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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Prospero A. Pichay Jr. called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND PRAYER

Pursuant to Section 73, Rule XI of the amended Provisional Rules of the House, the Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter observed a minute of silent prayer.

DEFERMENT OF ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Johnny Ty Pimentel, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll and the approval of the Journal of the previous session

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Pimentel, the Chair suspended the session at 3:03 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The Chair resumed the session at 3:06 p.m.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Pimentel, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

Upon recognition of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, including the Communications and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate Committees or consigned to the Archives as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 8589, entitled:

"AN ACT REPEALING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10912 ALSO KNOWN AS 'CONTINU- ING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2016' AND OTHER RELATED ISSUANCES, GUIDELINES, AND MEMORANDUMS"

By Representative Herrera-Dy

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 8592, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTING THE FARMERS AND FISHERFOLK ENTERPRISE DE-VELOPMENT PROGRAM OF THE DE-PARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Panganiban

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 8593, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9257
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE EXPANDED SENIOR CITIZENS ACT OF 2003, RELATIVE TO THE PROVISIONS ON THE CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY, AND PRIVILEGES FOR THE SENIOR CITIZENS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Cagas

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SEN-IOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 8594, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TIGTABON, ZAMBOANGA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS TIGTABON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Dalipe

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 8595, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LANDANG GUA, ZAMBOANGA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS SACOL ISLAND NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Dalipe

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 8596, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA OF WORKERS IN INFORMAL ECONOMY, INSTITUTIONALIZING MECHANISMS FOR IMPLEMENTA-TION THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 8597, entitled:

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE A NATIONAL FO-LIC EDUCATION PROGRAM TO PRE-VENT BIRTH DEFECTS"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8598, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF A BOOK AND THE BENEFITS ATTENDANT THERETO, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8047, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE BOOK PUBLISHING INDUSTRY THROUGH THE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A NATIONAL BOOK POLICY AND A NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT PLAN"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 8599, entitled:

"AN ACT ENHANCING THE PHILIPPINE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESS-MENT SYSTEM, STRENGTHEN PUB-LIC PARTICIPATION THEREIN, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RE-SOURCES

House Bill No. 8600, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE MAGNA CARTA OF BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOL-ARS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 8601, entitled:

"AN ACT INCREASING THE COMPENSATION OF THOSE UNJUSTLY DETAINED AND TRANSFERRING THE BOARD OF CLAIMS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7309"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 8602, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING A BAN ON DUMP-ING OF SEWAGE SLUDGE AND IN-DUSTRIAL WASTE INTO THE SEA"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 8603, entitled:

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN INFANT MORTALITY PROGRAM TO REDUCE THE RATE OF INFANT MORTALITY IN THE COUNTRY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8604, entitled:

"AN ACT DEFINING THE CRIME OF SEX-UAL INFIDELITY AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 333 (ADULTERY), ARTICLE 334 (CONCU-BINAGE) AND ARTICLES 344 AND 345 OF TITLE ELEVEN, BOOK II OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED PENAL CODE"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 8605, entitled:

"AN ACT CONSIDERING RICE OR CORN HOARDING AND PROFITEERING DURING OR ON THE OCCASION OF ANY CALAMITY OR EMERGENCY DECLARED AS SUCH BY THE PRESIDENT AS EQUIVALENT TO ECONOMIC SABOTAGE, PARTLY AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7581, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PRICE ACT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 8606, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE FOR-ESTLAND BOUNDARY OF THE PROV-INCE OF LA UNION"

By Representative Ortega (V.N.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 8607, entitled:

"AN ACT MANDATING FOOD SERVICES TO PROVIDE A HEALTH AND NUTRI-TION MENU FOR THEIR FOOD ITEMS"

By Representative Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8608, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE RISE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (PRDA), DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PUR-POSES"

By Representative Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COM-MITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 8609, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING R.A. 7170, OR OTH-ERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ORGAN DO-NATION ACT OF 1991, AND IMPLE-MENTING A SYSTEM OF DEEMED CONSENT'"

By Representative Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 8610, entitled:

"AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF, AND IMPOSING STIFFER PENALTIES FOR, THE CRIME OF REVELATION OF SECRETS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 291 AND 292 OF ACT NO. 3815, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'REVISED PENAL CODE'"

By Representative Marcoleta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 8611, entitled:

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BAN OF AERIAL SPRAYING OF PESTICIDES AND OTHER HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Pico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 2307, entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO REQUIRE THE APPEARANCE AND PARTICIPATION OF DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT SECRETARY BENJA-MIN DIOKNO IN THE QUESTION HOUR REGARDING THE 2019 ELEC-TION BUDGET"

By Representative Suarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Joint Resolution No. 33, entitled:

"JOINT RESOLUTION EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE TO MONITOR AND OVERSEE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE VISITING FORCES AGREEMENT WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO INCLUDE OTHER DEFENSE AND STATUS OF FORCES AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES CONCURRED WITH BY THE SENATE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 02"

- By Representatives Belmonte (F.), Espino, Biazon, Acharon, Abellanosa and Suarez
- TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AF-FAIRS

COMMUNICATIONS

Report of the Highway Patrol Group, Philippine National Police (PNP) for CY 2018 entitled "The 1st 100 Days".

