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**CALL TO ORDER**

At 4:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Fredenil "Fred" H. Castro 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.

**ROLL CALL**

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Christopher V.P. de Venecia, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abayon  
Abellanosa  
Abu  
Abueg  
Acharon  
Acop  
Acosta-Alba  
Advincula  
Aggabao  
Albano  
Alejano  
Almario  
Almonte  
Alonte  
Alvarez (F.)  
Alvarez (P.)  
Amante  
Amatong  
Angara-Castillo  
Antonino  
Antonio  
Aquino-Magsaysay  
Aragones  
Arenas  
Atienza  
Banal  
Barbers  
Barzaga  
Bataoil  
Bautista-Bandigan  
Belaro  
Belmonte (J.C.)  
Belmonte (R.)  
Benitez  
Bernos

Bertiz  
Biazon  
Billones  
Bolilia  
Bondoc  
Bordado  
Bravo (A.)  
Bravo (M.V.)  
Brosas  
Bulut-Begtang  
Cagas  
Calalang  
Calderon  
Caminero  
Campos  
Canama  
Cari  
Casilao  
Castro (F.L.)  
Castro (F.H.)  
Catamco  
Cerafica  
Cerilles  
Chipeco  
Cojuangco  
Cortes  
Cortuna  
Cosalan  
Cua  
Cuaresma  
Cueva  
Dalipe  
Daza  
De Jesus  
de Venecia  
De Vera  
Defensor  
Del Mar  
Deloso-Montalla  
Dimaporo (A.)  
Dimaporo (M.K.)  
Duavit  
Durano  
Dy  
Elago  
Enverga  
Erice  
Eriguel  
Ermita-Buhain  
Escudero  
Espino  
Evardone

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Fariñas	Oaminal
Fernando	Ocampo
Ferrer (J.)	Ong (E.)
Ferriol-Pascual	Ortega (P.)
Flores	Ortega (V.N.)
Fortun	Pacquiao
Fortuno	Paduano
Garcia (G.)	Palma
Garcia (J.E.)	Pancho
Garcia-Albano	Panganiban
Garin (S.)	Panotes
Gasataya	Papandayan
Gatchalian	Pichay
Go (A.C.)	Pimentel
Go (M.)	Pineda
Gomez	Plaza
Gonzales (A.P.)	Primicias-Agabas
Gonzales (A.D.)	Quimbo
Gonzalez	Radaza
Gullas	Ramirez-Sato
Hernandez	Ramos
Herrera-Dy	Revilla
Jalosjos	Roa-Puno
Javier	Robes
Kho	Rocamora
Khonghun	Rodriguez (I.)
Labadlabad	Rodriguez (M.)
Lacson	Romualdo
Lagman	Roque
Lanete	Sacdalan
Laogan	Sagarbarria
Leachon	Sahali
Lee	Salceda
Limkaichong	Salimbangon
Lobregat	Salo
Lopez (B.)	Salon
Lopez (M.L.)	Sambar
Loyola	Sandoval
Macapagal-Arroyo	Sangcopan
Madrona	Sarmiento (C.)
Malapitan	Sarmiento (E.M.)
Manalo	Savellano
Mangaoang	Sema
Marcoleta	Siao
Mariño	Silverio
Marquez	Singson
Martinez	Suansing (E.)
Matugas	Suansing (H.)
Mellana	Suarez
Mendoza	Tambunting
Mercado	Tan (A.)
Mirasol	Tan (M.)
Montoro	Tejada
Nava	Teves
Nieto	Tiangco
Noel	Ting
Nogralles (K.A.)	Tinio
Nolasco	Tolentino

Ty  
Unabia  
Ungab  
Unico  
Uy (R.)  
Vargas-Alfonso  
Velarde  
Velasco  
Velo  
Vergara  
Villanueva  
Villarica  
Yap (M.)  
Yu  
Zamora (R.)  
Zubiri

With 219 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

#### **DEFERMENT OF APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body deferred the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

#### **REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

Subsequently, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions, including the Subpoena *Duces Tecum*, Communications, and Committee Reports, which were referred to the appropriate Committees hereunder indicated:

#### **BILLS ON FIRST READING**

House Bill No. 7415, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING SUBSTITUTE CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY TO AND PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE FOR ALL NON-REGULAR EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT INCLUDING NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND -CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS AND ALL OTHER GOVERNMENT INSTRUMENTALITIES, WHO HAVE

RENDERED AT LEAST SIX (6) MONTHS OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE, AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSE”

By Representatives Zarate, Tinio, De Jesus, Castro (F.L.), Brosas, Casilao and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 7416, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO EGOR DMITRIEV”

