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## TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP MEETING

COMMITTEE	MEASURES		SUBJECT MATTER	ACTION TAKEN/ DISCUSSION
	NO.	PRINCIPAL AUTHOR		
Energy (Technical Working Group)	HBs 182 & 1220	Reps. Olivarez and Umali	Institutionalizing energy efficiency and conservation (EEC), enhancing the efficient use of energy, granting incentives to EEC projects	<p>The technical working group (TWG), chaired by Rep. Reynaldo Umali (2<sup>nd</sup> District, Oriental Mindoro), will deliberate further on the eight bills in its next meeting.</p> <p>HB 182, authored by Rep. Eric Olivarez (1<sup>st</sup> District, Parañaque City), was adopted as the working draft. A bill similar to HB 182 has been approved at the Committee level during the 16<sup>th</sup> Congress.</p> <p>Among the agreements reached during the meeting were the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish an Inter-Agency Energy Conservation Committee to establish cost-effective energy conservation measures, as proposed in HB 1527, authored by Rep. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo (2<sup>nd</sup> District, Pampanga);</li> <li>• Provide incentives to users of energy efficient technologies, such as duty-free importation, or other fiscal incentives; and</li> <li>• Develop schemes to encourage foreign investments in energy conservation measures.</li> </ul> <p>At the outset, Artemio Habitan, chief of the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Division of the Department of Energy (EEC-DOE), said that the proposed inter-agency committee will duplicate the functions of the existing Council of Energy Advisers.</p> <p>Rep. Macapagal-Arroyo clarified that the Council is an advisory body composed of the public and private sectors, which only convenes as the need arises; while the proposed Inter-Agency Energy Conservation Committee, to be composed of concerned government agencies, will implement energy conservation measures in state-owned and leased buildings and facilities.</p> <p>Theresa Lopez, treasurer/trustee of the Philippine Energy Efficiency Alliance, Inc. (PE2), said that her organization can help the government raise awareness and provide technical advice on energy conservation measures. The PE2 was requested to formulate a public-private partnership (PPP) template for the implementation of projects under the proposed law.</p>
	HB 812	Rep. Batocabe	Requiring all government and non-government offices and establishments to adopt policies for energy conservation and efficient energy utilization measures	
	HBs 1527 & 2388	Reps. Macapagal-Arroyo and Abad	Institutionalizing energy efficiency and conservation, promotion of renewable energy for energy security, providing guidelines and granting incentives to EEC projects	
	HB 970 & 2540	Reps. Romualdez and Tambunting	Requiring the use of energy-efficient lighting products, providing penalties for violations thereof	
	HB 3040	Rep. Roque (H.)	Prohibiting the manufacture, importation, sale, and use of incandescent light bulbs, prescribing a phase-out period and providing penalties for violations thereof	