the country's physical and legal jurisdiction.

S. Res. No. 82 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE CONSULAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PSR-733) [MAY 8, 2012]

Status: Adopted

Through this resolution, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Consular Agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and the People's Republic of China.

Under the Agreement, the Philippines and China mutually undertake to accord full facilities for the performance of the functions of a consular post and extend privileges and immunities to consular officers and their family. The Agreement provides that it applies to Mainland China, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, and the Macao Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China.

S. Res. No. 83 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE TREATY BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA CONCERNING MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE IN CRIMINAL MATTERS (PSR-734) [MAY 8, 2012]

Status: Adopted

Through this resolution, the Senate concurs in the ratification of the Treaty between the Republic of the Philippines and the People's Republic of China concerning mutual legal assistance in criminal matters.

The Treaty provides a legal framework for mutual assistance by States in the investigation and prosecution

of criminal offenses and in legal and judicial proceedings related to criminal matters, in accordance with the UN Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) and the Convention for the Suppression of Financing of Terrorism.

The assistance includes the taking of testimony of witnesses, provision of documents and items of evidence, exchange of criminal records, execution of searches and seizures, location and identification of witnesses and tracing and confiscation of proceeds of crimes, as well as freezing of assets.

The increasing frequency of transnational crimes, the country's fight against money laundering and corruption, as well as the transboundary nature of terrorism necessitates this Treaty as a vital tool in securing evidence, witnesses and proceeds of crimes which are beyond the country's physical and legal jurisdiction.

The Treaty provides that it does not apply to the extradition of any person and the execution of criminal judgments, verdicts or decisions rendered in the Requesting Party except to the extent permitted by the laws of the Requested Party and the Treaty.

S. Res. No. 87 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE CONVENTION ON SOCIAL SECURITY BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN (PSR-751) [May 15, 2012]

Status: Adopted

Through this resolution, the Senate concurs in the Ratification of the Convention on Social Security between the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Spain.

The new Convention amends and supersedes the original Convention, which was signed on 21 May 1988 and

came into force on 1 October 1989. It expands the protection afforded by the original Convention to Filipino workers, by extending its reach to a broader segment of the working population; by augmenting the economic benefits granted thereunder; and by clarifying the procedure in computing the regulatory base of benefits vis-a-vis insurance periods.

The new Convention broadened its coverage to include public sector workers contributing to the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS), in addition to the originally covered private sector workers contributing to the Social Security System (SSS), with respect to the following economic benefits:

- a) Maternity and sickness;
- b) Retirement;
- c) Disability;
- d) Death or survivorship; and
- e) Work-related injury and occupational illness.

P.S. Res. No. 788 RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF AUSTRALIA CONCERNING THE STATUS OF VISITING FORCES OF EACH STATE IN THE TERRITORY OF THE OTHER STATE

Status: Approved on Second Reading

Through this resolution, Senate concurrence in the ratification of the Agreement Between The Government of the Republic of the Philippines And The Government of Australia Concerning The Status Of Visiting Forces Of Each State In The Territory Of The Other State. Anchored on the 1995 Memorandum of Understanding in Cooperative Defense Activities with Australia, the Agreement provides for enhanced bilateral defense and military cooperation between the Philippines and Australia through exchange of visits.

The Agreement aims to provide for a comprehensive legal framework that will govern the status of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the Australian Defense Forces personnel who will participate in education, training, combined exercises and humanitarian activities in each other's territories in the area of defense and security. However, the Agreement will not authorize either country to deploy troops or conduct operations in the other's territory, but will establish the status of each other's forces when the parties arrange to send and/or receive forces as part of the two countries' defense cooperation activities.

In addition, the Agreement provides that in instances where visiting force personnel commits an offense while in the territory of the Receiving State, the latter shall have exclusive jurisdiction with respect to offenses punishable by the law of the Receiving State but not by the law of the Sending State. Where the offense is punishable by the law of the Sending State but not punishable under the law of the Receiving State, the Sending State shall have the right to exercise exclusive jurisdiction over persons subject to its Service Law. In case of concurrent jurisdiction or where an offense is punishable under the laws of both the Receiving and Sending States, the Agreement provides that the Receiving State shall have the primary right to exercise jurisdiction, except in cases where the offenses were committed against the property or security of the Sending State or omission in the performance of official duty in which case the Sending State shall exercise jurisdiction. The duty to resolve if an act or omission occurred in the performance of official duty rests in the judicial authorities of the Receiving State.

The following government agencies endorsed this Agreement for concurrence of the Senate in the hearings conducted on 21 and 28 May 2012 by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, to wit:

1. Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA);

- 2. Department of Justice (DOJ);
- 3. Department of National Defense (DND);
- 4. Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP).

GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

S. No. 2854 AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE RIGHTS OF GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) MEMBERS, PROVIDING THEM ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATION IN THE GSIS BOARD, ENSURING PROMPT PAYMENT OF ALL THEIR BENEFITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks to amend certain provisions of R.A. No. 8291 (The GSIS Act of 1997), wherein GSIS members shall have the following additional rights:

- a. Right to Courteous and Responsive Service
- b. Right to Information
- c. Right to GSIS Benefits
- d. Right to Expeditious Processing of Claims
- e. Right to be Heard

Also, elderly, disabled and seriously ill members, beneficiaries and pensioners shall have special rights such as special access lanes, priority in the processing and releasing of claims and benefits, preference in the dissemination of information pertaining to policies and leniency in the submission of documents.

The bill also seeks to impose penalty of not more than 2% simple interest per month in case GSIS fails to comply without valid and justifiable reason the release of retirement benefits to the employee on his last day of service.

HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY

S. No. 2865 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL POLICY ON REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Amendments

This proposed measure provides for a Reproductive Health Care Program that will provide all citizens access to a full range of methods, techniques, facilities and services that contribute to reproductive health and well-being by preventing and solving reproductive health-related problems. The elements of reproductive health care proposed in this bill includes: maternal health care and nutrition, including breastfeeding; family planning information and services; prevention of abortion and management of abortion complications; adolescent and youth reproductive health, guidance and counseling; prevention, treatment of gynecological conditions and disorders; elimination of violence against women and children; education and counseling on sexual health; male responsibility and involvement; and prevention and treatment of infertility and sexual dysfunction.

Local Government Units shall ensure the establishment or upgrading of hospitals with adequate and qualified personnel, equipment and supplies to be able to provide emergency obstetric care. Safe and effective family planning products and supplies shall be part of the National Drug Formulary and it shall be included in the regular purchase of essential medicines and supplies of all national and local hospitals and other government health units. The Department of Health (DOH) shall spearhead the procurement and distribution of family planning supplies to the LGUs. Age-appropriate Reproductive Health and Sexuality Education shall be taught in the formal and non-formal educational system and integrated in relevant subjects.

JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

R.A. No. 10158 AN ACT DECRIMINALIZING VAGRANCY, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE 202 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE (S. No. 2726/H. No. 4936) [March 27, 2012]

The law decriminalizes vagrancy by deleting the word "vagrants" and the definition of vagrancy in paragraphs 1 to 5 of Art. 202 of the Revised Penal Code. It also provides that all pending cases for vagrancy prior to its enactment shall be dismissed. It further provides that all persons serving sentence for such offense shall be released immediately unless detained for other offense or felony.

R.A. No. 10159 AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 39 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE (S. No. 2808/H. No. 600) [April 10, 2012]

Under the old law, if the convict has no property with which to meet the fine required, he shall be subject to a subsidiary personal liability at the rate of 1 day for each eight pesos (P8.00) subject to certain rules. With the passage of this law, it increased the base of computing the subsidiary penalty, setting it to the highest minimum wage rate prevailing at the time of rendition of judgment of conviction by the trial court. Increasing the base of the computation of the subsidiary penalty has the effect of lessening the subsidiary imprisonment of the convict thereby favors the less fortunate convicts incapable of paying their fines.

R.A. No. 10162 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA TO BE STATIONED AT STA. ROSA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129,

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (H. No. 4488) [April 17, 2012]

S. No. 107 AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN PERMISSION OR WAIVER IN FAVOR OF THE OMBUDSMAN TO LOOK INTO ALL DEPOSITS OF WHATEVER NATURE WITH BANKS OR BANKING INSTITUTIONS BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE PHILIPPINES INCLUDING INVESTMENT BONDS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND INSTRUMENTALITIES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellation

This bill seeks to require all public officials and employees to sign a waiver in favor of the government allowing the Office of the Ombudsman the access over all bank accounts and investments both within and outside the Philippines, of such public servant, for financial transparency, to ensure the government that such public servant does not use her position to enrich herself, deterring graft and corruption. Such waiver shall be used purely for an investigation of a possible case before the Sandiganbayan.

The waiver shall be submitted within 30 days from the date of assumption of office of such public servant. However, those who are exercising the functions of their respective offices upon the effectivity of this Act, shall submit the same not later than 30 days from the effectivity of the Rules and Regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

Any person who fails to submit the same within the period as required above shall be punished with a fine not exceeding the equivalent of one (1) year salary or suspension

not exceeding one (1) year, or removal from office and upon discretion of a court of competent jurisdiction, disqualification to hold public office.

S. No. 1537 AN ACT PROTECTING THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF VICTIM'S AND WITNESS' ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER DURING A TRIAL OR HEARING RELATED TO A CRIMINAL PROSECUTION

Status: Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/ Pending in the House of Representatives

This bill intends to protect victims' and witnesses' personal information by making confidential their place of business name, address and telephone number. It shall not be disclosed in open court during trial or hearing to a criminal prosecution unless the court determines that the information is necessary and relevant to the facts of the case or to the credibility of the witness.

Further, the burden to establish the need and relevance for disclosure shall be on the defense or the party seeking disclosure.

S. No. 2107 AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 177 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The Revised Penal Code in Art. 177 impose a penalty of *prision correctional* in its minimum and medium periods for the commission of the crime of usurpation of authority or official functions. The penalty provided is not commensurate to the gravity of the offense committed. Therefore, the bill seeks to increase the penalty to *prision mayor* in its minimum and medium periods. If the offender is a public official, the penalty to be imposed must be in its maximum period.

S. No. 2539 AN ACT CREATING FIFTEEN ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND NINE ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES AND CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Status: Approved on Second Reading

S. No. 2817 AN ACT DEFINING AND PENALIZING THE CRIME OF ENFORCED OR INVOLUNTARY DISAPPEARANCE

Status: Approved on Third Reading/Pending in the House of Representatives

The bill defines enforced or involuntary disappearance as an arrest, detention, abduction or any other form of deprivation of liberty committed by agents of the State or by persons or group of persons acting with the authorization, support or acquiescence of the State, followed by a refusal to acknowledge the deprivation of liberty or by concealment of the fate or whereabouts of the disappeared person, which places such person outside the protection of the law.

It also provides for permanent prohibition and fundamental safeguards for its prevention under any circumstances including political instability, threat of war, state of war or other public emergencies.

Further, the bill provides that any person deprived of liberty shall have the right to immediate access to any form of communication available to inform his family or lawyer on his whereabouts.

It finally provides for the following penalties for its commission:

- 1. The penalty of reclusion perpetua and its accessory penalties shall be imposed upon those who directly committed the act, those who instigated others to commit it, those who cooperated by committing another act, those officials who abetted in its consummation and those who cooperated in its execution.
- 2. The penalty of *reclusion temporal* and its accessory penalties shall be imposed upon those who shall commit the act in the attempted stage.
- 3. The penalty of *reclusion temporal* and its accessory penalties shall be imposed upon those who having knowledge of the act and without having participated therein as principals and accomplices, took part subsequent to its commission.
- **S. No. 2818** AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE FUNCTIONAL AND STRUCTURAL ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The proposed "Commission on Human Rights Charter" aims to further strengthen the role of the Commission on Human Rights (CHR) in promoting, protecting and fulfilling the political, civil, economic, social, and cultural rights of the people.

In affirming the independent nature and fiscal autonomony of the CHR, the bill seeks to:

1. Vest the CHR primary and original jurisdiction to investigate, on complaint or *motu proprio*, cases of human rights violations to include civil, political, economic, social, and cultural rights.

- 2. Provide the CHR concurrent limited prosecutorial powers and functions in case of the failure of the Department of Justice or the Office of the Ombudsman to initiate a preliminary investigation within 20 days from receipt of a case recommended by the CHR for prosecution.
- 3. Provide the CHR with its own Witness Protection Program, Financial Assistance Program and Legal Assistance Program.
- 4. Grant the CHR the power to recommend the creation of ad hoc Truth Commission on matters of transcendental importance, such as widespred and systematic human rights violations occuring over prolonged periods of time, or under extraordinarily repressive conditions, or attended by a culture of impunity that is instigated, inspired or orchestrated by public officials, in conspiracy with government secutiry forces or Statesponsored armed groups.
- 5. Provide the CHR authority to grant immunity from prosecution to any person whose possession and production of documents or other evidence may be necessaryto determine the truth in any hearing, inquiry or proceeding under such terms and conditions it may determine, taking into consideration the pertinent provisions of the Rules of court and its internal rules.

S. No. 2860 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION, SECURITY AND BENEFITS OF WHISTLEBLOWERS

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill defines a whistleblower as any person who has personal knowledge or access to any data, information, fact or event constituting improper conduct provided that such person must not have any direct participation in such improper conduct, or in cases where such person participated

in any improper conduct, such person is not the most guilty and shall therefore qualify as a state witness against the persons subject of such disclosure.

Further, this bill seeks to grant a qualified whistleblower the following protection, security and benefits:

- 1. He is not liable to disciplinary action for making a disclosure.
- 2. He is not subject to any liability whether administrative, civil, or criminal.
- He is entitled to the provisional remedy of injunction against any retaliatory action in the workplace, prejudicial conduct or discriminatory treatment.
- 4. He shall be entitled to an allowance equivalent to his daily basic financial requirement.
- 5. He shall be entitled to housing and personal security regardless of whether the disclosure is made in confidence or in public.
- 6. He shall also be entitled to a monetary award on a contingency basis, equivalent to at least ten percent of the amount which may be recovered or the amount of P1 million, whichever is lower as a result of his disclosure.