By Representative Del Rosario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 7417, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING THE HOARDING, PRICE MANIPULATION OF RICE AND ENGAGING IN CARTEL OPERATIONS IN ORDER TO INFLUENCE THE DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF RICE IN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Lopez (M.L.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 7418, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALABEL IN THE PROVINCE OF SARANGANI INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ALABEL”

By Representative Pacquiao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 7419, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE REPAIR OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND THE SALE OF AUTOMOTIVE SPARE PARTS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

By Representative Bernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 7420, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE DOMESTIC TRANSFER OF HUMAN REMAINS AND CADAVERS”

By Representative Gatchalian

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW OF 1988”

By Representative Relampagos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN REFORM

House Bill No. 7421, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OF MEMBERS OF THE CITIZEN ARMED FORCES OR THE RESERVE FORCE OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 7426, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE eHEALTH SYSTEM AND SERVICES IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES WITH THE USE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 7423, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE COTABATO REGIONAL AND MEDICAL CENTER IN COTABATO CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8316, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sema

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 7427, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING FIRE SAFETY AWARENESS AMONG ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 7424, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR BARANGAY OFFICIALS, AMENDING SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Zubiri

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 7428, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2640 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT TO CREATE A PUBLIC CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE VETERANS FEDERATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, DEFINING ITS POWERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

By Representative Mendoza

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND WELFARE

House Bill No. 7425, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 6 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6657, AS AMENDED,

House Bill No. 7431, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL  
TURNCOATISM AND PROVIDING  
PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Barbers

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND  
ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 7434, entitled:

“AN ACT IMPOSING THE COLLECTION  
OF A TAX ON FOREIGN VISITORS IN  
THE COUNTRY FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
GENERATING FUNDS FOR TOURIST  
WELFARE SERVICES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND  
MEANS

House Bill No. 7438, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC UTILITY  
DRIVERS TO SECURE A SPECIAL  
UTILITY LICENSE”

By Representative Silverio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTA-  
TION

House Bill No. 7439, entitled:

“AN ACT DESIGNATING THE 3RD SUN-  
DAY OF NOVEMBER AS THE NA-  
TIONAL DAY OF REMEMBRANCE  
FOR ROAD CRASH VICTIMS, SURVI-  
VORS & FAMILIES”

By Representative Robes

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTA-  
TION

House Bill No. 7440, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE BULACAN  
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM, INTE-  
GRATING MODERNIZATION, APPRO-  
PRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND  
FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND  
TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 7441, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A BASIC EDU-  
CATION SCHOOL IN EVERY INDIGE-  
NOUS PEOPLES COMMUNITY IN THE  
COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCA-  
TION AND CULTURE

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1794, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A FIVE-  
YEAR INCOME TAX MORATORIUM  
ON THE SALARIES OF GOVERNMENT  
OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE  
CITY OF MARAWI AND THE PROV-  
INCE OF LANA O DEL SUR AND SUS-  
PENSION OF THEIR LOAN PAYMENTS  
INCLUDING INTEREST FOR A PERIOD  
OF FIVE (5) YEARS”

By Representative Mendoza

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND  
MEANS

House Resolution No. 1795, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING MEMBERS OF  
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
TO CALL ON THE FILIPINO PEOPLE  
TO PROACTIVELY PARTICIPATE AND  
TO ENJOIN ALL GOVERNMENT  
AGENCIES TO MAKE THEIR RESPEC-  
TIVE COMMUNITY-BASED PRO-  
GRAMS READILY AVAILABLE FOR  
THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLE-  
MENTATION YES FOR PEACE -BAYA-  
NIHAN NG BAYAN”

By Representative Herrera-Dy

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON  
PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND  
UNITY

House Resolution No. 1796, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COM-  
MITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION TO  
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF  
LEGISLATION, ON THE CIRCUM-  
STANCES OF THE PLANE CRASH AT

THE PLARIDEL AIRPORT INVOLVING  
A PIPER PA-23 APACHE AIRPLANE OP-  
ERATED BY LITEAIR EXPRESS, AND  
THE CONDITION OF PLARIDEL AIR-  
PORT AS WELL AS ITS IMPACT ON  
THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY”

By Representatives Pancho and Manalo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

SUBPOENA *DUCES TECUM*

Pursuant to Section 150, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated 6 February 2018 issued by Maria Olivia Elena A. Roxas, Director, General Investigation Bureau-B, Field Investigation Office, Office of the Ombudsman, re Case No. FF-C-17-0956, directing to submit within five (5) days from receipt hereof, a Certification under oath stating whether or not Richard Santuile and Rex Balut are employees/staffs of Congressman Ricardo “RJ” T. Belmonte, Serbisyo sa Bayan Party-List (SBP) Representative and certified true copies of the following documents, to wit:

1. Latest Personal Data Sheet with Photo;
2. Appointment Papers;
3. Oath of Office;
4. Service Record;
5. Position Description Form;
6. Contract of Employment, if any; and
7. All other pertinent documents.