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

Letters dated October 30 and November 8, 2018 of Salvador C. Medialdea, Executive Secretary,

Office of the President, Malacañang, transmitting two (2) original copies each of the following Republic Acts which were signed by President Rodrigo Roa Duterte:

1. R.A. No. 11109, entitled:

"AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO MANILA BROADCASTING COMPANY UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7816, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE MANILA BROADCASTING COMPANY A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'";

2. R.A. No. 11110, entitled:

"AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO BRIGHT STAR BROADCASTING NETWORK CORPORATION UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7295, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE BRIGHT STAR BROADCASTING NETWORK CORPORATION A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN FOR COMMERCIAL PURPOSES RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES'";

3. R.A. No. 11111, entitled:

"AN ACT EXTENDING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO VANGUARD RADIO NETWORK COMPANY, INC. UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7529, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING VANGUARD RADIO NETWORK COMPANY, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE ISLAND OF LUZON AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES', AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8069";

4. R.A. No. 11112, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY POBLACION 2 IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLANUEVA, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL";

- 5. R.A. No. 11113, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING MARCH 24 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF LIGAO, PROVINCE OF ALBAY, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUND-ING ANNIVERSARY";
- 6. R.A. No. 11114, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 8 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPAL-ITY OF AGOO, PROVINCE OF LA UNION, TO BE KNOWN AS 'AGOO DAY'":
- 7. R.A. No. 11115, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 16 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLANUEVA, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ARAW NG VILLANUEVA'";
- 8. R.A. No. 11116, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 17 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPAL-ITY OF LOS BAÑOS, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND THE ANNUAL BAÑAMOS FESTIVAL";
- 9. R.A. No. 11117, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING JULY 4 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ARAW NG LANAO'";
- 10. R.A. No. 11118, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING MAY 22 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF

GUIMARAS IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS ANNIVERSARY AS A PROV-INCE";

- 11. R.A. No. 11119, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING APRIL 3 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ALBAY, INCLUDING THE CITIES THEREIN, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ALBAY DAY'":
- 12. R.A. No. 11120, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF IFUGAO, IN COMMEMORATION OF THE SURRENDER OF GENERAL TOMOYUKI YAMASHITA, COM-MANDER OF THE JAPANESE IMPE-RIAL ARMY IN THE PHILIPPINES, IN KIANGAN, IFUGAO";
- 13. R.A. No. 11121, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 2 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL, IN COM-MEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ARAW NG MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL'";
- 14. R.A. No. 11122, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 21 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CEBU AND THE ENTIRE PROVINCE OF CEBU, IN-CLUDING ITS HIGHLY URBANIZED AND COMPONENT CITIES, TO BE KNOWN AS 'CEBU PRESS FREEDOM DAY'";
- 15. R.A. No. 11123, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 15 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO IN COM-MEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY";

- 16. R.A. No. 11124, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING SEPTEMBER 7 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CA-VITE, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUND-ING ANNIVERSARY";
- 17. R.A. No. 11125, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 17 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL SUR IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY";
- 18. R.A. No. 11126, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 22 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF SULTAN KUDARAT IN COMMEMO-RATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNI-VERSARY";
- 19. R.A. No. 11127, entitled:
- "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REGULA-TION AND SUPERVISION OF PAY-MENT SYSTEMS";
- 20. R.A. No. 11128, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING JULY 4 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF CADIZ, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS CHARTER DAY ANNIVERSARY";
- 21. R.A. No. 11129, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING JUNE 27 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF EL SALVADOR, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS CHARTER DAY ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ARAW NG EL SALVADOR'";
- 22. R.A. No. 11130, entitled:
- "AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 1 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NONWORK-ING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPAL-ITY OF PADRE GARCIA, PROVINCE

- OF BATANGAS, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND THE ANNUAL 'KABAKAHAN FESTIVAL'"; and
- 23. R.A. No. 11131, entitled:
- "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF CRIMINOLOGY PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6506, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT CREATING THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS IN THE PHILIPPINES'".

TO THE ARCHIVES

- Report of Honorable Dante Roberto P. Maling, Acting Secretary General, House of Representatives, on enrolled bills, submitted to the Office of the President, for His Excellency's consideration and signature, pursuant to the provision of Rule VI, Section 18, Par. (h) of the Rules of the House of Representatives:
 - 1. House Bill No. 1924, entitled:
 - "AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE – MEDEL-LIN EXTENSION OFFICE INTO A REG-ULAR DISTRICT OFFICE AND APPRO-PRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
 - 2. House Bill No. 4065, entitled:
 - "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REGULAR DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE CITY OF PANABO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL NORTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
 - 3. House Bill No. 5568, entitled:
 - "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LAND TRANS-PORTATION OFFICE (LTO) SATELLITE OFFICE IN TICAO ISLAND, PROVINCE OF MASBATE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
 - 4. House Bill No. 5627, entitled:
 - "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LAND TRANS-PORTATION OFFICE (LTO) DISTRICT OFFICE IN THE CITY OF VALENCIA, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON AND AP-PROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";

- 5. House Bill No. 5953, entitled:
- "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A LAND TRANS-PORTATION OFFICE (LTO) DISTRICT OFFICE IN THE CITY OF SIPALAY, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
- 6. House Bill No. 5955, entitled:
- "AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NARRA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
- 7. House Bill No. 5992, entitled:
- "AN ACT CONVERTING THE SATELLITE OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE CITY OF BAYUGAN, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL SUR, INTO A REGULAR DISTRICT OFFICE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR":
- 8. House Bill No. 6202, entitled:
- "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SOUTH CO-TABATO STATE COLLEGE IN THE MU-NICIPALITY OF SURALLAH, PROV-INCE OF SOUTH COTABATO, INTE-GRATING THEREWITH THE SURAL-LAH NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL LOCATED IN THE MUNICI-PALITY OF SURALLAH, PROVINCE OF SOUTH COTABATO, AND APPRO-PRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";
- 9. House Bill No. 7179, entitled:
- "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MAYLEEN TING";
- 10. House Bill No. 7180, entitled:
- "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO FATHER JULIAN C. MAZANA";
- 11. House Bill No. 7388, entitled:
- "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO BRUCE DONALD MCTAVISH";

- 12. House Bill No. 5556, entitled:
- "AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ISLA COM-**MUNICATIONS** COMPANY, INC.. PRESENTLY KNOWN AS INNOVE COMMUNICATIONS, INC., AMEND-ING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7372, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING THE ISLA COMMUNICA-TIONS CO. A FRANCHISE TO IN-STALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES WITHIN THE TERRITORY OF THE RE-PUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND IN-TERNATIONAL POINTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' "; and
- Consolidated Senate Bill No. 1537 and House Bill No. 5777, entitled:
- "AN ACT SCALING UP THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION PROGRAMS THROUGH A STRENGTHENED INTEGRATED STRATEGY FOR MATERNAL, NEONATAL, CHILD HEALTH AND NUTRITION IN THE FIRST ONE THOUSAND (1,000) DAYS OF LIFE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES".