S. No. 2861 AN ACT LIMITING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE JBC

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill proposes that a regular member of the Judicial and Bar Council who has completed the service of his term of office shall no longer be eligible for re-appointment to the same position in whatever capacity. This is pursuant to the declared policy of the State to enhance the independence of the judiciary by insulating it from political pressure and influence, especially in the nomination and selection of appointees to the judiciary.

S. No. 2958 AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF DAVAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Status: Approved on Second Reading

S. No. 2970 AN ACT REORGANIZING AND MODERNIZING THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill seeks to implement a modernization program geared towards the acquisition of modern investigative and intelligence equipment and establishment of forensic and scientific laboratories. The bill also includes provisions for the training of its personnel.

The organizational structure of the NBI shall be reorganized as follows:

- 1. Office of the Director;
- 2. Office of the Deputy Director for Administration;
- 3. Office of the Deputy Director for Operations;
- 4. Office of the Assistant Directors for Investigation Service;
- 5. Intelligence Service;
- 6. Comptroller Service;
- 7. Internal Audit Service;
- 8. Forensic and Scientific Research Service;
- 9. Legal Service, and
- 10. Information and Communications Technology Service.

The NBI shall establish a Regional Office in every region and a sub-office in every province, to be headed by a Regional Director and Head Agent. Field offices in Congressional Districts shall likewise be maintained.

The investigative and non-investigative staff of the NBI shall also be increased and their positions upgraded to meet the demands of an expanded investigative and detective work.

The funds required for the implementation of the NBI reorganization and modernization shall be taken from all collections from NBI clearance and certifications fee, service incomes from trainings, DNA, drug tests, confirmatory and neuro tests and the like, 10% of the proceeds of forfeited articles upon order of the court, other miscellaneous income and other fees which may be imposed by the Director.

S. No. 2972 AN ACT PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES FOR THE CRIME OF THEFT AND ROBBERY OF PORTABLE COMMUNICATION DEVICES AND PORTABLE COMPUTERS

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The bill seeks to increase the penalty next higher in degree than those specifically provided in the Revised Penal Code for the commission of the crime of theft and robbery of portable communication devices provided that the additional penalty shall not apply if the imposable penalty is in its maximum period.

It also defines portable telecommunication device as a device utilized to transmit, emit or receive voice, data, electronic messages, text, written or printed matter, fixed or moving pictures or images , words, music or visible or audible signals or sounds or any information, intelligence and or control signals of any design/format and for the purpose of accessing public telecommunication services by

wire, radio, spectral visual/optical/light, or other electronic, electromagnetic and technological means including but not limited to cellular cellphones, two-way very high frequency (VHF) or ultra-high frequency (UHF) radios and portable computer as variety of electronic device capable of accepting data, programs and/or instructions, executing the programs and /or instructions to process the data and presenting the results, such as but not limited to laptops and notebooks.

S. No. 2973 AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF ACT NO. 4103, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INDETERMINATE SENTENCE LAW

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks to make the Indeterminate Sentence Law further inapplicable to persons convicted of criminal offenses against a minor, which is comparable to or exceeds any of the following:

- a. Kidnapping of a minor, except by a parent;
- b. Criminal sexual conduct toward a minor;
- c. Solicitation of a minor to engage in sexual conduct;
- d. Use of a minor to practice prostitution;
- e. Any conduct that by its nature is a sexual offense against a minor;
- f. Production or distribution of child pornography;
- g. Child-trafficking; and
- h. Using children in drug trafficking.
- **S. No. 3060** AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLES 363 AND 364 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks to increase the penalties provided in Article 363 and 364 of the Revised Penal Code. Art. 363 for

incriminating innocent person to *prision mayor* in its minimum period, whereas Art. 364 or intriguing against honor shall have a penalty of *prision correctional* in its minimum period or a fine not exceeding P50,000.

A person is said to be guilty of the crime of incriminating innocent person, when by any act not constituting perjury shall directly incriminate or impute to an innocent person the commission of a crime. And intriguing against honor has for its principal purpose to blemish the honor or reputation of a person.

S. No. 3064 AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLES 29, 94, 97, 98 AND 99 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill grants the detention prisoners additional credit amending the present law as provided in Arts. 29, 94, 97, 98 and 99 of Act No. 3815, as amended, otherwise known as the Revised Penal Code.

In addition to the benefits granted to detention prisoners, the bill intends to release a detention prisoner immediately without prejudice to the continuation of the trial whenever an accused has undergone preventive imprisonment for a period equal to the possible maximum penalty of the offense charged against him based on the actual period of detention with good conduct time allowance; *Provided* that, if the accused is absent without justifiable cause at any stage of the trial, the Court may order his rearrest except if he is a recidivist, habitual delinquent, escapee or a person charged with a heinous crime.

Furthermore, the detention prisoner is likewise entitled to the following deductions from the period of his sentence on the ground of good behaviour, to wit: first 2 years, deduction of 20 days for each month; 3rd to 5th year,

deduction of 23 days for each month; the following years to 10th year, 25 days for each month; and from 11th to succeeding years, 30 days for each month.

Consequently, he is also entitled to an additional deduction of 15 days for each month of study, teaching or mentoring rendered.

Moreover, if such detention prisoner does not leave his confinement despite the chance given him on occasion of any catastrophe, earthquake, explosion and the like, he is also granted a deduction of 2/5 of the period of his sentence.

S. No. 3077 AN ACT CRIMINALIZING NECROPHILIA OR CARNAL KNOWLEDGE WITH THE DEAD AND IMPOSING APPROPRIATE PENALTIES THEREOF, INCORPORATING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE 335-A INTO ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This intends to penalize necrophilia or sex with a dead person.

Persons guilty of such crime shall suffer the penalty of *reclusion temporal* to *reclusion perpetua* and a fine of P100,000.00 to P500,000.00 at the discretion of the court. When committed by two or more persons or by any person in whose care or custody of such corpse is found, penalty shall be *reclusion perpetua*.

S. No. 3078 AN ACT PENALIZING ANY MEMBER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES, OR ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL OR EMPLOYEE WHO FAILS OR REFUSES TO TESTIFY AS WITNESS IN ANY CRIMINAL PROCEEDINGS

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The proposed measure penalizes with imprisonment of not less than 12 years and 1 day to 20 years and a fine of not less than 500,000 any member of law enforcement agencies or any other government official or employee who, after due notice, fails or refuses deliberately or negligently, to appear and testify as a witness in any criminal proceedings without justifiable reason. Penalty is also provided to the immediate supervisor or superior of the erring witness if he/she did not exert reasonable effort to present the latter to the court, or fails to institute appropriate administrative action against such subordinate for the latter's unjustifiable failure or refusal to testify.

The bill further provides that such prosecution and punishment shall be without prejudice to any liability for violation of any existing law except Sec. 91 of R.A. No. 9165 or the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002.

S. No 3093 AN ACT AMENDING ARTICLE 183 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, DECLARING THE FILING OF FALSE COMPLAINTS AGAINST PUBLIC OFFICERS AS AN AGGRAVATING CIRCUMSTANCE OF PERJURY

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks to punish a person who intentionally files a false complaint against a public officer with a penalty of *prision mayor* in its minimum to medium period and a fine of P50,000 or both at the discretion of the court.

If during the course of the investigation or trial, it was found out that such false complaint was used as a leverage against the said public officer, such person shall suffer the penalty of *prision mayor* in its minimum to maximum period and a fine of P100,000 or both at the discretion of the court.

S. No. 3113 AN ACT FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OR MUNICIPAL CIVIL REGISTRAR OR THE CONSUL-

GENERAL TO CORRECT CLERICAL OR TYPOGRAPHICAL ERRORS IN THE DAY AND MONTH IN THE DATE OF BIRTH OR SEX OF A PERSON APPEARING IN THE CIVIL REGISTER WITHOUT NEED OF A JUDICIAL ORDER, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED NINETY FORTY-EIGHT

Status: For Approval of the President

This proposed measure seeks to authorize city or municipal civil registrars or generals to correct clerical or typographical errors in the day and month in the date of birth or sex of a person appearing in the civil register where it is patently clear that there was a clerical or typographical error or mistake in the entry.

Under the bill, a petition for correction of erroneous entry concerning the date of birth or the sex of a person must be accompanied by the earliest school record or earliest documents such as medical records, baptismal certificate and other documents issued by religious authorities. As for change of gender, the petition shall be accompanied by a certification issued by an accredited government physician attesting to the fact that petitioner has not undergone sex change or sex transplant.

S. No. 3148 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR RULES ON PLEA BARGAINING AGREEMENT IN CRIMINAL CASES, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The proposed measure defines plea bargaining and provides for the guiding principles, rules and procedures on plea bargaining agreement in criminal cases.

Plea Bargaining is the process in criminal proceedings whereby the accused and the prosecution work out a mutually

satisfactory disposition of the case, as expressed and contained in a plea bargaining agreement, and subject to court approval. Tis would include a plea of the accused to a lesser offense than that charged in the complaint or information, or to only one or some of the counts of a multi-count indictment, and in conformity with other conditions imposed by the prosecution, in return for a lighter sentence than that for the graver charge.

As a rule, the prosecution may enter into plea bargaining with the accused, with the consent of the offended party, during or after the presentation of the evidence of the prosecution, but before the presentation of the defense, and in no case after the dismissal by the court of a demurrer to evidence.

In cases of plea of guilty to a lesser offense, the accused may be allowed to do such if the penalty for the lesser offense shall not be more than 2 degrees lower than the imposable penalty for the offense charged, notwithstanding the presence of mitigating circumstances. The bill specifically provides that in cases of plunder and money laundering, the consent of the Ombudsman and the President are required.

S. No. 3209 AN ACT DEFINING THE USE AND PROTECTION OF THE RED CROSS, RED CRESCENT, AND RED CRYSTAL EMBLEMS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Third Reading/Pending in the House of Representatives

This bill covers the use and protection of the Red Cross, Red Crescent and Red Crystal emblems.

The Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), under the control and supervision of the Department of National Defense (DND) during peacetime and armed conflict, Department of Health (DOH), Local Government Units (LGUs) concerned, in consultation with the Philippine Red Cross (PRC), shall use the red cross emblem for identification. Likewise, the DOH and LGUs concerned shall also use the red cross emblem as a protection device.

Moreover, the PRC is authorized to use the Red Cross emblem as a protective device and as an indicative device. The International Organizations of the International Red Cross shall make use of the Red Cross or the Red Crescent emblems at any time and for all their activities.

Consequently, the DND, DOH, and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) in cooperation with the PRC, shall ensure strict compliance with the rules governing the use of the emblems in order to prevent and repress any misuse.

Any person who misuses the emblems shall suffer the penalty of *arresto mayor*, and a fine of not less than P20,000 but not more than P40,000 at the discretion of the Court.

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

S. No. 429 AN ACT EXPANDING THE PROHIBITED ACTS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN ON ACCOUNT OF SEX, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 135 AND 137 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

Status: Pending in the Conference Committee

The bill provides for additional prohibited act of discrimination against women employee, such as:

 giving preference to a male employee over a female employee in the hiring process where the particular job can be equally handled by a woman;

- 2. favoring a male employee over a female employee with respect to assignment, training opportunities, study and scholarship grants;
- payment of lesser remuneration, including wage, salary or other form of remuneration and fringe benefits to a female employee as against a male employee;
- 4. dismissing a woman employee in favor of a male employee or having a retrenchment policy that retains men over women.

Also, it shall be unlawful to deny any woman employee the benefits of employment, to discharge a woman while on maternity leave or dismiss a woman employee merely by reason of her marriage.

S. No. 3210 AN ACT STRENGTHENING WORKERS' RIGHTS TO PEACEFUL CONCERTED ACTIVITIES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLES 263, 264 AND 272 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

The Labor Code gives the Secretary of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) the power to assume jurisdiction over labor disputes or certify the same for compulsory arbitration when in his opinion it is causing or likely to cause a strike or lockout in an industry indispensable to national interest.

The bill provides, among others, for the criteria and guidepost for the exercise of the assumption of jurisdiction power of the DOLE Secretary. The bill seeks to limit the power of the DOLE Secretary to intervene in cases of strike or lockout in industries which provides "essential services" determined through a tripartite consultation. Under certain

conditions, the Secretary may intervene in settling disputes for industries which do not provide essential services.

The President of the Philippines shall not be precluded from determining industries that provide essential services and from intervening and assuming jurisdiction over labor dispute to settle or terminate the same during acute national emergency where all normal functioning of society has ceased.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- R.A. No. 10160 AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOOR IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF BACOOR (H. No. 4730) [April 10, 2012]
- R.A. No. 10161 AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF IMUS IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF IMUS (H. No. 4729) [April 10, 2012]
- R.A. No. 10163 AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF CABUYAO IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF CABUYAO (H. No. 4259) [May 16, 2012]
- R.A. No. 10164 AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF MABALACAT IN THE PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS MABALACAT CITY (H. No. 4736) [May 15, 2012]

NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

S. No. 2869 AN ACT PRESCRIBING A FIXED TERM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF AND A MINIMUM TERM FOR THE

MAJOR SERVICE COMMANDERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Vetoed by the President

S. No. 3164 AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7898, ESTABLISHING THE REVISED AFP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/ Pending in the House of Representatives

This bill seeks to modernize the Department of National Defense (DND) and the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP).

The proposed modernization program shall include the acquisition/procurement of major weapon and nonweapon equipment and technology, major infrastructure construction, creation of the AFP Modernization Act Trust Fund and the modernization of the government arsenal.

The modernization shall be in accordance with the Defense System of Management (DSOM), a strategy-driven, capability-based, multi-year planning and execution process integrating as a whole the strategy, capability assessment, acquisition, procurement and financial planning and management of the modernization program.

PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MASS MEDIA

S. No. 3208 AN ACT FORTIFYING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT OF OWNERSHIP OVER INFORMATION HELD BY THE PEOPLE'S GOVERNMENT

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill provides for the accessibility of the public to information relating to all public affairs and public interest.

It is required that government agencies regularly disclose to the public all information on matters of public concern and public interest, unless the information directly relates to national security or defense of the State.

Further, every government agency shall regularly publish, print and disseminate at no cost to the public in conjunction with the Republic Act No. 9485 (the Anti-Red Tape Act of 2007) a People's Ownership of Government Information Manual specifically those that are of the highest public interest like all contracts, agreements or treaties entered into, by reason of the amounts involved and the impact of the transaction to the public.