Pursuant to Section 150, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated 28 February 2018 issued by Ma. Althea Rholene J. Raypon, Assistant Special Prosecutor I, Office of the Special Prosecutor, Office of the Ombudsman, re Crim Case Nos. SB-18-CRM-0054 to 0056, directing to produce within five (5) days from receipt hereof the original copies/certified true copies/authenticated copies of the following:

1. Service Record of Augusto L. Syjuco, Jr.; and
2. Personal Data Sheet of Augusto L. Syjuco, Jr.

Pursuant to Section 151, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated 19 February 2018 issued by Alfred Yann G. Oguis, Officer-in-Charge, Field Investigation Bureau, Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for Visayas, Office of the Ombudsman, re: FF-V-17-0793, directing to submit within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof, clear and authenticated copy of the following documents pertaining to Richard Garin, Jr., Representative, 1st District of Iloilo:

1. Updated Personal Data Sheet or its equivalent (with photo); and
2. Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth from year 2013 up to 2017.

Pursuant to Section 151, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated 19 February 2018 issued by Alfred Yann G. Oguis, Officer-in-Charge, Field Investigation Bureau, Office of the Deputy Ombudsman for Visayas, re: FF-V-17-0793, directing to submit within fifteen (15) days from receipt hereof, a clear and authenticated copy of the following documents pertaining to Janette L. Garin, former Representative, 1st District of Iloilo:

1. Updated Personal Data Sheet or its equivalent (with photo); and
2. Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth from year 2004 up to 2013.

Pursuant to Section 151, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated March 1, 2018 issued by Maria Olivia Elena A. Roxas, Director, General Investigation Bureau-B, FIO, Office of the Ombudsman, re: Case No. FF-C-17-0742, directing to submit within five (5) days upon receipt, clear and certified true copy of the following documents:

House Resolution No. 1014, series of 2017, entitled “A Resolution Calling for an Investigation of the Department of Justice Handling of Cases Involving Secretary Aguirre’s Former Clients from Sulu”; and

Minutes of the hearing(s) conducted thereof, if any.

Pursuant to Section 151, Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives transmitting the Subpoena *Duces Tecum* dated February 6, 2018

issued by Paul Elmer M. Clemente, Deputy Ombudsman for the Visayas, re: Case No. FF-V-17-0424, directing to submit clear and certified true copies of the following documents pertaining to former representative Julio “Jules” Ledesma IV, to wit:

1. Recent Personal Data Sheet with latest picture;
2. Appointment/Designation Papers;
3. Oath of Office;
4. Travel Authority;
5. Service Record; and
6. Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Net Worth from CY 2007-2016.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Letters dated March 14 and 16, 2018 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with duly certified and authenticated BSP issuances, to wit:

1. Circular No. 999 dated 14 March 2018;
2. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-018 dated 2 March 2018;
3. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-020 dated 14 March 2018; and
4. Circular Letter No. CL-2018-021 dated 8 March 2018.

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

Letter dated 16 March 2018 of Roger E. Dino, Deputy Director, Office of the General Counsel and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP), furnishing the House of Representatives with a duly certified and authenticated copy of Circular Letter No. CL-2018-019 dated 8 March 2018.

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report by the Committee on Health (Committee Report No. 680), re H.B. No. 7437, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE PRIVATIZATION AND CORPORATIZATION OF PUBLIC HOSPITALS, PUBLIC HEALTH FACILITIES AND PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2475, 3491 and 3857

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Zarate and Atienza

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Welfare of Children and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 681), re H.B. No. 7442, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SPECIAL PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN SITUATIONS OF ARMED CONFLICT AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 13, 1280, 2345, 3050 and 4676

Sponsors: Representatives Yu, Nograles (K.A.), Dalipe, Belmonte (J.C.) and Belmonte (F.)

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship Development and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 682), re H.B. No. 7445, entitled:

“AN ACT PROMOTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILLS AMONG GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES TO INSPIRE INNOVATIVENESS AND TO ENSURE THEIR PRODUCTIVITY EVEN BEYOND GOVERNMENT SERVICE”



recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3335

Sponsors: Representatives Unabia, Nograles (K.A.), Noel and Laogan

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship Development and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 683), re H.B. No. 7446, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING A SOCIALIZED MICROFINANCING PROGRAM FOR MICRO ENTERPRISES THEREBY PROMOTING ENTREPRENEURSHIP”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 5158 and 5920

Sponsors: Representatives Unabia, Nograles (K.A.), Tan (A.) and Limkaichong

#### TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Representative de Venecia then acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Reps. Fernando V. Gonzalez and Eugene Michael B. De Vera.

#### APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF SEVERAL HOUSE BILLS

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, 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 specified herein, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the amended Provisional Rules of the House:

#### Distributed on March 15, 2018:

1. House Bill No. 7185, entitled: “AN ACT RECOGNIZING THE FOREIGN DECREE OF TERMINATION OF MARRIAGE AND ALLOWING ITS SUBSEQUENT REGISTRATION WITH THE PHILIPPINE CIVIL REGISTRY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES' ”;

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:*

Abayon  
Abellanosa  
Abu  
Abueg  
Acharon  
Acop  
Acosta-Alba  
Advincula  
Aggabao  
Almonte  
Alonte  
Alvarez (F.)  
Alvarez (P.)  
Amante  
Amatong  
Angara-Castillo  
Antonino  
Antonio  
Aquino-Magsaysay  
Aragones  
Arenas  
Bag-ao  
Bagatsing  
Banal  
Barzaga  
Bataoil  
Batocabe  
Bautista-Bandigan  
Belaro  
Belmonte (J.C.)  
Belmonte (R.)  
Benitez  
Bernos  
Bertiz  
Biazon  
Billones  
Bolilia  
Bondoc  
Bordado  
Bravo (A.)  
Bravo (M.V.)  
Brosas  
Bulut-Begtang  
Cagas  
Calalang

Calderon	Khonghun
Caminero	Labadlabad
Campos	Lacson
Canama	Lagman
Cari	Lanete
Casilao	Laogan
Castro (F.L.)	Leachon
Catamco	Lee
Cerifica	Limkaichong
Cerilles	Lobregat
Chipeco	Lopez (B.)
Co	Lopez (M.L.)
Cojuangco	Madrona
Cortes	Malapitan
Cosalan	Manalo
Cuaresma	Mangaoang
Cueva	Mangudadatu (Z.)
Dalipe	Marcoleta
Daza	Mariño
De Jesus	Marquez
de Venecia	Martinez
De Vera	Matugas
Defensor	Mellana
Deloso-Montalla	Mendoza
Dimaporo (A.)	Mercado
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Mirasol
Duavit	Montoro
Durano	Nava
Dy	Nieto
Elago	Noel
Enverga	Nogralas (K.A.)
Erice	Nolasco
Eriguel	Oaminal
Ermita-Buhain	Ong (E.)
Escudero	Ortega (P.)
Espino	Ortega (V.N.)
Evardone	Pacquiao
Fariñas	Paduano
Fernando	Palma
Ferrer (J.)	Pancho
Ferriol-Pascual	Panganiban
Flores	Panotes
Fortun	Papandayan
Fortuno	Pichay
Garbin	Pimentel
Garcia (G.)	Pineda
Garcia-Albano	Plaza
Gasataya	Primicias-Agabas
Go (A.C.)	Radaza
Go (M.)	Ramirez-Sato
Gomez	Ramos
Gonzales (A.P.)	Revilla
Gonzales (A.D.)	Roa-Puno
Gonzalez	Robes
Gullas	Rocamora
Hernandez	Rodriguez (I.)
Herrera-Dy	Rodriguez (M.)
Kho	Roque

Sacdalan  
Sagarbarria  
Sahali  
Salceda  
Salimbangon  
Salo  
Salon  
Sambar  
Sandoval  
Sangcopan  
Sarmiento (C.)  
Sarmiento (E.M.)  
Savellano  
Sema  
Siao  
Silverio  
Singson  
Suansing (E.)  
Suarez  
Tambunting  
Tan (A.)  
Tan (M.)  
Teves  
Tiangco  
Ting  
Tinio  
Ty  
Unabia  
Ungab  
Unico  
Uy (R.)  
Vargas-Alfonso  
Velasco  
Velo  
Vergara  
Villanueva  
Villarica  
Yap (M.)  
Yap (V.)  
Yu  
Zarate

*Negative:*

Alejano  
Del Mar  
Garcia (J.E.)