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Report by the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 934), re H.B. No. 8618, entitled:
 - "AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 141, 142 AND 143 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVE-NUE CODE OF 1997"
 - recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 4839, 8286 and 8334

Sponsor: Representative Suansing (E.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

- Report by the Committee on Youth and Sports Development (Committee Report No. 936), re H.B. No. 8626, entitled:
 - "AN ACT PRESERVING THE INDIGENOUS GAMES OF THE PHILIPPINES"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 6420

Sponsors: Representatives Estrella and Belaro

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Muslim Affairs (Committee Report No. 937), re H.B. No. 8627, entitled:

"AN ACT REQUIRING HOSPITALS, MEDI-CAL CLINICS, AND OTHER FACILI-TIES TO RELEASE A CADAVER IN **THEIR POSSESSION WITHIN** TWENTY-FOUR (24) HOURS FROM TIME OF DEATH TO THE FAMILY OR RELATIVES IN RECOGNITION OF RE-LIGIOUS PRACTICES AND TRADI-TIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PUR-POSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9439 ENTI-TLED 'AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DE-TENTION OF PATIENTS IN HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL CLINIC ON GROUNDS OF NONPAYMENT OF HOSPITAL BILLS OR MEDICAL EXPENSES'"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2953

Sponsor: Representative Sema

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 923 ON RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

On motion of Rep. Alexandria P. Gonzales, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the consideration on Second Reading of Resolution of Both Houses (R.B.H.) No. 15 contained in Committee Report No. 923 as reported out by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the measure, to wit:

"RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES PRO-POSING THE REVISION OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

As copies of the measure had already been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Gonzales, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House.

Representative Gonzales said that the parliamentary status of the Resolution was that it was in the period of sponsorship and debate; and on her motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Vicente "Ching" S.E. Veloso, Chairman of the sponsoring Committee, to deliver his sponsorship remarks.

SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE VELOSO

Representative Veloso first traced the history of R.B.H. No. 15, starting from its filing on September 19, 2018, the Committee's approval and transmittal to the Committee on Rules of Committee Report No. 881 on the measure on September 24 up to its recommitment on October 10, 2018 and replacement by Committee Report No. 923 on November 12, 2018.

He then pointed out that the new Committee Report introduced perfecting amendments in accordance with the instruction of the Body in plenary. He said that the measure will undergo the procedure contemplated for the enactment of bills under Section 142, Rule XX of the amended Provisional Rules of the House of the 17th Congress; and then read the aforecited provision. He added that the Committee wanted to give the Members the opportunity to ask questions on the working draft of R.B.H. No. 15 and that the Sponsors were ready to answer all relevant questions.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. asked that they be enlightened on whether the Body would be discussing the mode of changing the Constitution or whether there is a need to change it because although he has a copy of the Resolution, it does not answer his question.

With the permission of the Chair, Representative Veloso replied that with regard to the mode, the Body would function as a constituent assembly pursuant to Section 1, Article XVII of the Constitution.

On whether the aim of the House would be to change the Constitution, Representative Veloso replied that the Sponsors would like to come up with proposed revisions as distinguished from plain amendments considering that there are many proposed changes that need to be tackled in the Constitution

Although he agreed that many portions of the Constitution should be revised, Representative Atienza said the Body should make sure that they have

a quorum that day to even attempt to open up the subject. He stated that they should first call the roll to establish whether a quorum is present before they continue to tackle a sensitive matter like Charter change.

MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

Representative Atienza then moved to call the Roll before they start the discussion on the revision of the Constitution.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 3:22 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The Chair resumed the session at 3:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On motion of Rep. Rodante D. Marcoleta, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Acharon Acop Acosta-Alba Advincula Aggabao Almario Almonte Alonte Amatong Andaya

Angara-Castillo Aquino-Magsaysay

Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Aumentado
Bataoil
Belaro
Benitez
Billones
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)

Brosas

Cagas

Calderon

Caminero Canama Casilao Castelo Castro (F.L.) Castro (F.H.) Celeste Cerilles Chavez Chipeco Cortuna Cua Cuaresma Cueva Dalipe Datol de Venecia

Deloso-Montalla

Durano Elago Ermita-Buhain

Del Mar

Escudero Espina Fernando Ferrer (J.) Floirendo Fortun Fortuno Garbin Garcia (J.E.) Garin (S.) Gasataya Gatchalian Geron Go (M.) Gonzaga Gonzales (A.P.)

Gonzales (A.D.) Gonzalez Hernandez (P.) Herrera-Dy Hofer **Jalosjos** Kho Labadlabad Lacson Lagman Lanete Laogan Limkaichong Lobregat Lopez (B.) Lopez (C.) Lopez (M.L.)

Macapagal-Arroyo Maceda Malapitan Marcoleta
Marquez
Martinez
Matugas
Mellana
Mendoza
Mirasol
Montoro
Noel
Nolasco
Nuñez-Malanyaon
Oaminal

Nunez-Malanyaoi Oaminal Ong (E.) Ortega (P.) Ortega (V.N.) Pacquiao Paduano Palma Pancho Panganiban Panotes

Papandayan Pichay Pico Pimentel Pineda Primicias-A

Primicias-Agabas Quimbo

Ramirez-Sato Ramos Roa-Puno Robes Rocamora Rodriguez (I.) Rodriguez (M.)

Romero Romualdez Romualdo Sagarbarria Salceda Salimbangon

Salo Salon Sambar Sandoval Sarmiento (C.) Sarmiento (E.M.)

Savellano Sema Siao Silverio Suansing (E.) Suansing (H.) Suarez

Suarez Tan (A.) Tejada Teves Tinio Tolentino
Treñas
Tugna
Ty
Unabia
Ungab
Unico
Uy (J.)
Uy (R.)
Uybarreta
Vargas
Velarde
Velasco
Velasco-Catera

Veloso Vergara Villanueva Villarica Violago Yap (A.) Zamora (M.C.) Zamora (R.)

