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Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 186

Submitted by the COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES on MAR 21 2017

RE: House Bill No. 5350

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2572, 2697, 3221, and 5106

Sponsors: Reps. Nancy A. Catamco, Maximo B. Dalog, and Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr.

MR. SPEAKER:

The Committee on Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples to which were referred House Bill No. 2572, introduced by Rep. Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr., entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496 AND GRANTING A NEW FIVE (5)-YEAR PERIOD TO THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (NCIP) TO TAKE APPROPRIATE LEGAL ACTION FOR THE CANCELLATION OF OFFICIALLY DOCUMENTED TITLES WHICH WERE ILLEGALLY ACQUIRED, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 12 AND 64 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT OF 1997” ”;

House Bill No. 2697, introduced by Rep. Maximo B. Dalog, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT OF 1997” ”;

House Bill No. 3221, introduced by Rep. Ronald M. Cosalan, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496 AND GRANTING A NEW FIVE (5)-YEAR PERIOD TO THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (NCIP) TO TAKE APPROPRIATE LEGAL ACTION FOR THE CANCELLATION OF OFFICIALLY DOCUMENTED TITLES WHICH WERE ILLEGALLY ACQUIRED, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 12 AND 64 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT OF 1997” ”

and House Bill No. 5106, introduced by Reps. John Marvin “Yul Servo” Nieto and Edward Vera Perez Maceda, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT OF 1997” ”;

has considered the measures and recommends the approval of House Bill No. 5350, entitled:

“AN ACT EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE CERTIFICATES OF TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER COMMONWEALTH ACT 41, AS AMENDED, OR THE LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT” ”,

in substitution of House Bill Numbered 2572, 2697, 3221, and 5106, with Representatives Nancy Catamco, Maximo Rodriguez, Jr., Maximo Dalog, Ronald Cosalan, John Marvin “Yul Servo” Nieto, Edward Vera Perez Maceda, Jose Panganiban, Jr., Emmilene de Jesus, Wilter Wee Palma II, France Castro, Arlene Arcillas, Gabriel Bordado, Jr., Sitti Djalía Turabin-Hataman, Teddy Brawner Baguilat, and Arnolfo Teves as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:



NANCY A. CATAMCO

Committee Chairperson

Indigenous Cultural Communities
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AN ACT

EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE CERTIFICATES OF TITLE TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER COMMONWEALTH ACT 41, AS AMENDED, OR THE LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT”

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. The option to secure a Certificate of Title under Commonwealth Act 141, as amended, or the Land Registration Act 496 as mandated in Section 12 of Republic Act No. 8371 is hereby extended to another twenty (20) years, effective upon the expiration of the first period on October 29, 2017.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

FACT SHEET
HOUSE BILL NO. 5350
(as approved by the Committee)

“AN ACT
EXTENDING THE PERIOD FOR INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES/
INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO EXERCISE THE OPTION TO SECURE CERTIFICATES OF TITLE
TO THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS UNDER COMMONWEALTH ACT 41, AS AMENDED,
OR THE LAND REGISTRATION ACT 496, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8371, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
“THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES RIGHTS ACT” ”

*Introduced by: Reps. Maximo Rodriguez, Jr., Maximo Dalog, Ronald Cosalan,
John Marvin “Yul Servo” Nieto, and Edward Vera Perez Maceda*

*Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES
AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES***

*Committee Chairperson: **REP. NANCY A. CATAMCO***

OBJECTIVE:

- To give indigenous cultural communities/indigenous peoples the opportunity to enjoy the privilege of acquiring land titles under Land Registration Act 496 or Commonwealth Act 141, as amended.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Extends for another twenty (20) years the period for indigenous cultural communities/indigenous peoples to exercise the option to secure Certificates of Title to their ancestral lands under Land Registration Act 496 or Commonwealth Act 141 as amended, reckoned from 29 October 2017, the expiration of the period provided under Sec. 12 of the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (Republic Act No. 8371).

RELATED LAWS:

- R.A. No. 8371, or the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act (IPRA)
- Land Registration Act 496 or Commonwealth Act 141 as amended
- United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)
- Convention 169, Convention concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples in Independent Countries