*Abstention:*

None

## APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF SEVERAL HOUSE BILLS

(Continuation)

Distributed on March 14, 2018:

2. House Bill No. 7230, entitled: “AN ACT RENAMING THE PORTION OF RADIAL ROAD 10 TRAVERSING BONIFACIO DRIVE AT ANDA CIRCLE IN STATION KILOMETER (STA KM) 1+100, UP TO MARALA BRIDGE AT THE FOOT OF ESTERO DE MARALA STA KM 6+445, ALL IN THE CITY OF MANILA AS MEL LOPEZ BOULEVARD”;

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:*

Abayon  
Abellanosa  
Abu  
Abueg  
Acharon  
Acop  
Acosta-Alba  
Advincula  
Aggabao  
Alejano  
Almonte  
Alonte  
Alvarez (F.)  
Alvarez (P.)  
Amante  
Amatong  
Angara-Castillo  
Antonino  
Antonio  
Aquino-Magsaysay  
Aragones  
Arenas  
Bag-ao  
Bagatsing  
Banal  
Barzaga  
Bataoil

With 202 affirmative votes, three negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 7185.

Batocabe	Fernando
Bautista-Bandigan	Ferrer (J.)
Belaro	Ferriol-Pascual
Belmonte (J.C.)	Flores
Belmonte (R.)	Fortun
Benitez	Fortuno
Bernos	Garbin
Bertiz	Garcia (G.)
Biazon	Garcia (J.E.)
Billones	Garcia-Albano
Bolilia	Gasataya
Bondoc	Go (A.C.)
Bordado	Go (M.)
Bravo (A.)	Gomez
Bravo (M.V.)	Gonzales (A.P.)
Brosas	Gonzales (A.D.)
Bulut-Begtang	Gonzalez
Cagas	Gullas
Calalang	Hernandez
Calderon	Herrera-Dy
Caminero	Kho
Campos	Khonghun
Canama	Labadlabad
Cari	Lacson
Casilao	Lagman
Castro (F.L.)	Lanete
Catamco	Laogan
Ceramica	Leachon
Cerilles	Lee
Chipeco	Limkaichong
Co	Lobregat
Cojuangco	Lopez (B.)
Cortes	Lopez (C.)
Cosalan	Lopez (M.L.)
Cuaresma	Madrona
Cueva	Malapitan
Dalipe	Manalo
Daza	Mangaoang
De Jesus	Mangudadatu (Z.)
de Venecia	Marcoleta
De Vera	Mariño
Defensor	Marquez
Del Mar	Martinez
Deloso-Montalla	Matugas
Dimaporo (A.)	Mellana
Dimaporo (M.K.)	Mendoza
Duavit	Mercado
Durano	Mirasol
Dy	Montoro
Elago	Nava
Enverga	Nieto
Erice	Noel
Eriguel	Nogralas (K.A.)
Ermita-Buhain	Nolasco
Escudero	Oaminal
Espino	Ong (E.)
Evardone	Ortega (P.)
Fariñas	Ortega (V.N.)

Pacquiao  
Paduano  
Palma  
Pancho  
Panganiban  
Panotes  
Papandayan  
Pichay  
Pimentel  
Pineda  
Plaza  
Primicias-Agabas  
Radaza  
Ramirez-Sato  
Ramos  
Revilla  
Roa-Puno  
Robes  
Rocamora  
Rodriguez (I.)  
Rodriguez (M.)  
Roque  
Sacdalan  
Sagarbarria  
Sahali  
Salceda  
Salimbangon  
Salo  
Salon  
Sambar  
Sandoval  
Sangcopan  
Sarmiento (C.)  
Sarmiento (E.M.)  
Savellano  
Sema  
Siao  
Silverio  
Singson  
Suansing (E.)  
Suarez  
Tambunting  
Tan (A.)  
Tan (M.)  
Teves  
Tiangco  
Ting  
Tinio  
Ty  
Unabia  
Ungab  
Unico  
Uy (R.)  
Vargas-Alfonso  
Velarde  
Velasco  
Velooso  
Vergara

Villanueva  
Villarica  
Yap (M.)  
Yap (V.)  
Yu  
Zarate

*Negative:*

None

*Abstention:*

None

With 207 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 7230.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING  
OF SEVERAL HOUSE BILLS**  
(Continuation)

Distributed on March 15, 2018:

3. House Bill No. 6724, entitled: "AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF LUPON SCHOOL OF FISHERIES IN LUPON, DAVAO ORIENTAL, INTO THE DAVAO ORIENTAL POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE";

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:*

Abayon  
Abellanosa  
Abu  
Abueg  
Acharon  
Acop  
Acosta-Alba  
Advincula  
Aggabao  
Alejano  
Almonte