Zarate Zubiri

With 170 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

REMINDER FROM THE CHAIR

At this point, the Chair reminded the Members that the session starts at three o'clock in the afternoon to enable them to conduct more business on the floor. He then requested them to come on time.

RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

On motion of Rep. Lawrence H. Fortun, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of R.B.H. No. 15 contained in Committee Report No. 923 as reported out by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, entitled:

"RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES PRO-POSING THE REVISION OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

Representative Fortun stated that the parliamentary status was that the Resolution was in the period of sponsorship and debate, and moved for the recognition of the following other Sponsors of the Resolution before giving the floor to Rep. Florida "Rida" P. Robes for her manifestation:

Reps. Wilter "Sharky" Wee Palma II, Corazon T. Nunez-Malanyaon, Dakila Carlo E. Cua, Alfredo "Albee" B. Benitez, Tricia Nicole Q. Velasco-Catera, and Micaela S. Violago.

MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ROBES

Recognized by the Chair on a previous motion of Representative Fortun, Representative Robes manifested her support to R.B.H. No. 15. As a resident of San Jose del Monte City, Bulacan, she noted the huge number of poor people therein, and expressed hope that amendments to the Constitution would address their needs. She stressed the need to develop the capabilities of local governments to adjust to changing economic landscape, with political parties performing their roles as representatives of the government, and these could be achieved through the return of the two-political party system.

On motion of Representative Fortun, the Chair recognized Representative Atienza for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

Representative Atienza inquired whether R.B.H. No. 15 proposes a shift from a unitary to a federal system of government which he noted is an issue that has not been properly ventilated in the House of Representatives. This, as he asked whether said shift is acceptable to the people. He also sought clarification on whether the regional governments would be given more powers under the federal system, and why, as emphasized by Representative Veloso, Region VIII where the latter belongs prefers the federal system.

The Sponsor opined that while there has been a lack of Senators coming from the said region in the last decades, restoring the old two-party system would not guarantee an equitable representation in the Senate.

Thereupon, Representatives Atienza and Veloso discussed the issue of regional development in relation to the principle of local autonomy as provided for in the 1987 Constitution and in the proposed Federal Constitution. The former emphasized that the issue of regional development is already provided for and protected in the 1987 Constitution and the local government units (LGUs) just have to assert themselves and develop their potentials using the power of autonomy given to them by the Charter.

Representative Veloso however countered that there are certain flaws in the Local Government Code that only a federal system of government could address. Citing a 2018 World Bank Report, he stated that despite the promotion of local autonomy as provided for in the Constitution, regional inequalities and development gaps continue to increase as some regions are experiencing slower growth as compared to the other regions especially the National Capital Region (NCR).

Representative Atienza stated that what is needed is for the LGUs to exercise the intention of the Constitution and fight for their just share in the internal revenue allotment (IRA).

At this point, the Chair recognized Representative Palma to whom Representative Veloso yielded the sponsorship of the measure.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

Whereupon, the Chair suggested that the Sponsor cite the pertinent provision in the proposed Constitution that will answer the query of Representative Atienza. He also sought assurance from the Sponsor that the new Federal Constitution will result in the development of LGUs as he noted that Section 5 thereof reproduces the same provision of the 1987 Constitution.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

(Continuation)

Agreeing that LGUs must exercise local autonomy, Representative Palma pointed out however that there is disparity in the system itself particularly on the situs of taxation in which corporations pay their taxes to the local governments where their head offices are located and not where they transact business with. He argued that in the proposed Federal Constitution, each federal state is given greater fiscal autonomy to generate its own revenues. He also emphasized that cognizant of the context in which the 1987 Constitution was drafted, the Sponsors deemed it proper to lift what they considered as the good side of the 1987 Constitution and incorporate the same in the new Charter to produce a better Constitution.

Representative Atienza expressed disagreement on the revision of the whole 1987 Constitution, stating that the issue concerns a defect in the present Internal Revenue Code which can be addressed by Congress. He then inquired from Representative Palma whether the principle of local autonomy is the main promise of the instant measure and

whether Charter change would result in bigger problems as compared to only amending the laws. He then asked for specific provisions in the new Charter that will empower LGUs to collect taxes and receive their rightful share from the national revenue collection.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

The Chair pointed out that most of the constitutional amendments are found in Article XII of the proposed Federal Constitution while the rest of them in the new Charter are almost the same provisions as the 1987 Constitution. He however enjoined the Sponsor to enlighten the Body on the taxation scheme under the proposed Charter considering that it still mandates Congress to be the one to provide for the manner of taxation in the LGUs, which was affirmed by Representative Atienza.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

(Continuation)

Representative Atienza opined that the proposed measure was vague in terms of specific provisions defining equal sharing of taxes at the national and local levels in a federalized government, and provided only general principles making it similar with the existing Constitution. All past Presidents, he added, have misinterpreted the 1987 Constitution and only the present House Speaker would know that local autonomy should always be respected and upheld.

He further stressed that there was no need to dismantle and subdivide the nation since development would still be realized if LGUs were encouraged and given equal opportunities to handle their own finances. He pointed out that federalism only surfaced when the wealthy regions of different countries decided to bond together to strengthen their economic power, adding that a poor country with poor regions like the Philippines would never succeed.

As he reserved his right for another round of interpellation and in order to give way to his colleagues, Representative Atienza urged the Body to contemplate on the importance of the measure at hand.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this juncture, Representative Fortun acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Lianda B. Bolilia, Dale "Along" R. Malapitan, Virgilio S. Lacson, and Romero "Miro" S. Quimbo.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Recognized by the Chair on Representative Fortun's motion, Rep. Antonio L. Tinio initially related how the shift to federalism became a priority agenda of the Duterte Administration, as well as the tedious process that R.B.H. No. 15 had to go through in the Committee level.

He also asked, and the Sponsor explained, why the draft measure contained lesser provisions about federalism; how it can neither be an option nor an afterthought; and why it cannot be likened to the legislative process underwent by the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL).

