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COMMITTEE MEETING				
COMMITTEE	MEASURES		SUBJECT MATTER	ACTION TAKEN/DISCUSSION
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Basic Education and Culture	Substitute Bill to HBs 1890 & 2867	Reps. Defensor and Escudero	Establishing a career guidance and counseling program for all secondary schools and appropriating funds therefor	The Committee, chaired by Rep. Evelina Escudero (1 <sup>st</sup> District, Sorsogon), approved the Substitute Bill to HBs 1890 and 2867, and the corresponding Committee Report.

AGENCY BRIEFINGS		
COMMITTEE	SUBJECT MATTER	DISCUSSIONS
Basic Education and Culture	<p>Briefing by the following agencies involved in preserving and promoting the country's history and culture on their respective mandates and plans and programs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)</li> <li>Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP)</li> <li>National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP)</li> </ul>	<p>The Committee, chaired by Rep. Evelina Escudero (1<sup>st</sup> District, Sorsogon), listened to the presentations of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA), Cultural Center of the Philippines (CCP), National Archives of the Philippines (NAP), National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), National Library of the Philippines (NLP), National Museum (NM), and the Komisyon sa Wikang Filipino (KWF).</p> <p>NCCA Chair Felipe de Leon Jr. said the NCCA is the overall policy making body for the promotion, preservation and conservation of Philippine culture, arts, and history. The NCCA is also mandated to coordinate the cultural policies and programs of the government and to administer the National Endowment Fund for Culture and the Arts (NEFCA), a fund set aside exclusively for the implementation of culture and arts programs and projects.</p> <p>De Leon said the NCCA works closely with the six cultural agencies - the CCP, NHCP, NM, NLP, NAP and KWF - to effectively and efficiently implement the government's cultural programs. These six agencies were placed under the NCCA's supervision as attached agencies by virtue of Executive Order No. 80, series of 1999.</p> <p>Rep. Gabriel Bordado (3<sup>rd</sup> District, Camarines Sur) stressed the need to include History subject in the curriculum for all levels.</p> <p>CCP Manager for Arts Education Eva Marie Salvador underscored the important contribution of CCP in showcasing Philippine culture, arts, and identity through the performances and productions in the CCP.</p> <p>At present, Salvador said, nine resident companies regularly stage productions, workshops and outreach performances in CCP, namely: the Ballet Philippines, Philippine Ballet Theater, Tanghalang Pilipino, Ramon Obusan Folkloric Group, the Bayanihan Philippine Folk Dance Company, Philippine Philharmonic Orchestra, UST Symphony Orchestra, Philippine Madrigal Singers, and the National Music Competition for Young Artists Foundation (NAMCYA).</p> <p>NHCP Executive Director Ludovico Badoy said the NHCP is the primary government agency authorized to determine all factual matters relative</p>









<p>Continuation... Visayas Development (Special Committee)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Philippine National Police (PNP-NIR)</li>   <li>• Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH-NIR)</li>   <li>• Department of Agriculture (DA-NIR)</li>   <li>• Department of Education (DepEd-NIR)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitored 519 locally funded projects with a total allocation of about P1.5 billion.</li> </ul> <p>PNP-NIR Acting Regional Director Renato Gumban said that the PNP's regional office in NIR was constituted in November 2015. He reported that from November 2015 to October 2016, the total crime volume in the region decreased by 6.65% compared to the same period the previous year. In the same vein, the crime clearance efficiency and crime solution efficiency increased by 4.45% and 6.84%, respectively, during the same period.</p> <p>Gumban likewise gave an itemized presentation of the PNP-NIR proposed monthly budget allocation of P10.3 million.</p> <p>DPWH-NIR Regional Director (OIC) Lea Delfinado reported the regional office's administrative and financial accomplishments as of October 31, 2016.</p> <p>With regard to the implementation of its infrastructure projects, Delfinado said that 63% of the projects under the CY 2016 Infrastructure Program have been accomplished.</p> <p>DA-NIR Regional Director (OIC) Joyce Wendam said that the thrust of the DA-NIR is to empower the farming and fishing communities and also the private sector in the region to produce sufficient and affordable food for every Negrense/Negrosanon.</p> <p>Wendam reported that the DA-NIR has so far accomplished the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized the Regional Research, Development and Extension Network (RRDEN) which serves as basis for the 2017-2022 development plans;</li> <li>• Released P6.66 million as funding for four agricultural-related research projects;</li> <li>• Assisted in the collection of soil samples for soil fertility and profile sampling in 32 different municipalities and cities of Negros Occidental;</li> <li>• Conducted information dissemination and policy advocacy campaign in support of the 10-point agri-agenda of the present administration; and</li> <li>• Created a cohesive and strong partnership/collaboration between and among government and private sectors.</li> </ul> <p>DepEd-NIR OIC Gilbert Sadsad informed the Committee that the regional office, which started operating only in January of this year, services 16 school division offices with public school enrolment of not less than 1.2 million composed of students from kindergarten to senior high school.</p> <p>He also highlighted some of the accomplishments of the DepEd-NIR, which include the processing of recognition and permits for private schools and the application for transfer to other divisions or regions of teachers and other school officials.</p>
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