Alonte	Del Mar
Alvarez (F.)	Deloso-Montalla
Alvarez (P.)	Dimaporo (A.)
Amante	Dimaporo (M.K.)
Amatong	Duavit
Angara-Castillo	Durano
Antonino	Dy
Antonio	Elago
Aquino-Magsaysay	Enverga
Aragones	Erice
Arenas	Eriguel
Bag-ao	Ermita-Buhain
Bagatsing	Escudero
Banal	Espino
Barzaga	Evardone
Bataoil	Fariñas
Batocabe	Fernando
Bautista-Bandigan	Ferrer (J.)
Belaro	Ferriol-Pascual
Belmonte (J.C.)	Flores
Belmonte (R.)	Fortun
Benitez	Fortuno
Bernos	Garbin
Bertiz	Garcia (G.)
Biazon	Garcia (J.E.)
Billones	Garcia-Albano
Bolilia	Gasataya
Bondoc	Geron
Bordado	Go (A.C.)
Bravo (A.)	Go (M.)
Bravo (M.V.)	Gomez
Brosas	Gonzales (A.P.)
Bulut-Begtang	Gonzales (A.D.)
Cagas	Gonzalez
Calalang	Gullas
Calderon	Hernandez
Caminero	Herrera-Dy
Campos	Kho
Canama	Khonghun
Cari	Labadlabad
Casilao	Lacson
Castro (F.L.)	Lagman
Catamco	Lanete
Cerafica	Laogan
Cerilles	Leachon
Chipeco	Lee
Co	Limkaichong
Cojuangco	Lobregat
Cortes	Lopez (B.)
Cosalan	Lopez (C.)
Cuaresma	Lopez (M.L.)
Cueva	Madrona
Dalipe	Malapitan
Daza	Manalo
De Jesus	Mangaoang
de Venecia	Mangudatu (Z.)
De Vera	Marcoleta
Defensor	Mariño

Marquez	Tambunting
Martinez	Tan (A.)
Matugas	Tan (M.)
Mellana	Teves
Mendoza	Tiangco
Mercado	Ting
Mirasol	Tinio
Montoro	Ty
Nava	Unabia
Nieto	Ungab
Noel	Unico
Nogralas (K.A.)	Uy (R.)
Nolasco	Vargas-Alfonso
Oaminal	Velarde
Ong (E.)	Velasco
Ortega (P.)	Veloso
Ortega (V.N.)	Vergara
Pacquiao	Villanueva
Paduano	Villarica
Palma	Yap (M.)
Pancho	Yap (V.)
Panganiban	Yu
Panotes	Zarate
Papandayan	
Pichay	
Pimentel	<i>Negative:</i>
Pineda	
Plaza	None
Primicias-Agabas	
Radaza	<i>Abstention:</i>
Ramirez-Sato	
Ramos	
Revilla	None
Roa-Puno	
Robes	
Rocamora	
Rodriguez (I.)	
Rodriguez (M.)	
Roque	
Sacdalan	
Sagarbarria	
Sahali	
Salceda	
Salimbangon	
Salo	
Salon	
Sambar	
Sandoval	
Sangcopan	
Sarmiento (C.)	
Sarmiento (E.M.)	
Savellano	
Sema	
Siao	
Silverio	
Singson	
Suansing (E.)	
Suarez	

With 208 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 6724.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING  
OF SEVERAL HOUSE BILLS**  
(Continuation)

Distributed on March 15, 2018:

- House Bill No. 7310, entitled: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN EXTENSION PROGRAM OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTSP) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VILLANUEVA, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL";
- House Bill No. 7327, entitled: "AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VALENZUELA MEDICAL CENTER IN THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, FROM

TWO HUNDRED (200) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

6. House Bill No. 7346, entitled: “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SOUTHERN LEYTE SPORTS ACADEMY AND TRAINING CENTER IN THE CAPITAL CITY OF MAASIN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”; and
7. House Bill No. 7362, entitled: ‘AN ACT CONVERTING THE SAN LORENZO RUIZ WOMEN’S HOSPITAL IN MALABON CITY, METRO MANILA INTO A GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE SAN LORENZO RUIZ GENERAL HOSPITAL, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM TEN (10) TO TWO HUNDRED (200) BEDS 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:*

Abayon  
Abellanosa  
Abu  
Abueg  
Acharon  
Acop  
Acosta-Alba  
Advincula  
Aggabao  
Almonte  
Alonte  
Alvarez (F.)  
Alvarez (P.)  
Amante  
Amatong  
Angara-Castillo  
Antonino  
Antonio  
Aquino-Magsaysay  
Aragones  
Arenas  
Aumentado  
Bag-ao  
Bagatsing  
Banal