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

At this juncture, the Chair remarked that Section 12, Article XII of the proposed Charter is a dangerous provision as it authorizes Congress to create federal states. He suggested the early incorporation in the provision on federated states how regions would be subdivided politically.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

(Continuation)

Continuing with his interpellation, Representative Tinio clarified that he was against the Chair's suggestion to incorporate more substantial provisions in the draft Charter as the former was against the proposal for federalism. He also noted that R.B.H. No. 15 was no longer aimed at just changing the form of government to federalism.

Representative Tinio thereupon opined that the real objective of the proposed Federal Constitution was to remove the anti-dynasty provisions, establish a two-party system, and extend the term limits of elected officials; to remove the nationalist economic provisions principally on the restrictions on foreign ownership; and to amend the bill of rights.

Representative Palma stressed, however, that the proposed Federal Constitution is not saying anything about options; and that it actually provides for a ban on term extensions and prohibits the President from running in the 2022 presidential elections. He said that the Sponsors in fact wanted to seek questions, suggestions, and amendments from the Members in order to improve the proposed document

The two Members subsequently debated on the meaning of and rationale for the inclusion in the proposed Federal Constitution of the statement that the relations between the Church and State shall be governed by benevolent neutrality. This means that religion can be exercised without any hindrance from the State and the State shall not give favor to any one religion, Representative Palma explained. The statement imposes an obligation on the Church to remain neutral and thus violates and undermines the principle of the separation of the Church and the State, Representative Tinio opined.

At this point, Representative Tinio asked why Section 11 of the 1987 Constitution, which mandates the State to value the dignity of every human person and to guarantee respect for human rights, could not be found in the proposed Federal Constitution.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Palma, the Chair declared a recess at 5:17 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:18 p.m.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

(Continuation)

Upon resumption of session, Representative Palma said that the provision referred to by his colleague was in the proposed Federal Constitution.

Representatives Tinio and Palma then discussed the transfer and demotion of a provision on the protection of human rights from the General Principles and State Policies to a mere sub-article under the section on the "Commission on Human Rights" in the proposed measure; the deletion of the phrase "guarantees full respect for human rights" in Section 10; the introduction of the Bill of Duties under the Bill of Rights in the Federal Constitution, and reason why the State had to transfer the burden and the duty of protecting human rights to the people; and the justification on the deletion of the mandate on land reform.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Upon request of Representative Palma, the Chair suspended the session at 5:27 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:27 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

On motion of Representative Fortun, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of R.B.H. No. 15.

The Chair next recognized Majority Leader Rolando G. Andaya Jr. for a manifestation.

MANIFESTATION OF MAJORITY LEADER ANDAYA

Majority Leader Andaya read to the Body the provision of Section 36 of the amended Provisional Rules of the House regarding "Attendance in Meetings" which provides, among others, that "...A Member of a committee who incurs three (3) consecutive unexplained absences within a regular session shall forfeit membership in that committee."

He thereafter said he will forward to the Committee on Ways and Means, headed by Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing, a list of 46 Members who have had continuous absences in four consecutive meetings of said Committee and warned the Members who have exceeded their absences in accordance with the aforecited Section 36.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

The Chair remarked that it is the Members' mandate and duty to attend plenary sessions and committee hearings. He reminded them that a Member with three consecutive absences will be dropped from the membership of the committee concerned.

REPRESENTATIVE TY'S MOTION TO ADJOURN

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Arnel U. Ty moved to adjourn the session due to lack of quorum.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 5:30 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 5:33 p.m.

WITHDRAWAL OF REPRESENTATIVE TY'S MOTION

Representative Ty withdrew his previous motion to adjourn.

RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

On motion of Representative Fortun, there being no objection, the Body resumed the consideration on Second Reading of R.B.H. No. 15 contained in Committee Report No. 923 as reported out by the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, entitled:

"RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES PRO-POSING THE REVISION OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

Subsequently, the Chair recognized Representatives Palma and Tinio to continue with their sponsorship and interpellation, respectively.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

(Continuation)

To the queries of Representative Tinio, Representative Palma said that the agrarian reform provision of the 1987 Constitution was transferred to Section 22, Article II of the proposed Federal Constitution and its wordings have been changed as follows: Section 22. – "The State shall promote rural development, higher agricultural productivity, and equitable land ownership arrangements."

Representative Tinio said that he considers the transfer of said provision as a demotion from General Principles and State Policies to a specific article or section in another part of the Constitution.

On the reason for the deletion of the constitutional ban against political dynasties, Representative Palma explained that he was not present during the drafting of the measure and admitted not knowing why the provision was removed.

Representative Tinio then asked the Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee to explain why the prohibition has been deleted.

Representative Veloso, to whom Representative Palma yielded the sponsorship of R.B.H. No. 15, explained that after due deliberation by the Committee, the provision on term limit was deleted in the proposed Federal Constitution and in view thereof, the provision on anti-dynasty was deemed irrelevant.

Representative Tinio pointed out that in the current Constitution, the two provisions are complementary and were meant to implement the intention of the law to provide equal access to opportunities for public service.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

At this point, the Chair stated that Representative Tinio, a very brilliant legislator and who is on his last term, would also want to consider eliminating term limits. He said that he too would oppose the imposition of term limits because he wants him back in Congress.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

(Continuation)

Representatives Tinio and Palma next tackled the issues of removing the prohibition on political dynasties and term limits; amending Section 1 of the Bill of Rights in the current Constitution by introducing the concept of right to self-defense; and the introduction of the Bill of Duties under Section 3 and its implications by requiring cooperation as a constitutional duty of every citizen.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Pichay relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Munir M. Arbison.

Representative Tinio stressed that the proposed changes were innocuous proposals and considered these amendments as dangerous that will undermine basic rights and freedoms guaranteed under the current Constitution.

Representative Tinio next inquired on how the two-party system would help the people and thereafter discussed with Representative Palma the mechanics of a two-party system.

At this point, Deputy Speaker Arbison relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Pichay.

REMINDER FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair reminded Representative Tinio that he had already consumed one hour for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

(Continuation)

Finally, Representatives Tinio and Palma dwelled on the time frame for the first election under the new Constitution, with the Sponsor explaining that there would still be elections in May 2019.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF RESOLUTION OF BOTH HOUSES NO. 15

On motion of Representative Fortun, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of R.B.H. No. 15.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 934 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 8618

On motion of Representative Fortun, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 8618 contained in Committee Report No. 934 as reported out by the Committee on Ways and Means.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

"AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 141, 142 AND 143 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVE-NUE CODE OF 1997."