However, such people's right of ownership over information also affords full protection of the right to privacy of individuals particularly of personal information in the government's custody or under its control.

Denial of any information by any government agency is entitled to an action which can be filed with the Office of the Ombudsman or in the Judiciary and such government official or employee shall be subject to administrative and criminal liability.

PUBLIC ORDER

S. No. 3217 AN ACT REPEALING THE MINIMUM HEIGHT REQUIREMENT FOR APPLICANTS TO THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE, BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY, AND BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This bill seeks the repeal of the height requirement for applicants to the Philippine National Police, Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, and the Bureau of Fire Protection based on the principle that all people have equal rights to be employed for their intellect, competence and for what they can contribute to the institution.

S. Jt. Res. No. 14 JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE LIFE OF THE CONGRESSIONAL OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ON DANGEROUS DRUGS, CONSTITUTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 95 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002"

Status: Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/ Pending in the House of Representatives

This joint resolution extends the life of the Congressional Oversight Committee on Dangerous Drugs for another 10 years. The oversight committee was constituted pursuant to Section 95 of the Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the "Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002" to ensure the proper implementation of the Law and to facilitate and assist the government with respect to the programs and projects including the disbursement and compensation of the employees.

PUBLIC SERVICES

H. No. 4379 AN ACT GRANTING THE RELIANCE BROADCASTING UNLIMITED, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Status: Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/ Sent Back to the House of Representatives H. No. 4668 AN ACT GRANTING THE CULTURAL FOUNDATION OF DAVAO DEL SUR INCORPORATED (CFDI) A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN DAVAO DEL SUR

Status: Approved on Second Reading/Sent Back to the House of Representatives

H. No. 5491 AN ACT GRANTING THE NUEVA VIZCAYA STATE UNIVERSITY A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN REGION II

Status: Approved on Second Reading/Sent Back to the House of Representatives

H. No. 5492 AN ACT GRANTING THE TV MARIA FOUNDATION PHILIPPINES, INCORPORATED A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Status: Approved on Second Reading/Sent Back to the House of Representatives

H. No. 5574 AN ACT GRANTING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES

Status: Approved on Second Reading/Sent Back to the House of Representatives

H. No. 5613 AN ACT AMENDING THE FRANCHISE OF WI-TRIBE TELECOMS, INC., (FORMERLY LIBERTY BROADCASTING NETWORK, INCORPORATED) GRANTED

UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1553, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4154, AND RENEWING/EXTENDING THE TERM THEREOF FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT

Status: Approved on Second Reading/Sent Back to the House of Representatives

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

S. No. 50 AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending in the Conference Committee

The bill seeks to establish the creation of the Department of Information and Communications, which shall carry out the policies and assume the communications-related powers and functions of Department of Transportation and Communication (DOTC). The Department shall be the primary policy, planning, coordinating, implementing, regulating and administrative entity of the executive branch of the Government that will promote, develop, and regulate integrated and strategic ICT systems and reliable and cost-efficient communication facilities and service. This will ensure that the communications and information technology sector of the country be given appropriate focus and be included as one of the priorities of the government.

S. No. 2796 AN ACT DEFINING CYBERCRIME, PROVIDING FOR PREVENTION, INVESTIGATION AND IMPOSITION OF PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: For Approval of the President

The bill seeks to protect and safeguard the integrity of computer, computer and communication systems, networks, and data bases, and the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of information data stored therein, from all forms of misuse, abuse, and illegal access.

Cybercrime may either be an offense against the confidentiality, integrity and availability of computer data systems, computer-related offenses, and/or content-related offenses. All crimes penalized by the Revised Penal Code and special laws if committed by, through and with the use of information and communications technologies shall be covered by relevant provisions of this bill.

The bill also proposes that the National Bureau of Investigations and the Philippine National Police shall organize a cybercrime unit or center manned by special investigations to exclusively handle cases involving violations of this proposed measure.

S. No. 2965 AN ACT PROTECTING INDIVIDUAL PERSONAL INFORMATION IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS IN THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR, CREATING FOR THIS PURPOSE A NATIONAL DATA PROTECTION COMMISSION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: For Approval of the President

The proposed bill intends to ensure the security and protection of personal information in Information and Communications Systems in the government and in the private sector. It applies to the processing of all types of personal information and to any natural and juridical person involved in personal information processing including those personal information controllers and processors who although not found or established in the Philippines, use equipment that are located in the Philippines, or those who maintain an office, branch or agency in the Philippines. Further, it will

also apply to an act done or practice engaged in and outside of the Philippines if it relates to personal information about a Philippine citizen or resident.

It further proposed the creation of the National Privacy Commission (NPC) that will administer and implement the provisions of the proposed measure, monitor and ensure compliance of the country with the international standards set for data protection.

TRADE AND COMMERCE

S. No. 2746 AN ACT REQUIRING THE LABELING OF MEAT AND MEAT FOOD PRODUCTS

Status: Approved on Second Reading

The bill is aims to curb the rampant sale of "botcha" or double dead meat to the consuming public through labeling, audit verification system and an information and education campaign.

This bill requires that meat and meat products bear a label indicating the place of origin of the imported animal carcass. This applies to the sale of meat and meat products, imported or locally sourced, including lamb, beef and pork.

Meat which has been treated to enhance its appearance by any substance approved or not, by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) should bear a clear, conspicuous and easily readable label on its packaging stating: "THIS MEAT HAS BEEN TREATED TO ENHANCE ITS APPEARANCE".

The bill also seeks to mandate the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) to establish an Audit Verification System for both Philippine and imported cuts of beef, lamb, pork, as well as ground beef, lamb and pork. The system

requires that any person who prepares, stores, handles or distributes said products for retail sale should maintain a verifiable record to ensure compliance with the regulations on labeling.

S. No. 2842 AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES", AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Second Reading

The bill intends to create a Bureau of Copyright under the Intellectual Property Office. The following are the proposed functions of the said Bureau:

- Exercise original jurisdiction to resolve disputes relating to the terms of a license involving the author's right to public performance or other communication of his work;
- 2. Accept, review and decide on applications for the accreditation or collective management organizations or similar entities;
- 3. Conduct studies and researches in the field of copyright and related rights; and
- 4. Provide other copyright and related rights service and charge reasonable fees.
- S. No. 3071 AN ACT PROMOTING COMPETITIVE FILIPINO DESIGN, PROVIDING FOR THE PURPOSE A NATIONAL DESIGN POLICY AND RE-ENGINEERING AND RENAMING THE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES (PDDCP) INTO THE DESIGN CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Amendments

This proposed measure seeks to rename the Product Development and Design Center of the Philippines (PDDCP)

to the Design Center of the Philippines. The Design Center shall be in the forefront of promoting a National Design Policy that will improve the quality, branding and competitiveness of Philippine products in the international market as well as the local economy.

Under the bill, the Design Center shall:

- 1. Develop and maintain a creative research and development program on product design;
- 2. Develop and improve Philippine products and services, including those created by small and medium enterprises;
- 3. Conduct continuing research on product and product packaging design trends and processing technologies;
- 4. Create, develop, promote and upgrade the design of all Philippine products and services, including those created by small and medium enterprises;
- 5. Conduct seminars and workshops on product design and development,
- 6. Set-up design exhibitions;
- 7. Publish design-related materials;
- 8. Ensure protection of Filipino design ideas, products, and other outputs of creative talents;
- 9. Promote design education throughout the country to meet the needs of Philippine industries; and
- 10. Promote Philippine design in both local and international markets.
- **S. No. 3098** AN ACT PENALIZING ANTI-COMPETITIVE CONDUCT, ABUSE OF DOMINANCE, AND ANTI-COMPETITIVE MERGERS, ESTABLISHING FOR THE PURPOSE AN OFFICE FOR COMPETITION UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

Pursuant to the Constitutional mandate that the State shall regulate or prohibit monopolies when the public interest so requires and that no combinations in restraint of trade or unfair competition shall be allowed, the proposed Competition Act seeks to:

- a. Promote and enhance economic efficiency and free and fair competition in trade, industry, commerce and all economic activities;
- Prevent the concentration of economic power in a few persons who threaten to control the production, distribution or trade to stifle competition, distort, manipulate or constrict the discipline of free markets, increase market prices; and
- c. Penalize unfair trade, anti-competitive conduct and combinations in restraint of trade, with the objective of protecting consumer welfare and advancing domestic and international trade and economic development.

The proposed measure shall make unlawful and punishable anti-competitive conduct, abuse of dominance and anti-competitive mergers.

The bill defines anti-competitive conduct as any conduct with the object or of unreasonably preventing, restricting or lessening competition, such as: a) directly or indirectly fixing, controlling or maintaining prices; b) setting, limiting or controlling production, markets, technical development, or investment; c) dividing or sharing the market, whether by volume of sale or purchases, territory, type of goods or services, buyers or sellers or any other means; d) fixing price at an auction or in any form of bidding including cover bidding, bid suppression, bid rotation and market allocation and other analogous practices; and e) applying dissimilar conditions to equivalent transactions with other parties, thereby placing the latter at a competitive disadvantage.

Abuse of dominance is committed by: a) selling goods or services below cost, except for the purpose of clearance, inventory or sale; as reaction to market forces; b) imposing barriers to entry; c) setting prices or other terms or conditions that differ or discriminate between their customers or sellers, with some exceptions like socialized pricing; d) imposing restrictions on the sale or lease of goods and services like where, to whom, or in what forms goods or services may be sold or traded by price fixing, preferential discounts or rebates; imposing conditions not to deal with competing firms, among others; e) making the supply of other goods and services dependent upon the purchase of particular goods and services from same supplier; and f) unjustified refusal to sell or conspiracy not to sell goods and services.

As proposed in the bill, anti-competitive merger is when a firm engaged in commerce, trade or industry shall acquire, directly or indirectly, the whole or any part of the stock or other share capital, assets or voting rights of one or more firms engaged in any commerce, trade or industry where the object or effect of such conduct is to prevent, restrict or substantially lessen competition.

This bill seeks to establish an Office for Competition under the Department of Justice. This office shall enforce its mandate through the conduct of administrative as well as institute civil or criminal proceedings against firms in violation of this measure. It shall monitor, gather information and require firms to provide the needed data in the course of its functions.

URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT

S. No. 3199 AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (DHUD), DEFINING THE MANDATES, POWERS, AND FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Approved on Second Reading

This bill proposes the creation of a Department of Housing and Urban Development by consolidating the powers and functions of the existing agencies particularly the functions of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) and the planning and regulatory functions of the Housing and Land Use Regulatory Board (HLURB).

It shall act as the primary national government entity responsible for the management of housing and urban development and at the same time, the sole and main planning and policy-making regulatory, program coordination, and performance monitoring entity for all housing and urban development concerns primarily focusing on the access to and affordability of the basic human needs.

On the other hand, the HULRB shall be reconstituted and shall be known as the "Adjudication Commission for Housing, Land Use and Urban Development" to be composed of 9 commissioners. It shall have the exclusive jurisdiction over all cases of violations of housing.

WAYS AND MEANS

S. No. 2856 AN ACT PROVIDING INCENTIVES FOR THE MANUFACTURE, ASSEMBLY, CONVERSION AND IMPORTATION OF ELECTRIC, HYBRID AND OTHER ALTERNATIVE FUEL VEHICLES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Status: Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

This proposed measure seeks to grant fiscal and non-fiscal incentives to manufacturers, assemblers and importers of completely built units of vehicles or completely knocked down vehicles which shall use alternative fuel. Alternative fuel shall be in the form of electric, solar, wind, hydrogen, fuel cell, compressed natural gas, and liquefied petroleum gas. Alternative fuel shall also take the form of hybrid fuel- the use of internal combustion engine and battery-powered electric motor to gain advantages of both propulsion systems. The bill provides that this shall not include vehicles that are solely powered by gasoline, petroleum, bio-diesel and bio-ethanol.

The following are the incentives proposed to be granted under the bill:

A. Fiscal Incentives

- nine years exemption from payment of excise taxes and duties from the effectivity of this Act for importers, manufacturers or assemblers
- years suspension of VAT for the purchase, importation of raw materials, spare parts, components and capital equipment used in the manufacture or assembly of such vehicles
- exemption from the Payment of Motor Vehicle User's Charge (MVUC) imposed by the Land Transportation Office (LTO)

B. Non-Fiscal Incentives

- priority in registration and issuance of plate number
- priority in franchise application
- exemption from Unified Vehicular Volume Reduction Program
- provision for free parking spaces in new establishments.

YOUTH, WOMEN AND FAMILY RELATIONS

R.A. No. 10165 AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND PROPAGATE FOSTER CARE AND TO PROVIDE FUNDS THEREFOR (S. No. 2486/H. No. 4481) [June 11, 2012]

The Foster Care Act of 2012 provides for the eligibility of a child to be placed in foster care, the qualifications for a foster parent and the procedures for placement.

The law aims to strengthen and propagate foster care for abused, abandoned, neglected and other children with special needs through grants of incentives and assistance, such as:

- 1. Providing a foster child with a monthly subsidy from the DSWD and he/she shall be automatically a PhilHealth beneficiary of his Foster Parent.
- A Foster Parent shall receive support care services from the DSWD and the social service units of LGUs and he shall have additional exemption for dependents.
- 3. The agencies shall be exempt from income tax and can apply for qualification as a donee institution..
- 4. Donors of an agency shall be granted allowable deductions from its gross income and shall be exempted from donor's tax.