Barzaga  
Bataoil  
Batocabe  
Bautista-Bandigan  
Belaro  
Belmonte (J.C.)  
Belmonte (R.)  
Benitez  
Bernos  
Bertiz  
Biazon  
Billones  
Bolilia  
Bondoc  
Bordado  
Bravo (A.)  
Bravo (M.V.)  
Brosas  
Bulut-Begtang  
Cagas  
Calalang  
Calderon  
Caminero  
Campos  
Canama  
Cari  
Casilao  
Castro (F.L.)  
Catamco  
Cerafica  
Cerilles  
Chipeco  
Co  
Cojuangco  
Cortes  
Cosalan  
Cuaresma  
Cueva  
Dalipe  
Daza  
De Jesus  
de Venecia  
De Vera  
Defensor  
Del Mar  
Deloso-Montalla  
Dimaporo (A.)  
Dimaporo (M.K.)  
Duavit  
Durano  
Dy  
Elago  
Enverga  
Erice  
Eriguel  
Ermita-Buhain  
Escudero  
Espino



Estrella  
Evardone  
Fariñas  
Fernando  
Ferrer (J.)  
Ferrer (L.)  
Ferriol-Pascual  
Flores  
Fortun  
Fortuno  
Garbin  
Garcia (G.)  
Garcia (J.E.)  
Garcia-Albano  
Gasataya  
Geron  
Go (A.C.)  
Go (M.)  
Gomez  
Gonzales (A.P.)  
Gonzales (A.D.)  
Gonzalez  
Gullas  
Hernandez  
Herrera-Dy  
Kho  
Khonghun  
Labadlabad  
Lacson  
Lagman  
Lanete  
Laogan  
Leachon  
Lee  
Limkaichong  
Lobregat  
Lopez (B.)  
Lopez (C.)  
Lopez (M.L.)  
Madrona  
Malapitan  
Manalo  
Mangaoang  
Mangudadatu (Z.)  
Marcoleta  
Mariño  
Marquez  
Martinez  
Matugas  
Mellana  
Mendoza  
Mercado  
Mirasol  
Montoro  
Nava  
Nieto  
Noel  
Nogralas (K.A.)  
Nolasco  
Oaminal  
Ong (E.)  
Ortega (P.)  
Ortega (V.N.)  
Pacquiao  
Paduano  
Palma  
Pancho  
Panganiban  
Panotes  
Papandayan  
Pichay  
Pimentel  
Pineda  
Plaza  
Primicias-Agabas  
Radaza  
Ramirez-Sato  
Ramos  
Revilla  
Roa-Puno  
Robes  
Rocamora  
Rodriguez (I.)  
Rodriguez (M.)  
Roman  
Roque  
Sacdalan  
Sagarbarria  
Sahali  
Salceda  
Salimbangon  
Salo  
Salon  
Sambar  
Sandoval  
Sangcopan  
Savellano  
Sema  
Silverio  
Singson  
Suansing (E.)  
Suarez  
Tambunting  
Tan (A.)  
Tan (M.)  
Teves  
Tiangco  
Ting  
Tinio  
Tugna  
Ty  
Unabia  
Ungab  
Unico  
Uy (R.)  
Vargas-Alfonso

Velarde  
Velasco  
Velasco-Catera  
Veloaso  
Vergara  
Villanueva  
Villarica  
Villarin  
Violago  
Yap (M.)  
Yap (V.)  
Yu  
Zamora (M.C.)  
Zarate

*Negative:*

None

*Abstention:*

None

With 213 affirmative votes, no negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

**REMARKS OF  
MAJORITY LEADER FARIÑAS**

Recognized by the Chair, Majority Leader Rodolfo C. Fariñas, as Chairperson of the *Ad-hoc* Committee and the House of Representatives Familiarization and Inspection Trips, informed the Body of Speaker Pantaleon D. Alvarez' project of bringing the Members all over the country to be familiarized firsthand on the actual conditions of the roads and highways. He said that this will help them report on the actual needs of their constituencies when the Executive submits its National Expenditure Program in July or August 2018.

Majority Leader Fariñas then reported that the first trip occurred in March 2017 starting from Manila and going to Davao through the West Nautical Highway and back to Manila using the Eastern Nautical Highway. He said that the second trip occurred in June 2017 for the Northern and Central Luzon Familiarization and Inspection Trip (NCLFIT) covering the provinces of Bulacan, Pangasinan, Tarlac, La Union, Ilocos Sur, Ilocos Norte, Cagayan, Isabela, Kalinga, Ifugao, Nueva Vizcaya, Pangasinan, and Zambales, as well as Baguio City.

At this point, Majority Leader Fariñas presented a video documentary on the NCLFIT's most recent familiarization and inspection trip which was

conducted from March 15-18, 2018. He said that it covered Northwestern Luzon or the provinces of Nueva Ecija, Aurora, Quirino, Nueva Vizcaya, and Tarlac as well as the City of Angeles.