As copies of the Bill had already been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Fortun, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Fortun, the Chair recognized Representative Suansing (E.), Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE SUANSING (E.)

Representative Suansing emphasized that as one of the principal authors of the Universal Health Care Bill and as Chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means pushing for the passage of House Bill No. 8618, it is her responsibility to ensure that both proposals are enacted in tandem. She then underscored that House Bill No. 8618, seeking to increase the excise tax on alcohol products, will be the initial contribution for the health insurance premiums of the indigent people.

She explained that alcohol products are generally inelastic and increasing their tax rates could be a potent source for healthcare funds, this as she stressed that the increase would also discourage alcohol drinking, which is the seventh leading cause

of death and disability. She however assured that the excise tax rates will only be increased minimally and that the excise tax structure has been simplified in several ways. She asked her colleagues to support the measure that would allow a more efficient tax system and at the same time provide better health for the poor by giving way to wider indigent health coverage.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 6:14 p.m. on motion of Representative Fortun.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:19 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 8618

On motion of Rep. Victoria Isabel G. Noel, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 8618.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Whereupon, Representative Noel acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Rep. Wes Gatchalian.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On further motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the following Committee Reports which were referred to the appropriate Committees hereunder indicated:

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report of the Committee on Public Order of Safety and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 938), re H.B. No. 8628, entitled:

"AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE PHILIP-PINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY (PNPA) AND THE NATIONAL POLICE TRAINING INSTITUTE (NPTI) FROM THE PHILIPPINE PUBLIC SAFETY COLLEGE (PPSC) TO THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 24, 35, 66 AND 67 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990', AS AMENDED"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3153 and 5787

Sponsors: Representatives Acop, Zamora (M.C.), Alejano and Bataoil

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Energy, the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Ways and Means (Committee Report No. 939), re H.B. No. 8629, entitled:

"AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AN EN-ERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVA-TION PROGRAM"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 182, 812, 970, 1220, 1527, 2388, 2540, 3040, 5406 and 6642

Sponsors: Representatives Velasco, Zamora (M.C.), Suansing (E.) and Uybarreta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Legislative Franchises (Committee Report No. 940), re H.B. No. 8630, entitled:

"AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE (25) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO ABC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, PRESENTLY KNOWN AS TV5 NETWORK, INC., UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7831, ENTITLED 'AN ACT GRANTING ABC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, UNDER BUSINESS NAME "ASSOCIATED BROADCASTING COMPANY," A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES'"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 8379

Sponsors: Representatives Alvarez (F.), Quimbo and Romualdo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report of the Committee on Basic Education and Culture (Committee Report No. 941), re H.R. No. 2315, entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES, THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND THE NATIONAL MUSEUM, IN COORDINATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, TO PRESERVE AND RESTORE HOUSES OF PHILIPPINE HEROES AND PRESIDENTS FOR THE PROMOTION OF PHILIPPINE HISTORY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE"

recommending its approval in substitution of House Resolution No. 1384

Sponsors: Representatives Durano and Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

DESIGNATION OF HOUSE CONFEREES

On successive motions of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body designated the following House conferees to reconcile the disagreeing provisions of the following House Bills and their Senate counterparts:

- House Bill No. 8552 and Senate Bill No. 1976, further strengthening the Philippine Coconut Authority: Reps. Prospero A. Pichay Jr., Sharon S. Garin, Jose T. Panganiban Jr., CPA, LLB, Vini Nola A. Ortega, Orestes T. Salon, and Edcel C. Lagman; and
- 2. House Bills No. 4814 and 8554 and Senate Bill No. 2059, enhancing revenue administration and collection by granting amnesty on all unpaid internal revenue taxes imposed by the national government for taxable year 2017 and prior years: Reps. Estrellita B. Suansing, Lianda B. Bolilia, Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, Michael L. Romero, PhD, and Danilo E. Suarez.

CONCURRENCE WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 5577

With the consent of the Committee on Basic Education and Culture as well as the author of the measure, on motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body concurred with the Senate amendments to House Bill No. 5577, mandating the conservation of Gabaldon school buildings nationwide.

DESIGNATION OF LEGISLATIVE CARETAKERS

In the interest of the people residing in the legislative districts listed below, on successive motions of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the following Members were designated as their legislative caretakers:

- Rep. Jericho Jonas B. Nograles of Party-List PBA for the First District of Davao City; and
- 2. Rep. Elenita Milagros "Eileen" Ermita-Buhain of the First District of Batangas for the Lone District of Las Piñas City.

DESIGNATION OF ADDITIONAL HOUSE CONFEREE

On subsequent motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body designated Rep. Arthur R. Defensor Jr. as additional member of the Conference Committee to reconcile the disagreeing provisions of House Bills No. 4814 and 8554 and Senate Bill No. 2059, enhancing revenue administration and collection by granting amnesty on all unpaid internal revenue taxes imposed by the national government for taxable year 2017 and prior years.

OMNIBUS APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF BILLS UNDER THE BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

On an omnibus motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading the following House Bills calendared under the Business for Thursday and Friday contained in Committee Reports as submitted by the Committees hereunder indicated; dispensed with the reading of the texts of the measures without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House, as copies thereof had been previously distributed to the Members; adopted the Explanatory Notes as the sponsorship remarks on the measures; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate, there being no Member who wished to interpellate the Sponsor; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the measures on Second Reading through viva voce voting:

<u>Submitted by the Committees on Public Works</u> and Highways, and Appropriations:

- 1. House Bill No. 8072 contained in Committee Report No. 814, mandating the construction of a coastal road connecting the Caloocan, Malabon, Navotas and Valenzuela Area (CAMANAVA) to the Provinces of Bulacan, Pampanga and Bataan;
- 2. House Bill No. 8073 contained in Committee Report No. 815, mandating the construction of Panaon Island Circumferential Road in Southern Leyte;