BILLS OF LOCAL APPLICATION

EDUCATION

Approved on Second Reading

- H. No. 80 ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF ORION NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BALAGTAS, MUNICIPALITY OF ORION, PROVINCE OF BATAAN TO JUSTICE EMILIO ANGELES GANCAYCO MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
- H. No. 338 AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PILI, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR TO BE KNOWN AS THE COMPUTER SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL OF BICOLANDIA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 341 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BOBON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX B IN BARANGAY DAHICAN, CITY OF MATI, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL FROM THE BOBON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DOÑA ROSA GARCIA RABAT MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 342 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PANIKIAN, MUNICIPALITY OF BANAYBANAY, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS PANIKIAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 343 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LAWIGAN, CITY OF MATI, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS LAWIGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 344 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL AGRO-INDUSTRIAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BAGUMBAYAN, MUNICIPALITY OF LUPON, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS BAGUMBAYAN AGRO-INDUSTRIAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 547 ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF MAHINOG, PROVINCE OF CAMIGUIN TO BE KNOWN AS MAHINOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL II AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- **H. No. 747** AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY KAYPIAN, CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BULACAN TO BE KNOWN AS KAYPIAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 748 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY STO. CRISTO, CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BULACAN TO BE KNOWN AS STO. CRISTO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 749 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CITRUS, CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BULACAN TO BE KNOWN AS CITRUS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 777 AN ACT SEPARATING THE ANKILENG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BALUGAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY BALUGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SAGADA, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE FROM THE ANKILENG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BALUGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 778 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BUNGA, MUNICIPALITY OF TADIAN, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE TO BE KNOWN AS BUNGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 779 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BALAOA, MUNICIPALITY OF TADIAN, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE TO BE KNOWN AS BALAOA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 904 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SAN ISIDRO ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN ISIDRO, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN ISIDRO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 905 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BUCTO ANNEX IN BARANGAY BUCTO, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BUCTO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 906 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SAN VICENTE ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN VICENTE, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN VICENTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1014 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL STA. CRUZ ANNEX IN

BARANGAY STA. CRUZ, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS STA. CRUZ NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1016 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MABOG ANNEX IN SITIO MABOG, BARANGAY SAN ROQUE, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MABOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1154 AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LINAMPONGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PONTEVEDRA, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ TO BE KNOWN AS CONGRESSMAN DINGGOY ARANETA ROXAS MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1208 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY DIDIPIO, MUNICIPALITY OF KASIBU, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA TO BE KNOWN AS EASTERN NUEVA VIZCAYA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1209 AN ACT SEPARATING THE SANTA FE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CANABUAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY CANABUAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA FE, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA FROM THE SANTA FE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CANABUAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1294 AN ACT CONVERTING THE CALABANGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF

CALABANGA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR INTO A NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CALABANGA NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1295 AN ACT SEPARATING THE OCAMPO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL HANAWAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY HANAWAN, MUNICIPALITY OF OCAMPO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FROM THE OCAMPO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS HANAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1318 AN ACT CONVERTING THE SANTA JUANA PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SANTA JUANA, MUNICIPALITY OF TAGBINA, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SANTA JUANA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1319 AN ACT SEPARATING THE DOÑA CARMEN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAGBINA ANNEX IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF TAGBINA, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE DOÑA CARMEN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAGBINA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1338 AN ACT SEPARATING THE OTON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CAMBITU EXTENSION IN BARANGAY CABOLOAN SUR, MUNICIPALITY OF OTON, PROVINCE OF ILOILO FROM THE OTON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CAMBITU NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1339 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TIGBAUAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BAGACAY EXTENSION IN

BARANGAY BAGACAY, MUNICIPALITY OF TIGBAUAN, PROVINCE OF ILOILO FROM THE TIGBAUAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAGACAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1340 AN ACT SEPARATING THE DON FELIX SERRA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BAD-AS EXTENSION IN BARANGAY BAD-AS, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOAQUIN, PROVINCE OF ILOILO FROM THE DON FELIX SERRA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAD-AS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1446 AN ACT SEPARATING THE CURRY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BAGONG SIRANG ANNEX IN BARANGAY BAGONG SIRANG, MUNICIPALITY OF PILI, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FROM THE CURRY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAGONG SIRANG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1447 AN ACT SEPARATING THE CALABANGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL QUIPAYO ANNEX IN BARANGAY QUIPAYO, MUNICIPALITY OF CALABANGA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FROM THE CALABANGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS QUIPAYO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1450 AN ACT SEPARATING THE PILI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SAN JOSE PILI ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN JOSE, MUNICIPALITY OF PILI, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FROM THE PILI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN JOSE

PILI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1463 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BANTAYAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PILAR, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON TO BE KNOWN AS BANTAYAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1465 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BUENAVISTA, MUNICIPALITY OF CASTILLA, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON TO BE KNOWN AS BUENAVISTA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1467 AN ACT SEPARATING THE MAGALLANES NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-CAGBOLO ANNEX IN BARANGAY CAGBOLO, MUNICIPALITY OF MAGALLANES, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON FROM THE MAGALLANES NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CAGBOLO NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1468 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BEHIA, MUNICIPALITY OF MAGALLANES, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON TO BE KNOWN AS BAGATAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1569 AN ACT SEPARATING THE NAPOLAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BUENAVISTA ANNEX IN BARANGAY BUENAVISTA, CITY OF PAGADIAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE NAPOLAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS NORBERTA GUILLAR MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1570 AN ACT SEPARATING THE MIDSALIP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL GOLICTOP ANNEX IN BARANGAY GOLICTOP, MUNICIPALITY OF MIDSALIP, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE MIDSALIP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS GOLICTOP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1571 AN ACT SEPARATING THE DULOP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL DUMINGAG ANNEX IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DUMINGAG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE DULOP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DUMINGAG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1600 AN ACT SEPARATING THE VALENZUELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CANUMAY EAST ANNEX IN BARANGAY CANUMAY, CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA FROM THE VALENZUELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CANUMAY EAST NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1688 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SAN MARTIN III, CITY OF SAN JOSE DEL MONTE, PROVINCE OF BULACAN TO BE KNOWN AS SAN MARTIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1814 AN ACT CONVERTING THE NEGROS STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE (NSCA) IN THE CITY OF KABANKALAN, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CENTRAL PHILIPPINES STATE UNIVERSITY (CPSU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 1829 AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF BIGNAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BIGNAY, CITY OF VALENZUELA TO ROBERTA DE JESUS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
- H. No. 1873 AN ACT SEPARATING THE CALAPE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAPILON ANNEX IN BARANGAY TAPILON, MUNICIPALITY OF DAANBANTAYAN, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE CALAPE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAPILON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1879 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TINGGABULONG, MUNICIPALITY OF DIMATALING, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS TINGGABULONG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1974 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TAGASAKA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BIGA-AN ANNEX IN BARANGAY BIGA-AN, MUNICIPALITY OF HINATUAN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE TAGASAKA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BIGA-AN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 1975 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TUMANAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY TUMANAN, CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR FROM THE BISLIG CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TUMANAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2218 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TAMBULIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BAG-ONG KAUSWAGAN ANNEX

- IN BARANGAY BAG-ONG KAUSWAGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF TAMBULIG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE TAMBULIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAG-ONG KAUSWAGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2219 AN ACT SEPARATING THE DULOP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LOWER TIMONAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY LOWER TIMONAN, MUNICIPALITY OF DUMINGAG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE DULOP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PAQUITO S. YU MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2220 AN ACT SEPARATING THE SIMATA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PARASAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY PARASAN, MUNICIPALITY OF MOLAVE, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE SIMATA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PARASAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2221 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TAMBULIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SUMALIG ANNEX IN BARANGAY SUMALIG, MUNICIPALITY OF TAMBULIG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE TAMBULIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SUMALIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2225 AN ACT SEPARATING THE PINUKPUK VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TAPPO ANNEX IN BARANGAY APATAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PINUKPUK, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE PINUKPUK VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN

- AS TAPPO VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2228 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY ISIC-ISIC, MUNICIPALITY OF VINTAR, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS ISIC-ISIC NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2317 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LAPERO, MUNICIPALITY OF SINDANGAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS LAPERO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2318 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LIPAKAN, MUNICIPALITY OF ROXAS, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS LIPAKAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2319 AN ACT SEPARATING THE MARUPAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MOLITON ANNEX IN BARANGAY MOLITON, MUNICIPALITY OF ROXAS, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE MARUPAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MOLITON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2320 AN ACT SEPARATING THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SITOG ANNEX IN BARANGAY SITOG, MUNICIPALITY OF KATIPUNAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SITOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- **H. No. 2321** AN ACT SEPARATING THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BASAGAN ANNEX IN

- BARANGAY BASAGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF KATIPUNAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BASAGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2322 AN ACT SEPARATING THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SINUYAK ANNEX IN BARANGAY SINUYAK, MUNICIPALITY OF KATIPUNAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE KATIPUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SINUYAK NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2323 AN ACT SEPARATING THE SIAYAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL GUNYAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY GUNYAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SIAYAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE SIAYAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS GUNYAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2342 AN ACT SEPARATING THE STA. MARGARITA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL NAPURO ANNEX IN BARANGAY NAPURO, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARGARITA, PROVINCE OF SAMAR FROM THE STA. MARGARITA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS NAPURO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2587 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BANAYBANAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LEANDRO G. JAPOS HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY PISO, MUNICIPALITY OF BANAYBANAY, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL FROM THE BANAYBANAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO

- BE KNOWN AS LEANDRO G. JAPOS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2746 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY R.G. MACIAS, MUNICIPALITY OF SINDANGAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE TO BE KNOWN AS DOÑA NATIVIDAD L. MACIAS MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 2919 AN ACT SEPARATING THE SORSOGON NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL MAYON ANNEX IN BARANGAY MAYON, MUNICIPALITY OF CASTILLA, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON FROM THE SORSOGON NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MAYON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- **H. No. 3000** AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF GUSA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY GUSA, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL TO GUSA REGIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL
- H. No. 3072 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BULI, MUNICIPALITY OF BATO, PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS BULI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 3202 AN ACT SEPARATING THE KALINGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL MANANIG ANNEX IN BARANGAY DUGPA, MUNICIPALITY OF PINUKPUK, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE KALINGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MANANIG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 3203 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TABUK NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL NEW TANGLAG ANNEX IN BARANGAY NEW TANGLAG, MUNICIPALITY OF TABUK,

PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE TABUK NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS NEW TANGLAG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- **H. No. 3419** AN ACT RENAMING THE APARRI SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADE (ASAT) IN APARRI, CAGAYAN INTO THE APARRI POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE (API)
- H. No. 3733 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAYANTOC, PROVINCE OF TARLAC TO BE KNOWN AS MAYANTOC NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 3987 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MALIMATOC I, MUNICIPALITY OF MABINI, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO BE KNOWN AS APOLINARIO MABINI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4154 AN ACT SEPARATING THE LIMOS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CAMALOG ANNEX IN BARANGAY CAMALOG, MUNICIPALITY OF PINUKPUK, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE LIMOS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CAMALOG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4170 AN ACT CONVERTING THE CATANDUANES STATE COLLEGES IN THE PROVINCE OF CATANDUANES INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CATANDUANES STATE UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4413 AN ACT CONVERTING THE QUIRINO STATE COLLEGE (QSC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DIFFUN,

PROVINCE OF QUIRINO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE QUIRINO STATE UNIVERSITY (QSU), INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE QUIRINO POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE (QPC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CABARROGUIS AND THE MADDELA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (MIT) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MADDELA, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF QUIRINO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 5118 AN ACT SEPARATING THE MASLA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SUBABA ANNEX IN BARANGAY SUMADEL, MUNICIPALITY OF TADIAN, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE FROM THE MASLA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SUBABA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5124 AN ACT SEPARATING THE LAMIAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL LAMSUGOD ANNEX IN BARANGAY LAMSUGOD, MUNICIPALITY OF SURALLAH, PROVINCE OF SOUTH COTABATO FROM THE LAMIAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS LAMSUGOD NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5190 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BACARRI NATIONAL TRADE-AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL LABAY ANNEX IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF PARACELIS, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE FROM THE BACARRI NATIONAL TRADE-AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PARACELIS TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5191 AN ACT SEPARATING THE BACARRI NATIONAL TRADE-AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL ANONAT ANNEX IN BARANGAY ANONAT, MUNICIPALITY OF PARACELIS, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE FROM THE BACARRI

NATIONAL TRADE-AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS ANONAT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 5193 AN ACT SEPARATING THE TINABILAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL PALOMPON ANNEX IN BARANGAY CENTRAL II, MUNICIPALITY OF PALOMPON, PROVINCE OF LEYTE FROM THE TINABILAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PALOMPON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5235 AN ACT SEPARATING THE ESPERANZA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ROTONDA ANNEX IN BARANGAY ROTONDA, CITY OF KORONADAL, PROVINCE OF SOUTH COTABATO FROM THE ESPERANZA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS ROTONDA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5498 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY DIANAWAN, MUNICIPALITY OF MARIA AURORA, PROVINCE OF AURORA TO BE KNOWN AS DIANAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5502 AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ANNEX OF THE PARADISE EMBAC NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN SITIO TIBUNGOL, BARANGAY PANDAITAN, PAQUIBATO DISTRICT, CITY OF DAVAO TO BE KNOWN AS LORENZO LATAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 5503 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY JESUS DELA PEÑA, CITY OF

MARIKINA, METRO MANILA TO BE KNOWN AS JESUS DELA PEÑA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 5541 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY INDUSTRIAL VALLEY COMPLEX, CITY OF MARIKINA, METRO MANILA TO BE KNOWN AS INDUSTRIAL VALLEY COMPLEX NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Approved on Second Reading

- H. No. 4469 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF LUBUAGAN, PROVINCE OF KALINGA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (B) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR'
- H. No. 4471 AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF NAVOTAS, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (D) AND SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4472 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAJIDIOCAN, ISLAND OF SIBUYAN, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN

AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4473 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TACLOBAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (I) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4474 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC VIEJO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4475 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BISLIG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7154, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4479 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF SAGAY, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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H. No. 4489 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN TO BE STATIONED AT PUERTO PRINCESA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4490 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL WITH SEATS AT CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4491 AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT ZAMBOANGA CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (J) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4492 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND A BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITIES OF NAGA AND CARCAR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) AND SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

H. No. 4493 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF

- GUIMBAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4494 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CARMONA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4495 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITIES OF LA CARLOTA AND BAGO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (G) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4497 AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT BRANCHES IN MUNTINLUPA CITY, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980', AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4521 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITIES OF COMPOSTELA AND MABINI, COMPOSTELA VALLEY PROVINCE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (L) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

- H. No. 4522 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TANAUAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980" AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4744 AN ACT CREATING A REGIONAL TRIAL COURT BRANCH IN THE PROVINCE OF AURORA TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CASIGURAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