<u>Submitted by the Committees on Tourism, and Appropriations:</u>

- 3. House Bill No. 8506 contained in Committee Report No. 912, declaring the Pagayawan Falls and its premises located in Bacolod, Lanao del Norte an ecotourism zone;
- 4. House Bill No. 8507 contained in Committee Report No. 913, declaring the Mighty Cave Park and its premises located in Tagoloan, Lanao del Norte an ecotourism zone;
- 5. House Bill No. 8508 contained in Committee Report No. 914, declaring Mudlom Cave in Quezon, Palawan a tourist destination;
- 6. House Bill No. 8509 contained in Committee Report No. 915, declaring Sangaran Cave in Quezon, Palawan a tourist destination:
- 7. House Bill No. 8510 contained in Committee Report No. 916, declaring the City of Iligan a tourism development area;

<u>Submitted by the Committee on Public Works and Highways:</u>

- 8. House Bill No. 8531 contained in Committee Report No. 920, naming the 54 kilometer road stretching from Muelang, Mangatarem, Pangasinan, traversing through Barangays Babuyan, Guinabon, Guisguis, Canaynayan, Bangcol, Bulawon, and Poblacion North in Sta. Cruz, Zambales as the Daang Kalikasan National Road; and
- 9. House Bill No. 8532 contained in Committee Report No. 921, naming the portion of the Labuan-Limpapa National Road stretching from Crossing Airport Road and

C.A. Fernandez Road (Baliwasan Chico Road) in Baliwasan up to Limpapa Bridge in Limpapa, Zamboanga City as Gen. Vicente Alvarez Highway.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 6:30 p.m. upon motion of Representative Noel.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:37 p.m.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

On successive motions of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the approval on Third Reading of the following House Bills, printed copies of which were distributed to the Members on the dates mentioned herein, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the amended Provisional Rules of the House:

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

1. House Bill No. 8528, entitled: "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF OC-CUPATIONAL THERAPY IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR";

Distributed on November 14, 2018:

2. House Bill No. 8382, entitled: "AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO KITSON SORIANO KHO";

Distributed on November 15, 2018:

3. House Bill No. 8529, entitled: "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR";

Distributed on November 14, 2018:

4. House Bill No. 8101, entitled: "AN ACT GRANTING SURVIVORSHIP BENE-FITS TO THE DEPENDENT CHILDREN OF A DECEASED RETIRED MEMBER OF THE JUDICIARY WHO IS A SOLO PARENT,OR TO THE SURVIVING PARENTS OR NOMINATED PERSONS OF SUCH DECEASED RETIREE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 910, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"; and

5. House Bill No. 8121, entitled: "AN ACT PROVIDING SUPPORT FOR THE SUR-VIVING SPOUSE AND CHILDREN OF **SLAIN** JUSTICES AND JUDGES. AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE RE-PUBLIC ACT NO. 910, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETIREMENT OF JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT AND OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, FOR THE EN-FORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS HEREOF BY THE GOVERNMENT SER-VICE INSURANCE SYSTEM, AND TO COMMONWEALTH REPEAL NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SIX', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the amended Provisional Rules of the House, a second Roll Call was made.

RESULT OF THE VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

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Aquino-Magsaysay

Aragones

Arbison

Arcillas

Arenas

Aumentado

Bataoil

Belaro

Benitez

Billones

Bolilia

Bondoc

Bordado

Bravo (A.)

Bravo (M.V.)

Brosas

Cagas

Calderon

Caminero Marcoleta Canama Marquez Casilao Martinez Castelo Matugas Castro (F.L.) Mellana Castro (F.H.) Mendoza Celeste Mirasol Cerilles Montoro Chavez Nava Chipeco Nieto Cortuna Noel Cua Nolasco

Cuaresma Nuñez-Malanyaon

Cueva Oaminal Dalipe Ong (E.) Ortega (P.) Datol De Jesus Ortega (V.N.) de Venecia Pacquiao Del Mar Paduano Deloso-Montalla Palma

Durano Pancho Elago Panganiban Ermita-Buhain **Panotes** Escudero Papandayan Espina Pico Pimentel Fernando Ferrer (J.) Pineda

Floirendo Primicias-Agabas

Fortun Quimbo Fortuno Ramirez-Sato Garbin Ramos Garcia (J.E.) Roa-Puno Garin (S.) Robes Gasataya Rocamora Rodriguez (I.) Rodriguez (M.)

Gatchalian Geron Go (M.) Romero Romualdez Gonzaga Gonzales (A.P.) Romualdo Sagarbarria Gonzales (A.D.) Gonzalez Salceda Salo Hernandez (P.) Herrera-Dy Salon Hofer Sambar Sandoval Kho Labadlabad Lacson

Sarmiento (C.) Sarmiento (E.M.) Savellano Lanete Sema Laogan Limkaichong Siao Lobregat Silverio Lopez (B.) Suansing (E.) Lopez (C.) Suansing (H.) Lopez (M.L.) Suarez Macapagal-Arroyo Sy-Alvarado Maceda Tan (A.) Tejada Malapitan Mangudadatu (Z.) **Teves**

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Negative:

None

Abstention:

None

With 170 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

SENATE TRANSMITTAL OF HOUSE BILLS

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Body directed the Secretary General to immediately transmit to the Senate copies of the House Bills that had just been approved on Third Reading.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Noel, there being no objection, the Chair then declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Monday, November 26, 2018.

It was 7:01 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) MR. DANTE ROBERTO P. MALING Acting Secretary General

Approved on November 26, 2018.

Congress of the Philippines House of Representatives Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE

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Wednesday, November 21, 2018

*	ABAYA		BENITEZ	****	DEL ROSARIO
****	ABAYON	*	BERNOS		DELOSO-MONTALLA
****	ABELLANOSA	*	BERTIZ	****	DIMAPORO (A.)
*	ABU	****	BIAZON	****	DIMAPORO (M.K.)
****	ABUEG		BILLONES	****	DUAVIT
**	ACHARON	****	BIRON		DURANO
	ACOP		BOLILIA	****	DY
****	ACOSTA		BONDOC		ELAGO
	ACOSTA-ALBA		BORDADO	****	ENVERGA
****	ADIONG		BRAVO (A.)	****	ERICE
	ADVINCULA		BRAVO (M.V.)	****	ERIGUEL
****	AGARAO		BROSAS		ERMITA-BUHAIN
	AGGABAO	*	BULUT-BEGTANG		ESCUDERO
****	ALBANO		CAGAS		ESPINA
****	ALCALA		CALDERON	*	ESPINO
****	ALEJANO	****	CALIXTO-RUBIANO	****	ESTRELLA
	ALMARIO		CAMINERO	****	EUSEBIO
	ALMONTE	****	CAMPOS	****	EVARDONE
	ALONTE		CANAMA	****	FARIÑAS
****	ALVAREZ (F.)	****	CARI		FERNANDO
****	ALVAREZ (M.)		CASILAO		FERRER (J.)
****	ALVAREZ (P.)		CASTELO	*	FERRER (L.)
****	AMANTE		CASTRO (F.L.)	****	FERRIOL-PASCUAL
	AMATONG		CASTRO (F.H.)		FLOIRENDO
	ANDAYA	****	CATAMCO	****	FLORES
	ANGARA-CASTILLO	****	CAYETANO		FORTUN
****	ANTONINO		CELESTE		FORTUNO
****	ANTONIO	****	CERAFICA	****	FUENTEBELLA
	AQUINO-MAGSAYSAY	***	CERILLES		GARBIN
	ARAGONES		CHAVEZ	****	GARCIA (G.)
	ARBISON		CHIPECO		GARCIA (J.E.)
	ARCILLAS	****	CO	****	GARCIA-ALBANO
	ARENAS	****	COJUANGCO	****	GARIN (R.)
	ATIENZA	****	COLLANTES		GARIN (S.)
	AUMENTADO	****	CORTES		GASATAYA
****	BAG-AO		CORTUNA	***	GATCHALIAN
****	BAGATSING	****	COSALAN		GERON
**	BAGUILAT	*	CRISOLOGO	****	GO (A.C.)
****	BANAL		CUA		GO (M.)
****	BARBERS		CUARESMA	****	GOMEZ
****	BARZAGA		CUEVA		GONZAGA
	BATAOIL		DALIPE		GONZALES (A.P.)
**	BATOCABE		DATOL		GONZALES (A.D.)
****	BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN	*	DAZA		GONZALEZ
	BELARO	*	DE JESUS	****	GORRICETA
****	BELMONTE (F.)		DE VENECIA	****	GULLAS
****	BELMONTE (J.C.)	****	DEFENSOR	*	HERNANDEZ (F.)
****	BELMONTE (R.)		DEL MAR		HERNANDEZ (P.)

	HERRERA-DY		ONG (E.)		SILVERIO
	HOFER	*	ONG (H.)	****	SINGSON
***	JALOSJOS		ORTEGA (P.)		SUANSING (E.)
*	JAVIER		ORTEGA (V.N.)		SUANSING (H.)
	KHO		PACQUIAO		SUAREZ
****	KHONGHUN		PADUANO	*	SY-ALVARADO
	LABADLABAD		PALMA	****	TAMBUNTING
	LACSON		PANCHO	***	TAN (A.)
	LAGMAN		PANGANIBAN	****	TAN (M.)
	LANETE		PANOTES	****	TAN (M.) TAN (S.)
	LAOGAN		PAPANDAYAN		TEJADA
****	LAZATIN		PICHAY		TEVES
****	LEACHON		PICO	****	TIANGCO
****	LEE		PIMENTEL	*	TING
	LIMKAICHONG		PINEDA		TINIO
	LOBREGAT	*	PLAZA	***	TOLENTINO
	LOPEZ (B.)		PRIMICIAS-	***	TREÑAS
	LOFEZ (B.)		AGABAS		IKENAS
	LOPEZ (C.)		QUIMBO		TUGNA
	LOPEZ (M.L.)	****	RADAZA	*	TUPAS
****	LOYOLA		RAMIREZ-SATO		TY
	MACAPAGAL-ARROYO		RAMOS	****	UMALI
	MACEDA	****	RELAMPAGOS		UNABIA
****	MADRONA	*	REVILLA		UNGAB
	MALAPITAN		ROA-PUNO		UNICO
****	MANALO		ROBES		UY (J.)
****	MANGAOANG		ROCAMORA		UY (R.)
*	MANGUDADATU (S.)		RODRIGUEZ (I.)		UYBARRETA
*	MANGUDADATU (S.)		RODRIGUEZ (I.) RODRIGUEZ (M.)		VARGAS
	MARCOLETA	****	ROMAN	****	VARGAS-ALFONSO
****	MARCOLLTA		ROMERO		VELARDE
****	MARIÑO		ROMUALDEZ		VELARDE VELASCO
	MARQUEZ	***	ROMUALDO		VELASCO-CATERA
	MARTINEZ	****	ROQUE		VELASCO-CATERA VELOSO
	MATUGAS	****	SACDALAN		VERGARA
	MELLANA		SAGARBARRIA	****	VILLAFUERTE
****	MENDING	****	SAHALI	***	VILLANUEVA
	MENDOZA		SALCEDA	****	VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
****	MERCADO	***	SALIMBANGON		VILLARICA
	MIRASOL		SALO	****	VILLARIN
	MONTORO		SALON		VIOLAGO
*	NAVA		SAMBAR		YAP (A.)
*	NIETO		SANDOVAL	****	YAP (M.)
	NOEL	****	SANGCOPAN	*	YAP (V.)
****	NOGRALES	****	SANTOS-RECTO	*	YU
	NOLASCO		SARMIENTO (C.)		ZAMORA (M.C.)
	NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	***	SARMIENTO (E.M.)		ZAMORA (R.)
	OAMINAL		SAVELLANO		ZARATE
****	OCAMPO		SEMA		ZUBIRI
****	OLIVAREZ		SIAO		
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*	Appeared after the Roll Call				
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***	Attended meetings of CA/HRET/Confe			zed by Comn	nittee on Rules

- **** Officially notified the House, through the Secretariat, of their absence
- ***** Absent without notice

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