- H. No. 4476 AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF CALAMBA AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF LOS BAÑOS AND CABUYAO, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (E) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4511 AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BOGO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
- H. No. 4513 AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND SIX

(6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14 (D) AND SECTION 27 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

For Approval of the President

- H. No. 4245 AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE SECOND (2ND) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF QUEZON CITY, THEREBY CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS AND TWELVE (12) SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SEATS FROM SUCH REAPPORTIONMENT
- H. No. 5917 AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF ILAGAN IN THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ILAGAN

Approved on Third Reading

- H. No. 5608 AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN INTO THREE (3) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS Approved on Second Reading
- **H. No. 4111** AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE OF COTABATO INTO THREE (3) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

H. No. 537 AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF NAGA, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CHARTER DAY OF THE CITY OF NAGA"

- **H. No. 540** AN ACT DECLARING JULY 7 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CARCAR, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CITY OF CARCAR CHARTER DAY"
- H. No. 3496 AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 26 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO COMMEMORATE THE HISTORIC LIBERATION OF CEBU FROM THE JAPANESE OCCUPATION DURING WORLD WAR II
- **H. No. 3498** AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 23 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF TANDAG, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CHARTER DAY OF TANDAG CITY"
- H. No. 3714 AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 2 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN PASAY CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE "FOUNDATION DAY OF PASAY CITY"
- **H. No. 3860** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN
- H. No. 4418 AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 7 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MANTICAO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TO BE KNOWN AS "ARAW NG MANTICAO"
- H. No. 4419 AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 15 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF OPOL, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TO BE KNOWN AS "ARAW NG OPOL"
- H. No. 4421 AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 16 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE

MUNICIPALITY OF LUGAIT, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TO BE KNOWN AS "ARAW NG LUGAIT"

H. No. 4422 AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 8 OF EACH YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GITAGUM, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TO BE KNOWN AS "ARAW NG GITAGUM"

H. No. 4423 AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 16 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDARY IN THE CITY OF NAVOTAS

H. No. 4424 AN ACT DECLARING MAY 22 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF GUIMARAS TO COMMEMORATE ITS ANNIVERSARY

H. No. 4425 AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 24 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF LIGAO, PROVINCE OF ALBAY TO COMMEMORATE ITS FOUNDATION ANNIVERSARY

H. No. 4451 AN ACT CREATING THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL

PUBLIC SERVICES

For Approval of the President

H. No. 4245 AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE SECOND (2ND) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF QUEZON CITY, THEREBY CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS AND TWELVE (12) SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD SEATS FROM SUCH REAPPORTIONMENT

Approved on Third Reading by the Senate/

Sent Back to the House of Representatives

H. No. 4379 AN ACT GRANTING THE RELIANCE BROADCASTING UNLIMITED, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

H. No. 4668 AN ACT GRANTING THE CULTURAL FOUNDATION OF DAVAO DEL SUR INCORPORATED (CFDI) A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN DAVAO DEL SUR

H. No. 5491 AN ACT GRANTING THE NUEVA VIZCAYA STATE UNIVERSITY A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN REGION II

H. No. 5492 AN ACT GRANTING THE TV MARIA FOUNDATION PHILIPPINES, INCORPORATED A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES

H. No. 5574 AN ACT GRANTING THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES

H. No. 5613 AN ACT AMENDING THE FRANCHISE OF WI-TRIBE TELECOMS, INC., (FORMERLY LIBERTY BROADCASTING NETWORK, INCORPORATED) GRANTED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1553, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4154, AND RENEWING/EXTENDING THE TERM THEREOF FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT

Approved on Second Reading

H. No. 4111 AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE OF COTABATO INTO THREE (3) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS

Pending Second Reading, Period of Interpellations

- **H. No. 537** AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 5 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING PUBLIC HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF NAGA, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CHARTER DAY OF THE CITY OF NAGA"
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- H. No. 3860 AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REAPPORTIONMENT OF THE LONE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN

PERFORMANCE OF THE SENATE

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS

SECOND REGULAR SESSION July 25, 2011 -- June 8, 2012

SIGNED INTO LAW (18)

1. R.A. No. 10155 An Act Appropriating Funds for the Operation of the Government of the Republic of the Philippines From January One to December Thirty-One, Two Thousand Twelve, and for Other Purposes (H. No. 5023) [December 14, 2011]

2. R.A. No. 10156

An Act Conferring Upon Members of the Sangguniang Sangguniang Bayan, Panlungsod, and Sangguniang Panlalawigan, the Appropriate Civil Service Eligibility Under Certain Circumstances, And for Other Purposes (S. No. 2946/ H. No. 4357) [December 20, 2011]

3. Jt. Res. No. 2

Joint Resolution Increasing The FY 2011 Corporate Operating Budget Of The National Power Corporation From Seven Billion Five **Hundred Seventy-Five Million** One Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Pesos (Php7,575,184,000.00) To Thirteen Billion Nine Hundred Sixty-Eight Million Six Hundred Two Thousand Pesos (Php13.968.602.000.00) (S. Jt. Res. 13/H. Jt. Res. 270 [December 23, 2011]

4. R.A. No. 10157

An Act Institutionalizing the Kindergarten Education Into the Basic Education System and Appropriating Funds Therefor (H. No. 3826) [January 20, 2012]

5. R.A. No. 10158

An Act Decriminalizing Vagrancy, Amending For This Purpose Article 202 of Act No. 3815, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Revised Penal Code (S. No. 2726/H. No. 4936) [March 27, 2012]

6. R.A. No. 10159

An Act Amending Article 39 of Act No. 3815, as Amended, Otherwise Known as the Revised Penal Code (S. No. 2808/H. No. 600) [April 11, 2012]

7. R.A. No. 10160

An Act Converting the Municipality of Bacoor in the Province of Cavite Into a Component City to Be Known as the City of Bacoor (H. No. 4730) [April 10, 2012]

8. R.A. No. 10161 An Act Converting the Municipality of Imus in the

Province of Cavite Into a Component City to Be Known as the City of Imus (H. No. 4729) [April 10, 2012]

9. R.A. No. 10162

An Act Creating Two (2) Additional Regional Trial Court Branches in the Province of Laguna to Be Stationed At Sta. Rosa City, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as Amended, and Appropriating Funds Therefor (H. No. 4488) [April 17, 2012]

10. R.A. No. 10163

An Act Converting the Municipality of Cabuyao in the Province of Laguna Into a Component City to Be Known as the City of Cabuyao (H. No. 4259) [May 16, 2012]

11. R.A. No. 10164

An Act Converting the Municipality of Mabalacat in the Province of Pampanga Into a Component City to Be Known as Mabalacat City (H. No. 4736) [May 15, 2012]

12. R.A. No. 10165

An Act to Strengthen and Propagate Foster Care and to Provide Funds Therefor (S. No. 2486/H. No. 4481) [June 11, 2012]

13. R.A. No. 10166 An Act Regulating the Practice of Geology in the Philippines,

Repealing for the Purpose Republic Act Numbered Four Thousand Two Hundred Nine (R.A. No. 4209), Otherwise Known as "Geology Profession Act of the Philippines" and for Other Purposes (S. No. 2941/ H. No. 5640) [June 11, 2012]

14. Jt. Res. No. 3

Joint Resolution Annuling the Book of Voters of the Municipalities/Cities in the Autonomous Region of Muslim Mindanao, Directing the Commission on Elections to Immediately Conduct a New General Registration of Voters in the Region, Providing Funds Therefor, And For Other Purposes (S. Jt. Res. No. 17/H. Jt. Res. No. 31) [June 11, 2012]

15. R.A. No. 10167

An Act to Further Strengthen the Anti-Money Laundering Law, Amending for the Purpose Sections 10 And 11 of Republic Act No. 9160, Otherwise Known as the "Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2001", as Amended, and For Other Purposes (S. No. 3009/H. No. 4275) [June 18, 2012]

16. R.A. No. 10168

An Act Defining the Crime of Financing of Terrorism, Providing Penalties Therefor and For Other Purposes (S. No. 3127/H. No. 5015) [June 18, 2012]

17. R.A. No. 10169

An Act Converting the Municipality of Ilagan In The Province of Isabela Into A Component City To Be Known As The City of Ilagan (H. No. 5917) [June 21, 2012]

18. R.A. No. 10170

An Act Reapportioning the Second (2nd) Legislative District of Quezon City, Thereby Creating Two (2) Additional Legislative Districts and Twelve (12) Sangguniang Panlungsod Seats from Such Reapportionment (H. No. 4245) [July 2, 2012]

VETOED BY THE PRESIDENT (3)

1. S. No. 2671 Strengthening the Career Executive System

2. S. No. 2802

Recognizing the Early Years from Zero (0) to Six (6) as the First Crucial Stage of Educational Development and for this Purpose Strengthening the Early Childhood Care and Development Council, Renaming the Day Care Center as Child Development Center

3. S. No. 2869

Prescribing Fixed Terms for the Chief of Staff and the Major Service Commanders of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP)

FOR APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT (5)

1. S. No. 2796	Defining Cybercrime, Providing for Prevention, Investigation and Imposition of Penalties
2. S. No. 2811	Establishing the People's Survival Fund to Provide Long Term Finance Streams to Enable the Government to Effectively Address the Problem of Climate Change, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No. 9729, Otherwise Known as "The Climate Change Act of 2009"
3. S. No. 2965	Protecting Individual Personal Information in Information and Communications Systems in the Government and the Private Sector, Creating for this Purpose a National Data Protection Commission
4. S. No. 3113	Further Authorizing The City or Municipal Civil Registrar or The Consul-General To Correct Clerical or Typographical Errors in the Day and Month in the Date of Birth or Sex of A Person Appearing in the Civil Register Without Need of A Judicial Order, Amending For This Purpose Republic Act Numbered Ninety Forty-Eight
5. S. No. 3146	Reviving the Observance of

Arbor Day by Authorizing the

Local Government Units the Responsibilities for Celebrating the Day for Tree-Planting as an Annual Event

Creating the Department of

As Amended, Otherwise Known as The Labor Code of

PENDING IN THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (3)

1. S. No. 50

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	Information and
	Communications Technology
2. S. No. 429	Expanding the Prohibited Acts of Discrimination Against Women on Account of Sex, Gender, Age, Race, Ethnic Origin, Religion or Beliefs, Disability, or Other Status, Amending for the Purpose Articles 135 and 137 of Presidential Decree No. 442,

3. S. No. 2814 Prohibiting Discrimination, Profiling, Violence and All Forms of Intolerance Against Persons Based on Ethnicity, Race, Religion or Belief, Sex, Gender, Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, Language, Disability, or Other Status

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APPROVED ON THIRD READING BY THE SENATE/ PENDING IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (14)

1. S. No. 1537 Protecting The Confidentiality of Victim's and Witness' Address and Telephone

2. S. No. 2817	Number During Trial or Hearing Related To A Criminal Prosecution Defining and Penalizing the Crime of Enforced or Involuntary Disappearance	7. S. Jt. Res. 14	Extending The Life of The Congressional Oversight Committee on Dangerous Drugs, Constituted Pursuant To Section 95 of Republic Act No. 9165, Otherwise Known As The Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002
3. S. No. 2875	Providing for Security of Tenure For All Casual and Contractual Employees of the Government Who Have Rendered the Prescribed Years of Service in the National Government Agencies and the Local Government Units and for Other Purposes	8. H. No. 4379	Granting the Reliance Broadcasting Unlimited, Inc. A Franchise To Construct, Install, Establish, Operate and Maintain Radio and Television Broadcasting Stations In The Philippines
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13. H. No. 5608 Reapportioning the Province of Palawan Into Three (3) Legislative Districts

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12. H. No. 778	School To Be Known As Balugan National High School Establishing A National High School In Barangay Bunga, Municipality Of Tadian, Mountain Province To Be Known As Bunga National High School	16. H. No. 906	Separating The Bislig City National High School - San Vicente Annex In Barangay San Vicente, City Of Bislig, Province Of Surigao Del Sur From The Bislig City National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As San Vicente National High School
13. H. No. 779	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Balaoa, Municipality Of Tadian, Mountain Province To Be Known As Balaoa National High School	17. H. No. 1014	Separating The Bislig City National High School - Sta. Cruz Annex In Barangay Sta. Cruz, City Of Bislig, Province Of Surigao Del Sur From The Bislig City National High School,
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20. H. No. 1814	Dinggoy Araneta Roxas Memorial Elementary School Converting The Negros State College of Agriculture (NSCA) In The City of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental Into A State University To Be Known As The Central Philippines State University (CPSU)	24. H. No. 1295	Separating The Ocampo National High School - Hanawan Annex In Barangay Hanawan, Municipality Of Ocampo, Province Of Camarines Sur From The Ocampo National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Hanawan National High School
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22. H. No. 1209	Separating The Santa Fe National High School - Canabuan Annex In Barangay Canabuan, Municipality Of Santa Fe, Province Of Nueva Vizcaya From The Santa Fe National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Canabuan National High School	26. H. No. 1319	Separating The Dona Carmen National High School - Tagbina Annex In Barangay Poblacion, Municipality Of Tagbina, Province Of Surigao Del Sur From The Doña Carmen National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Tagbina National High School
23. H. No. 1294	Converting The Calabanga National High School In The Municipality Of Calabanga, Province Of Camarines Sur Into A National Science High School To Be Known As Calabanga National Science High School	27. H. No. 1338	Separating The Oton National High School - Cambitu Extension In Barangay Caboloan Sur, Municipality Of Oton, Province Of Iloilo From The Oton National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High

28. H. No. 1339	School To Be Known As Cambitu National High School Separating The Tigbauan National High School - Bagacay Extension In Barangay Bagacay, Municipality Of Tigbauan, Province Of Iloilo From The Tigbauan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Bagacay National High School	32. H. No. 1450	Annex In Barangay Quipayo, Municipality Of Calabanga, Province Of Camarines Sur From The Calabanga National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Quipayo National High School Separating The Pili National High School - San Jose Pili Annex In Barangay San Jose, Municipality Of Pili, Province Of
29. H. No. 1340	Separating The Don Felix Serra National High School - Bad-As Extension In Barangay Bad- As, Municipality Of San Joaquin, Province Of Iloilo From The Don Felix Serra National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Bad- As National High School	33. H. No. 1463	Camarines Sur From The Pili National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As San Jose Pili National High School Establishing A National High School In Barangay Bantayan, Municipality Of Pilar, Province Of Sorsogon To Be Known As Bantayan National High School
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Establishing A National High School In Barangay Behia,		Dumingag National High School
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36. H. No. 1468

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39. H. No. 1571

Independent National High School To Be Known As Tapilon National High School

44. H. No. 1879

Establishing A National High School In Barangay Tinggabulong, Municipality Of Dimataling, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur To Be Known As Tinggabulong National High School

45. H. No. 1974

Separating The Tagasaka National High School - Biga-An Annex In Barangay Biga-An, Municipality Of Hinatuan, Province Of Surigao Del Sur From The Tagasaka National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Biga-An National High School

46. H. No. 1975

Separating The Bislig City National High School -Tumanan Annex In Barangay Tumanan, City of Bislig, Province Of Surigao Del Sur From The Bislig City National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Tumanan National High School

47. H. No. 2218

Separating The Tambulig National High School - Bag-Ong Kauswagan Annex In Barangay Bag-Ong Kauswagan, Municipality Of Tambulig, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur From The Tambulig National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Bag-Ong Kauswagan National High School

48. H. No. 2219

Separating The Dulop National High School - Lower Timonan Annex In Barangay Lower Timonan, Municipality Of Dumingag, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur From The Dulop National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Paquito S. Yu Memorial National High School

49. H. No. 2220

Separating The Simata National High School - Parasan Annex In Barangay Parasan, Municipality Of Molave, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur From The Simata National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Parasan National High School

50. H. No. 2221

Separating The Tambulig National High School - Sumalig Annex In Barangay Sumalig, Municipality Of Tambulig, Province Of Zamboanga Del Sur From The Tambulig National High School, Converting It Into An

	School To Be Known As Sumalig National High School
51. H. No. 2225	Separating The Pinukpuk Vocational High School - Tappo Annex In Barangay Apatan, Municipality Of Pinukpuk, Province Of Kalinga From The Pinukpuk Vocational High School, Converting It Into An Independent National Vocational High School To Be Known As Tappo Vocational High School
52. H. No. 2228	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Isic-Isic, Municipality Of Vintar, Province Of Ilocos Norte To Be Known As Isic-Isic National High School
53. H. No. 2317	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Lapero, Municipality Of Sindangan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte To Be Known As Lapero National High School
54. H. No. 2318	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Lipakan, Municipality Of Roxas, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte To Be Known As Lipakan National High School
55. H. No. 2319	Separating The Marupay National High School - Moliton Annex In Barangay Moliton,

Independent National High

Municipality Of Roxas, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Marupay National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Moliton National High School

56. H. No. 2320

Separating The Katipunan National High School - Sitog Annex In Barangay Sitog, Municipality Of Katipunan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Katipunan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Sitog National High School

57. H. No. 2321

Separating The Katipunan National High School - Basagan Annex In Barangay Basagan, Municipality Of Katipunan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Katipunan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Basagan National High School

58. H. No. 2322

Separating The Katipunan National High School - Sinuyak Annex In Barangay Sinuyak, Municipality Of Katipunan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Katipunan National High School, Converting It Into An

Independent National High School To Be Known As Sinuyak National High School	62. H. No. 2746	Establishing A National High School In Barangay R.G. Macias, Municipality Of Sindangan, Province Of
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Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Siayan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Gunyan National High School	63. H. No. 2919	Separating The Sorsogon National Agricultural School - Mayon Annex In Barangay Mayon, Municipality Of Castilla, Province Of Sorsogon From The Sorsogon National Agricultural School, Converting
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Province Of Samar From The Sta. Margarita National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Napuro National High School	64. H. No. 3000	Changing The Name Of Gusa National High School In Barangay Gusa, City Of Cagayan De Oro, Province Of Misamis Oriental To Gusa Regional Science High School
Separating The Banaybanay National High School - Leandro G. Japos High School Annex In Barangay Piso, Municipality Of Banaybanay, Province Of Davao Oriental From The	65. H. No. 3072	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Buli, Municipality Of Bato, Province Of Leyte To Be Known As Buli National High School
Banaybanay National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High School	66. H. No. 3202	Separating The Kalinga National High School - Mananig Annex In Barangay Dugpa, Municipality Of Pinukpuk, Province Of Kalinga From The Kalinga National High School,
	School To Be Known As Sinuyak National High School Separating The Siayan National High School - Gunyan Annex In Barangay Gunyan, Municipality Of Siayan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Siayan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Gunyan National High School Separating The Sta. Margarita National High School - Napuro Annex In Barangay Napuro, Municipality Of Sta. Margarita, Province Of Samar From The Sta. Margarita National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Napuro National High School Separating The Banaybanay National High School Annex In Barangay Piso, Municipality Of Banaybanay, Province Of Davao Oriental From The Banaybanay National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High	School To Be Known As Sinuyak National High School Separating The Siayan National High School - Gunyan Annex In Barangay Gunyan, Municipality Of Siayan, Province Of Zamboanga Del Norte From The Siayan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Gunyan National High School Separating The Sta. Margarita National High School - Napuro Annex In Barangay Napuro, Municipality Of Sta. Margarita, Province Of Samar From The Sta. Margarita National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Napuro National High School Separating The Banaybanay National High School - Leandro G. Japos High School - Leandro G. Japos High School Annex In Barangay Piso, Municipality Of Banaybanay, Province Of Davao Oriental From The Banaybanay National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High School To Be Known As Leandro G. Japos National High

67. H. No. 3203	Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Mananig National High School Separating The Tabuk National High School - New Tanglag Annex In Barangay New Tanglag, Municipality Of Tabuk, Province Of Kalinga	72. H. No. 4154	Separating The Limos National High School - New Camalog Annex In Barangay Camalog, Municipality Of Pinukpuk, Province Of Kalinga From The Limos National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Camalog National High School
	From The Tabuk National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As New Tanglag National High School	73. H. No. 4170	Converting The Catanduanes State Colleges In The Province of Catanduanes Into A State University To Be Known As The Catanduanes State
68. H. No. 3419	Renaming The Aparri School Of Arts And Trade (ASAT) In Aparri, Cagayan Into The Aparri Polytechnic Institute (API)	74. H. No. 4413	University Converting The Quirino State College (QSC) In The Municipality of Diffun, Province of Quirino Into A State
69. H. No. 3733	Establishing A National Technical-Vocational High School In The Municipality Of Mayantoc, Province Of Tarlac To Be Known As Mayantoc National Technical-Vocational High School		University To Be Known As The Quirino State University (QSU), Integrating Therewith The Quirino Polytechnic College (QPC) In The Municipality of Cabarroguis and the Maddela Institute Of Technology (MIT) In The Municipality of Maddela,
70. H. No. 3987	Establishing A National High School In Barangay Malimatoc I., Municipality Of Mabini,		All Located In The Province of Quirino
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71. H. No. 4111	Reapportioning the Province of Cotabato Into Three (3) Legislative Districts		Kalinga, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (B) of Batas Pambansa Blg.

129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980'. As Amended

76. H. No. 4471

Creating Three (3) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court and Two (2) Additional Branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court to Be Stationed at the City of Navotas, Metro Manila, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (D) and Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

77. H. No. 4472

Creating an Additional Branch of the Regional Trial Court to Be Stationed at the Municipality of Cajidiocan, Island of Sibuyan, Province of Romblon, Amending For The Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

78. H. No. 4473

Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court in the Province of Leyte to Be Stationed at the City of Tacloban, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (I) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980. As Amended

79. H. No. 4474

Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court to Be Stationed at the Municipality of Barotac Viejo, Province of Iloilo, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (G) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

80. H. No. 4475

Creating an Additional Branch of the Regional Trial Court to be Stationed at the City of Bislig, Province of Surigao Del Sur, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (L) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended by Republic Act No. 7154

81. H. No. 4479

Creating an Additional Branch of the Regional Trial Court to be Stationed at the City of Sagay, Province of Negros Occidental, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (G) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended

82. H. No. 4489

Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Province of Palawan to be Stationed at Puerto Princesa City, Amending

for the Purpose Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

83. H. No. 4490

Creating Two (2) Additional Branches Of The Municipal Trial Court In Cities In The Province Of Misamis Oriental With Seats At Cagayan De Oro City, Amending For The Purpose Section 29 Of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act Of 1980', As Amended

84. H. No. 4491

Creating Four (4) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court In The Ninth Judicial Region To Be Stationed At Zamboanga City, Amending For The Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (J) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act Of 1980', As Amended

85. H. No. 4493

Creating an Additional Regional Trial Court Branch in the Province of Iloilo To Be Stationed at the Municipality of Guimbal, Amending For the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (G) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended

86. H. No. 4494

Creating an Additional Regional Trial Court Branch in the Province of Cavite To Be Stationed at the Municipality of Carmona, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

87. H. No. 4495

Creating Two (2) Additional Regional Trial Court Branches in the Province of Negros Occidental To Be Stationed at the Cities of La Carlota and Bago, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (G) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended

88. H. No. 4497

Creating Five (5) Additional Metropolitan Trial Court Branches in Muntinlupa City, Metro Manila, Amending for the Purpose Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980', As Amended

89. H. No. 4521

Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court To Be Stationed at the Municipalities of Compostela and Mabini, Compostela Valley Province, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph

	(L) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended
90. H. No. 4522	Creating an Additional Branch of the Regional Trial Court in the Province of Batangas To Be Stationed at the City of Tanauan, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980" As Amended
91. H. No. 4744	Creating a Regional Trial Court Branch in the Province of Aurora To Be Stationed at the Municipality of Casiguran, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of

1980", As Amended

92. H. No. 5118

Separating The Masla National High School - Subaba Annex In Barangay Sumadel, Municipality Of Tadian, Mountain Province From The Masla National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Subaba National High School

93. H. No. 5124 Separating The Lamian National High School -Lamsugod Annex In Barangay Lamsugod, Municipality Of Surallah, Province Of South Cotabato From The Lamian National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Lamsugod National High School

School To Be Known As

Paracelis Technical And

Vocational High School

94. H. No. 5190

Separating The Bacarri National Trade-Agricultural School - Labay Annex In Barangay Poblacion, Municipality Of Paracelis, Mountain Province Fromt He Bacarri National Trade-Agricultural School, Converting It Into An Independent National Technical-Vocational High

95. H. No. 5191

Separating The Bacarri National Trade-Agricultural School - Anonat Annex In Barangay Anonat, Municipality Of Paracelis, Mountain Province From The Bacarri National Trade-Agricultural School, Converting It Into An Independent National Technical-Vocational High School To Be Known As Anonat National Agricultural And Vocational High School

96. H. No. 5193 Separating The Tinabilan National High School -

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Palompon Annex In Barangay Central Ii, Municipality Of Palompon, Province Of Leyte From The Tinabilan National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Palompon National High School Separating The Esperanza

97. H. No. 5235

Separating The Esperanza National High School - Rotonda Annex In Barangay Rotonda, City Of Koronadal, Province Of South Cotabato From The Esperanza National High School, Converting It Into An Independent National High School To Be Known As Rotonda National High School

98. H. No. 5498

Establishing A National High School In Barangay Dianawan, Municipality Of Maria Aurora, Province Of Aurora To Be Known As Dianawan National High School

99. H. No. 5502

Establishing An Annex Of The Paradise Embac National High School In Sitio Tibungol, Barangay Pandaitan, Paquibato District, City Of Davao To Be Known As Lorenzo Latawan National High School

100. H. No. 5503

Establishing A National High School In Barangay Jesus Dela Pena, City Of Marikina, Metro Manila To Be Known As Jesus Dela Pena National High School 101. H. No. 5541

Establishing A National High School In Barangay Industrial Valley Complex, City Of Marikina, Metro Manila To Be Known As Industrial Valley Complex National High School

PENDING SECOND READING, SPECIAL ORDER (50)

Period of Interpellations (48)

1. S. No. 107

Requiring Public Officials and Employees To Submit A Written Permission or Waiver In Favor of the Ombudsman To Look Into All Deposits of Whatever Nature With Banks or Banking Institutions Both Within and Outside The Philippines Including Investment Bonds Issued By The Government of the Philippines, Its Political Subdivisions and Instrumentalities and Providing Penalties Therefor

2. S. No. 2107

Amending Article 177 of Act No. 3815, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Revised Penal Code

3. S. No. 2757

Promoting Employment Opportunities in Real Estate Service in the Philippines, Amending for the Purpose Certain Provisions of Republic Act No. 9646, Otherwise

4. S. No. 2818	Known As The Real Estate Service Act of the Philippines Strengthening the Functional and Structural Organization of the Commission on Human Rights	11. S. No. 2972	Providing Stiffer Penalties for the Crime of Theft and Robbery of Portable Communication Devices and Portable Computers
5. S. No. 2854	Institutionalizing the Rights of Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) Members, Providing Them Additional	12. S. No. 2973	Amending Section 2 of Act No. 4103, As Amended, Otherwise Known as the Indeterminate Sentence Law
	Representation in the GSIS Board, Ensuring Prompt Payment of All Their Benefits	13. S. No. 3060	Amending Articles 363 and 364 of Act No. 3815, As Amended, Otherwise Known as The Revised Penal Code
6. S. No. 2856	Providing Incentives for the Manufacture, Assembly, Conversion and Importation of Electric, Hybrid and Other Alternative Fuel Vehicles	14. S. No. 3064	Amending Articles 29, 94, 97, 98 and 99 of Act No. 3815, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Revised Penal Code
7. S. No. 2857	Institutionalizing the Participation of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in the Preparation and Authorization Process of the Annual National Budget	15. S. No. 3077	Criminalizing Necrophilia or Carnal Knowledge With The Dead and Imposing Appropriate Penalties Thereof, Incorporating For This Purpose
8. S. No. 2860	Providing for Protection, Security and Benefits of Whistleblowers		Article 335-A Into Act No. 3815, As Amended, Otherwise Known As The Revised Penal Code
9. S. No. 2861	Limiting the Term of Office of the Regular Members of the JBC	16. S. No. 3078	Penalizing Any Member of Law Enforcement Agencies, or Any Other Government Official or
10. S. No. 2970	Reorganizing and Modernizing the National Bureau of Investigation		Employee Who Fails or Refuses to Testify As Witness in Any Criminal Proceedings

17. S. No. 3091	Instituting a National Land Use Policy		and Eight, Entitled 'Law Regulating the Environmental Planning Profession in the Philippines'
18. S. No. 3093	Amending Article 183 of Act No. 3815, As Amended, Declaring The Filing of False Complaints Against Public Officers As An Aggravating Circumstance of Perjury	23. S. No. 3139	Regulate and Modernize the Practice of the Interior Design in the Philippines, Repealing for the Purpose Republic Act Numbered 8534 Otherwise Known as An Act Regulating
19. S. No. 3098	Penalizing Anti-Competitive Conduct, Abuse Of Dominance, And Anti-		the Practice of Interior Design in the Philippines
	Competitive Mergers, Establishing For The Purpose An Office For Competition Under The Department Of Justice	24. S. No. 3140	Regulating the Practice of Pharmacy in the Philippines, Repealing for the Purpose Republic Act No. 5921, The Pharmacy Law, As Amended
20. S. No. 3123	Further Strengthening The Anti-Money Laundering Law, Amending For The Purpose Republic Act No. 9160,	25. S. No. 3148	Providing for Rules on Plea Bargaining Agreement in Criminal Cases
	Otherwise Known As The 'Anti- Money Laundering Act of 2001', As Amended	26. S. No. 3204	Instituting The Philippine Public Safety College System As The Premier Educational Institution
21. S. No. 3137	Regulating the Education and Licensure of Physicians and the Practice of Medicine in the Philippines, Repealing for the		For Training, Human Resource Development and Continuing Education of All Police, Fire and Jail Personnel
	Purpose Republic Act No. 2382, As Amended	27. S. No. 3208	Fortifying The People's Right of Ownership Over Information Held By The
22. S. No. 3138	Regulating the Practice of Environmental Planning, Repealing for the Purpose,		People's Government
	Presidential Decree Numbered One Thousand Three Hundred	28. S. No. 3210	Strengthening Workers' Rights To Peaceful Concerted
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	Activities, Amending For This Purpose Articles 263, 264 And 272 of Presidential Decree No. 442, Otherwise Known As The Labor Code of the Philippines, As Amended	34. H. No. 3498	Declaring June 23 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the City of Tandag, Province of Surigao del Sur to be Known as the Charter Day of Tandag City
29. S. No. 3215	Strengthening the Career Executive Service	35. H. No. 3714	Declaring December 2 of Every Year as a Special
30. S. No. 3217	Repealing the Minimum Height Requirement For Applicants To The Philippine National Police,		Nonworking Holiday in Pasay City to be Known as the Foundation Day of Pasay City
	Bureau of Jail Management and Penology, and Bureau of Fire Protection	36. H. No. 3860	Providing For The Reapportionment of the Lone Legislative District of the Province of Aklan
31. H. No. 537	Declaring September 5 of Every Year a Special Nonworking Public Holiday in the City of Naga, Province of Cebu to be Known as the Charter Day of the City of Naga	37. H. No. 4418	Declaring February 7 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the Municipality of Manticao, Province of Misamis Oriental in Commemoration of Its Founding Anniversary to Be Known as "Araw ng Manticao"
32. H. No. 540	Declaring July 7 of Every Year a Special Nonworking Public Holiday in the City Of Carcar, Province of Cebu, to be Known as the Charter Day of the City of Carcar	38. H. No. 4419	Declaring June 15 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the Municipality of Opol, Province of Misamis Oriental in Commemoration of its Founding Anniversary to be
33. H. No. 3496	Declaring March 26 of Every Year a Special Nonworking Public Holiday in the Province of Cebu to Commemorate the Historic Liberation of Cebu from the Japanese Occupation During World War II	39. H. No. 4421	Known as "Araw ng Opol" Declaring March 16 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the Municipality of Lugat, Province of Misamis Oriental in Commemoration of

40. H. No. 4422	its Founding Anniversary to be Known as "Araw ng Lugat"		129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended
40. П. NO. 4422	Declaring June 8 of Each Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the Municipality of Gitagum, Province of Misamis Oriental in Commemoration of its Founding Anniversary to be Known as "Araw ng Gitagum"	46. H. No. 4492	Creating Two (2) Branches of the Regional Trial Court and A Branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Province of Cebu To Be Stationed At the Cities Of Naga and Carcar, Amending for the Purpose
41. H. No. 4423	Declaring January 16 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the City of Navotas		Section 14, Paragraph (H) and Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As 'The Judiciary Reorganization
42. H. No. 4424	Declaring May 22 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking		Act of 1980', As Amended
	Holiday in the Province of Guimaras to Commemorate its Anniversary	47. H. No. 4511	Creating an Additional Branch of the Regional Trial Court To Be Stationed at the City of Bogo, Province of Cebu,
43. H. No. 4425	Declaring March 24 of Every Year as a Special Nonworking Holiday in the City of Ligao, Province of Albay to Commemorate its Foundation Anniversary		Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (H) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, As Amended, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980"
44. H. No. 4451	Creating The Province of Davao Occidental	48. H. No. 4513	Creating Two (2) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court and Six (6) Additional
45. H. No. 4476	Creating Five (5) Additional Branches of the Regional Trial Court to be Stationed at the City of Calamba and the Municipalities of Los Banos and Cabuyao, All in the Province of Laguna, Amending for the Purpose Section 14, Paragraph (E) of Batas Pambansa Blg.		Branches of the Metropolitan Trial Court To Be Stationed at the City of Valenzuela, Metro Manila, Amending for the Purpose Section 14 (D) and Section 27 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, Otherwise Known As "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", As Amended

Period of Amendments (2)

1. S. No. 2865 Providing for a National Policy on Reproductive Health and Population and Development

2. S. No. 3071 Promoting Competitive Filipino

Design, Providing for the Purpose a National Design Policy and Re-Engineering and Renaming the Product Development and Design Center of the Philippines (PDDCP) Into the Design Center of the Philippines

ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS (53)

- A. Resolutions Concurring in the Ratification of Treaties and/or International Agreements/Conventions (8)
 - 1. S. Res. No. 57 Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (PSR-546) [August 23, 2011]
 - 2. S. Res. No. 77 Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Protocol Additional to the Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949, and Relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I) (PSR-663) [March 6, 2012]
 - 3. S. Res. No. 78 Resolution Concurring in the Accession to the Optional

Protocol to the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (PSR-664) [March 6, 2012]

4. S. Res. No. 79

Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Agreement Between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM) to Establish the Office of the Worldfish Center in the Philippines (PSR-708) [March 6, 2012]

5. S. Res. No. 81

Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Treaty on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters Between the Republic of the Philippines and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (PSR-732) [May 8, 2012]

6. S. Res. No. 82

Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Consular Agreement Between the Republic of the Philippines and the People's Republic of China (PSR-733) [May 8, 2012]

7. S. Res. No. 83

Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Treaty Between the Republic of the Philippines and the People's Republic of China Concerning Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters (PSR-734) [May 8, 2012]

8. S. Res. No. 87 Resolution Concurring in the Ratification of the Convention on Social Security Between the Republic of the Philippines and The Kingdom of Spain (PSR-751) [May 15, 2012]

B. Simple Resolutions (40)

1. S. Res. No. 50

Resolution Informing the House of Representatives That a Quorum Is Present in the Senate, and That This Body Has Entered Upon the Exercise of its Functions for the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines (PSR-535) [July 25, 2011]

2. S. Res. No. 51

Resolution Informing His Excellency, the President of the Philippines, That a Quorum Is Present in the Senate, and That This Body Has Entered Upon the Exercise of its Functions for the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines (PSR-536) [July 25, 2011]

3. S. Res. No. 52 Resolution Congratulating the *Iglesia Filipina Independiente* (*IFI*), Under the Leadership of His Eminence, the Most Reverend Ephraim S.

Fajutagana, on the Occasion of its 109th Founding Anniversary on August 3, 2011 (PSR-545) [August 9, 2011]

4. S. Res. No. 53

Resolution Congratulating the Philippine Dragon Boat Team for Winning and Setting New World Records in the International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) 10th World Championships in Tampa Bay, Florida (PSR-547, 548, 550, 554) [August 10, 2011]

5. S. Res. No. 54 Creating a Select Oversight Committee on the Local Government Code of 1991 (PSR-549) [August 10, 2011]

6. S. Res. No. 55 Resolution Creating a Select Oversight Committee on Government Procurement (PSR-552) [August 10, 2011]

7. S. Res. No. 56 Resolution Creating a Committee on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation, Amending for the Purpose Rule X, Section 13 of the Rules of the Senate (PSR-567) [August 17, 2011]

8. S. Res. No. 58 Resolution Congratulating and Commending the Awardees for the 2011 Search for Outstanding Teachers Honored by the Metrobank Foundation (PSR-564 & 573) [August 23, 2011]

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- 9. S. Res. No. 59 Resolution Honoring and Commending the Outstanding Philippine Soldiers (TOPS) of 2011 (PSR-542) [August 23, 2011]
- 10. S. Res. No. 60 Resolution Congratulating and Commending the Country's Outstanding Policemen in Service (C.O.P.S.) of 2011 (PSR-562 & 563) [August 23, 2011]
- 11. S. Res. No. 61 Resolution Commending the Filipino Athletes Who Participated in the 6th Asian Junior Wushu Championships Held Last August 17 to 21, 2011, in Shanghai, China (PSR-576) [August 24, 2011]
- Resolution Expressing the 12. S. Res. No. 62 Sense of the Senate to Join the Community of Nations and Parliaments Around the World. and Encourage Organizations and Individuals to Engage in **Activities** Meaningful Commemorating the Fourth International Dav Democracy on September 15, 2011 with the Theme: What Do Citizens Expect of Their Parliaments? (PSR-595) [September 14, 2011]
- 13. S. Res. No. 63 Resolution Commending Father Pierre Tritz, SJ in

Recognition of His Noble Deeds and Devoting Sixty Years of Selfless Service in Helping Disadvantaged Filipino Children Go to School and Giving Them Opportunities to Have Better Lives (PSR-594) [September 20, 2011]

- 14. S. Res. No. 64 Resolution Commending
 Philippine Labor Attache to
 Libya Nasser Mustafa and the
 Philippine Embassy for the
 Daring and Timely Rescue and
 Repatriation of Household
 Workers Diana Jill Rivera and
 Mary Ann Ducos From the
 Gadhafi Compound in Libya
 (PSR-611) [September 27,
 2011]
- 15. S. Res. No. 65 Resolution Commending the Filipino Student Athletes Who Joined and Competed in the Recently Concluded 26th Summer Universiade Held in Shenzhen, China on August 12-23, 2011 (PSR-579) [October 5, 2011]
- 16. S. Res. No. 66 Resolution Commending Shamcey G. Supsup for Honoring the Philippines with a Third Runner-Up Finish in the 2011 Miss Universe Pageant, and for Demonstrating Before the World, the Beauty and Intelligence of Filipino Women (PSR-599) [October 10, 2011]

- 17. S. Res. No. 67 Resolution Congratulating and Commending Filipino Teenager Trisha Co Reyes for Being Declared the Global Winner in the United Nations **Environment Programmes** International Children's Painting Competition on the **Environment Awarded During** the Tunza International Children and Youth Conference on the Environment in Bandung, Indonesia Held Last 27 September to 1 October, 2011 (PSR-618 & 627) [November 14, 2011]
- 18. S. Res. No. 68 Resolution Commending Ms. Gwendoline R. Ruais for Giving Honor to the Philippines by Placing First Runner-Up in the 2011 Miss World Beauty Pageant Held Last November 6, 2011, in London, England and for Showcasing Stunning Beauty, Commendable Personality and Exceptional Intelligence (PSR-646) [November 21, 2011]
- 19. S. Res. No. 69 Resolution Declaring November 23 of Every Year to Be a National Day to End Impunity (PSR-642) [November 23, 2011]
- 20. S. Res. No. 70 Resolution Creating a Select Oversight Committee on Suffrage (PSR-652) [November 23, 2011]

- 21. S. Res. No. 71 Resolution Amending Section 13 (35) Rule X of the Senate Rules by Dividing Into Two Separate Standing Committees the Committee on Games, Amusement and Sports (PSR-653) [November 23, 2011]
- 22. S. Res. No. 72 Resolution Declaring Support to the Commemoration of the Tenth Anniversary of the International Year Volunteers (IYV) in the Philippines (IYV + 10) in 2011, Recognizing the Significant Role and Contributions Volunteers in Development and Nation-Building and Enjoining the Public to Organize and Support Volunteering Projects and Activities Toward a Meaningful IYV + 10 Celebration (PSR-281) [December 5, 2011]
- 23. S. Res. No. 73 Resolution Expressing the Sense of the Senate to Urge Government Agencies to Work Collaboratively to Save the Rice Terraces of the Philippine Cordilleras From Degradation (PSR-650) [December 6, 2011]
- 24. S. Res. No. 74 Resolution Commending Senator Miriam Defensor Santiago for Having Been Elected and Topping the

Election as Judge in the Highly Powerful International Criminal Court (PSR-667, 668 & 669) [December 13, 2011]

670) [January 17, 2012]

25. S. Res. No. 75 Resolution Expressing the Profound Sympathy and Sincere Condolences of the Philippine Senate on the Death of Hundreds of Residents in Cagayan De Oro City, Iligan City, Negros Oriental, Zamboanga Del Norte, Compostela Valley and Bukidnon as a Result of the Devastation Caused by Tropical Storm Sendong (International Name Washi) on December 17, 2011 (PSR-

26. S. Res. No. 76 Resolution Condemning in the Strongest Possible Terms the Attack on a Filipino Sports Hero and the Entire Philippine Delegation During the International Boxing Federation (IBF) Light Flyweight Crown Title Fight Held in Mar Del Plata, Argentina; and Urging His Excellency, President Benigno S. Aguino III, to Direct the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) to Recall the Philippine Ambassador to Argentina Rey A. Carandang; to Direct the DFA to Call the Ambassador of Argentina to the Philippines, Joaquin Daniel Otero, to Explain the Attack by an Argentine Angry Crowd; and to Call on the President of the IBF to Impose a Ban on the Promoter and the Argentine Boxer of the Said Sporting Event from All IBF-Sanctioned Boxing Bouts, As an Expression of the Country's Displeasure Over the Incident (UNR-2) [February 15, 2012]

(PSR-750) [March 20, 2012]

27. S. Res. No. 80 Resolution Congratulating and Commending Senator Edgardo Javier Angara For Being The First Asian To Be Appointed Corresponding Academic Member of the Prestigious Real Academia Hispano Americana De Ciencias, Artes Y Letras or the Hispano-American Royal Academy of Arts, Sciences and Letters

28. S. Res. No. 84 Resolution Commending Robin Lim For Being Named CNN's 2011 Hero of the Year (PSR-764) [May 9, 2012]

29. S. Res. No. 85

Resolution Recognizing the Late Cornelio Balmaceda For His Accomplishments as Secretary of Commerce and Industry and His Invaluable Role in the Establishment of the Asian Development Bank Headquarters in the Philippines (PSR-765) [May 9, 2012]

30. S. Res. No. 86 Resolution Expressing the Deep Sympathy of the Senate of the Philippines on the Demise of Artist Anita Magsaysay-Ho and Expressing the Sense of the Senate, for the Favorable Consideration of His Excellency, Benigno S. Aguino III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, For the Conferment of The Highest Recognition on Anita Magsaysay-Ho For Her Contribution to the Cultural Heritage of Our Nation (PSR-767) [May 9, 2012]

31. S. Res. No. 88 Resolution Honoring the Late National Artist for Music Felipe Padilla De Leon Who Served the Nation with Utmost Dedication, Championing the Cause of Nationalism Thru the Consistent Use of Folk and Ethnic Themes in His Musical Compositions, Thus Reflecting the Aspirations of the Filipino People for a Genuine National Identity (PSR-771) [May 22, 2012]

32. S. Res. No. 89 Resolution Commending
Senate President Juan Ponce
Enrile for His Resolute, Diligent,
Impartial and Just Leadership
as Presiding Officer of the
Senate Sitting as an
Impeachment Court in the
Matter of the Impeachment

Trial of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court (UNR-3) [May 30, 2012]

33. S. Res. No. 90 Resolution Honoring the Former Senator Helena Z. Benitez for Her Service to the Filipino People and Acknowledging Her Contributions as a Senator, Pioneer Environmentalist, Educator, Advocate of Culture and Civil Society Leader (PSR-

786) [June 4, 2012]

Resolution Commending Gen. 34. S. Res. No. 91 Jose Balajadia Jr. and the Officers and Personnel of the Office of the Sergeant-At-Arms (OSAA) of the Senate for their Swift and Decisive Action and Their Calm and Professional Conduct and **Demeanor in Preventing Chief** Justice Renato C. Corona From Leaving the Senate Premises Without Permission From the Impeachment Preventing Court, Disruption of the Proceedings of the Impeachment Court and Upholding the Dignity, Authority and Honor of the Court and the Senate as an Institution (PSR-783) [June 6, 2012]

35. S. Res. No. 92 Resolution Declaring as Read and Approved the Journal of

the 64th Session of the Senate (PSR-795) [June 6, 2012]

36. S. Res. No. 93

Resolution Authorizing the Production and Distribution of One Hundred Fifty (150)
Printed and Digital Copies Each of the Journal and the Record of the Senate for the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines (PSR-796) [June 6, 2012]

37. S. Res. No. 94 Resolution Commending the Minority Leader of the Senate, The Honorable Alan Peter "Compañero" Cayetano, For His Invaluable Contribution to the Deliberations of the Senate During the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress ((PSR-797) [June 6, 2012]

38. S. Res. No. 95

Resolution Commending the Honorable Vicente C. Sotto III, Senate Majority Leader and Chairman of the Committee on Rules, For Ably Steering the Proceedings of the Senate in the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress (PSR-798) [June 6, 2012]

39. S. Res. No. 96 Resolution Commending the Senate President Pro Tempore, The Honorable Jinggoy Estrada, For His

Outstanding Performance During the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress (PSR-799) [June 6, 2012]

40. S. Res. No. 97 Resolution Commending the Honorable Juan Ponce Enrile, President of the Senate, For His Exemplary and Inspirational Leadership During the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress (PSR-800) [June 6, 2012]

C. Concurrent Resolutions (5)

1. Ct. Res. No. 7 Concurrent Resolution
Providing For the Senate and
the House Of Representatives
to Hold A Joint Session To
Hear the Message of the
President of the Republic of
the Philippines (HCR-13) [July
25, 2011]

Concurrent Resolution Creating 2. Ct. Res. No. 8 A Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Representatives To Notify the President of the Philippines That Congress, Now Convened For Its Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines, Is Ready To Hear His State of the Nation Address In A Joint Session of Both Houses (SCR-7) [July 25, 2011]

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- 3. Ct. Res. No. 9 Concurrent Resolution Providing for the Legislative Calendar of the Second Regular Session of the Fifteenth Congress of the Philippines (SCR-8/HCR-14) [July 26, 2011]
- 4. Ct. Res. No. 10 Concurrent Resolution
 Maintaining the Prevailing
 System of Accounting and
 Liquidation of the Respective
 Budgetary Allocations of Each
 Member of the Senate and
 the House of Representatives
 As Classified and Consistent
 With Applicable Accounting and
 Auditing Rules (SCR-10)
 [August 24, 2011]
- 5. Ct. Res. No. 12 Concurrent Resolution
 Providing for the Adjournment
 of the Second Regular Session
 of the Fifteenth Congress of
 the Philippines Not Later Than
 Twelve O'clock, Midnight,
 Today, June 6, 2012 (SCR-12)
 [June 6, 2012]

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The Senate Committees: One For The Books

by the Committee Affairs Bureau

The 2nd Regular Session of the 15th Congress saw the Philippine Senate tackle another dimension of its multifaceted personality: other than being legislators and public servants, the Senators also bravely took on the challenge of becoming adjudicators of justice, as members of the Impeachment Court. Yet beyond the several months of testing and grueling sessions as a court, the Body managed to continue performing its function as a policy-formulating body. As stressed by Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile, "The recent impeachment trial has brought us to another level of political maturity. One that has not been felt for a long time. It is hoped that its long-term repercussions will redound to the common good." The trial has been another step in the Senate's maturation as an institution. What is noteworthy is that the Chamber was able to juggle two (2) functions well.

Committee Meetings and Public Hearings

The different Senate Committees (including the oversight/joint committees and subcommittees) conducted a total of 258 public hearings and technical working group (TWG) meetings for the 2nd Regular Session of the 15th Congress, covering the period July 25, 2011 to June 25, 2012, and discussed the merits of various bills and resolutions. The hearings and meetings threshed out and probed matters and issues of national importance as a result of various bills, privilege speeches and resolutions filed in aid of legislation.

The Permanent Committees

Thirty-one (31) of the 39 standing committees, 21 special/oversight and nine (9) subcommittees (two from Committee on Finance), conducted a total of 258 public hearings/meetings/consultations/bicameral conferences/ TWGs.

Among the most active were the following:

The Committee on Finance, including its subcommittees, which had 33 hearings/bicameral conferences/briefings;

The Committee on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations which conducted 19 public hearings/ TWGs/organizational meeting;

The Committee on Local Government which had 14 public hearings/TWGs/organizational meeting;

The Committee on Electoral Reforms which conducted 11 public hearings/TWGs/briefing;

The Committee on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement which had nine (9) hearings/TWGs/meeting;

The Committee on Justice and Human Rights which likewise conducted a total of nine (9) public hearings/TWGs;

The Committees on Foreign Relations and Cultural Communities which both had eight (8) meetings/ briefing/ consultation;

The Committees on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Environment and Natural Resources which had seven (7) committee hearings/meeting/TWGs/ocular inspections;

The Committees on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; National Defense and Security; and Trade

and Commerce which all conducted six (6) public hearings/meetings/bicam/TWGs/briefing;

The Committees on Public Order and Illegal Drugs and Games Amusements and Sports which both had five (5) public hearings/TWGs/briefings;

The Committees on Climate Change; Education, Arts and Culture; Peace, Unification and Reconciliation; and Science and Technology which all conducted four (4) public hearings/organizational meeting/ briefing/consultative meeting/fora, each;

The Committees on Agriculture and Food; Health and Demography; Public Information and Mass Media; Public Services; and Ways and Means which all had three (3) public hearings/organizational meeting/meeting, each.

The following committees had at least two (2) public hearings/ meetings/TWGs: Economic Affairs; Tourism; and Youth, Women and Family Relations.

The Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Public Works; Rules; and Amateur Sports and Competiveness conducted one (1) hearing/meeting each for the period.

It should be noted that nine (9) sub-committees conducted a total of 28 public hearings/TWGs. Finance Sub-Committee B had ten (10) public hearings and Sub-Committee on Finance C conducted five (5). The Sub-Committee on Children and Armed Conflict (of the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations) had three (3) public hearings;

To ensure the quality of legislation and that the finest of details are considered and threshed out, and to reconcile the views coming from different concerned sectors, the standing committees also conducted thirty (30) TWGs for the 2^{nd} Regular Session.

The Special/Oversight Committee

Twenty one (21) oversight /special committees conducted a total of $\underline{36}$ meetings/hearings/en-banc sessions/ briefings for the 2^{nd} Regular Session. The active ones are the following:

- The Joint Congressional Oversight Committee on Cooperatives and the Congressional Commission on Power which both had four (4) meetings/ consultative meeting/ocular meeting/overviews;
- The Congressional Commission on Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization; and Congressional Oversight Committee on Quality Affordable Medicine which had three (3) meetings each;
- The Congressional Oversight Committee on Agrarian Reform; Congressional Oversight Committee on Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management; Congressional Oversight Committee on Science, Technology and Engineering; Congressional Oversight Committee on the Philippine Tourism Act of 2009 and the Congressional Oversight Committee on Suffrage had two (2) meetings each;
- The following oversight committees had one (1) meeting each for the covered period: Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines; Official Development Assistance Law; Overseas Workers Affairs; Special Purpose Vehicle Act; Comprehensive Tax Reform Program; Bases Conversion; Dangerous Drugs; Labor; Government Procurement; Local Government Code of 1991; Intelligence and Confidential Funds, Program and Activities; and E-Commerce

Committee Reports Filed

A total of 260 Committee Reports were filed for the period. Among said reports are:

- Committee Report No. 80 on SBN 3009, "An Act To Further Strengthen The Anti-Money Laundering Law, Amending for The Purpose Sections 10 and 11 of Republic Act No. 9160, Otherwise Known as the 'Anti-Money Laundering Act of 2001', As Amended, And For Other Purposes", which was signed into law as Republic Act (RA) No. 10167 on June 18, 2012;
- Committee Report No. 125 on SBN 3127, "An Act Defining The Crime Of Financing Of Terrorism, Providing Penalties Therefor And For Other Purposes", which was signed into law as RA 10168 on June 18, 2012;
- Committee Report No. 56 on SBN 2965, The Data Privacy Act, which is awaiting for the signature of the President;
- Committee Report 53 on SBN 1352, "Am Act Creating The Department Of Information And Communications Technology, Defining Its Powers And Functions, Appropriating Funds Therefor, And For Other Purposes". The bill is already on Second Reading;
- Committee Report No. 54 on SB 2941, "An Act Regulating The Practice Of Geology In The Philippines, Repealing For The Purpose Republic Act Numbered Four Thousand Two Hundred Nine (R.A. NO. 4209), Otherwise Known As 'Geology Profession Act Of The Philippines And For Other Purposes", signed into law as RA No. 10166 by the President on June 11, 2012;
- Committee Report No. 55 on SB 2946, "An Act Conferring Upon Members Of The

Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panlungsod, And Sangguniang Panlalawigan, The Appropriate Civil Service Eligibility Under Certain Circumstance, And For Other Purposes, signed into law as RA 10156 on December 20, 2011:

- Committee Report No. 74 on Senate Resolution No. 518 or the "Resolution Directing The Senate Committee On Accountability Of Public Officers (Blue Ribbon) To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation, On The Alleged Anomalous And Irregular Acquisition By The PNP Of Light Operational Helicopters In 2009 From MAPTRA, With the End In View Of Determining Whether The Said Act constitutes A violation Of RA 3019, Determine The Parties Responsible Therefor And To Provide Remedial Measures To Further Strengthen The Said Law And The Procurement Process Of The Philippine National Police, which was adopted by the Senate on January 17, 2012. Among others, the Blue Ribbon Committee called for immediate action against every person involved in this anomalous transaction.
- Committee Report No. 79 on HBN 5023 on the General Appropriations Act for 2012, signed into law as RA 10155;

In addition to these, the Senate adopted eight (8) resolutions on various treaties, conventions and agreements, to wit:

- Resolution Number 57 on the Rome Statute on the International Criminal Court;
- Resolution Number 77, Protocol Additional to the Geneva Convention of 12 August 1949,

- and Relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts;
- Resolution No. 78, Optional Protocol to the Convention Against Torture (OPCAT);
- Resolution Number 79, Agreement Between the Government of the Philippines and the International Center for Living Aquatic Resources Management (ICLARM) to Establish the Office of the World Fish Center in the Philippines;
- Resolution No. 81, PH-UK/Northern Ireland Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters;
- Resolution No. 82, PH-People's Republic of China Consular Agreement;
- Resolution No. 83, PH-People's Republic of China Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters; and
- Resolution No. 87, Convention on Social Security Between the Republic of the Philippines and the Kingdom of Spain

Bicameral Conference Committee Meetings

A total of seven (7) bicameral conference committee meetings were conducted, among which was the one conducted by the Committee on Finance which led to the signing of Republic Act 10155 or "The General Appropriations Act of 2012"; two (2) were conducted by the Committee on Science and Technology which led to the Conference Committees approval of the Data Privacy Act and the Cybercrime Act; one (1) was conducted by the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies which led to the signing of RA 10167 or the Act Further Strengthening

the Anti-Money Laundering Law; two (2) were conducted by the Committee on Local Government which led to the signing of Republic Act No. 10160 and 10161, the City of Bacoor Act and City of Imus Act, respectively; the Committee on National Defense also had a bicam with its House counterpart on SB 2869 prescribing fixed terms for the Chief of Staff and the Major Service Commanders. This was vetoed, however, by the President.

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