Subsequently, he thanked Speaker Alvarez for providing leadership and vision; his colleagues for joining the caravan; the Members concerned for hosting the NCLFIT when it visited their constituencies; as well as the chairpersons of the House committees concerned, local and national officials, and heads of government agencies for coordinating the caravan and making the necessary preparations.

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

Thereafter, on an omnibus motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading the following House Bills calendared under the Business for Thursday and Friday, as contained in various Committee Reports and submitted by the Committees concerned; dispensed with the reading of the texts of the measures without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Notes of the Bills as the sponsorship remarks on the measures; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; approved the amendments as contained in the Committee Reports, if any, or as presented on the floor by Representative de Venecia; terminated the period of amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting:

1. House Bill No. 7293, as contained in Committee Report No. 635 and submitted by the Committees on Tourism, and Appropriations, declaring the Kaparkan Falls in Caganayan, Tineg, Abra an ecotourism site and establishing the Kaparkan Falls Development Council;
2. House Bill No. 7311, as contained in Committee Report No. 643 and submitted by the Committee on Local Government, creating Barangay Sta. Maria in Abra de Ilog, Occidental Mindoro;
3. House Bill No. 7345, as contained in Committee Report No. 647 and submitted by the Committees on Youth and Sports Development, and Appropriations, establishing the Zamboanga del Norte Sports Academy and Training Center in Gutalac, Zamboanga del Norte;

4. House Bill No. 7355, as contained in Committee Report No. 650 and submitted by the Committees on Health, and Appropriations, converting the Ziga Memorial District Hospital in Tabaco City, Albay into an extension hospital of the Bicol Regional Training and Teaching Hospital and increasing its bed capacity from fifty (50) to one hundred fifty (150) beds, to be known as the Dr. Lorenzo P. Ziga Memorial District Hospital;
5. House Bill No. 7363, as contained in Committee Report No. 652 and submitted by the Committee on Local Government, renaming Compostela Valley as Davao de Oro; and
6. House Bill No. 7386, as contained in Committee Report No. 664 and submitted by the Committee on Legislative Franchises, renewing for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to the Andres Bonifacio College Broadcasting System, Inc. under Republic Act No. 8120.

**RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5792 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1533**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered and subsequently ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 5792 and Senate Bill No. 1533, institutionalizing the Balik Scientist Program.

**SENATE TRANSMITTAL OF HOUSE BILLS**

On further motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to immediately transmit to the Senate, copies of the House Bills that had just been approved on Third Reading.

**RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 6782 AND SENATE BILL NO. 108**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered and subsequently ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 6782 and Senate Bill No. 108, declaring April 27 of every year a special nonworking holiday in the City of Lapu-Lapu, Province of Cebu, to commemorate the victory of Lapu-Lapu and his men over the Spaniards.

**DESIGNATION OF HOUSE CONFEREES ON HOUSE BILL NO. 6221 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1738**

Likewise, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body designated the following Members to the Conference Committee to reconcile the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 6221 and Senate Bill No. 1738, establishing the Filipino Identification System: Reps. Sol Aragones, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Arnolfo "Arnie" A. Teves Jr., Robert Ace S. Barbers, Dakila Carlo E. Cua, and Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.

**RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 6772 AND SENATE BILL NO. 1444**

On another motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered and subsequently ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 6772 and Senate Bill No. 1444, ensuring the preservation and management of protected areas, amending for the purpose Republic Act No. 7586 or the "National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992."

**RECOMMITMENT OF COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 632 ON HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1741**

Upon the request of the chairpersons of the Committees on Good Government and Public Accountability, and Energy, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved to recommit Committee Report No. 632 on House Resolution No. 1741, pursuant to House Resolution No. 1161, to the said Committees jointly.

**ADOPTION OF CERTAIN HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered the following House Resolutions; dispensed with the reading of the texts thereof without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House; and unanimously adopted the same:

1. House Resolution No. 1757, entitled: "RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BASIC EDUCATION SCHOOLS TO PRIORITIZE IN THEIR CONDUCT OF EDUCATIONAL FIELD TRIPS VIS-

ITS TO HISTORICAL SITES, LANDMARKS, AND MUSEUMS WITHIN THE PHILIPPINES”;

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the session was suspended at 5:19 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 5:20 p.m.

#### **ADOPTION OF CERTAIN HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

(Continuation)

2. House Resolution No. 1770, entitled: “RESOLUTION URGING PRESIDENT RODRIGO R. DUTERTE TO ISSUE A PROCLAMATION TRANSFERRING TO THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES (NHCP) THE OWNERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATION OVER A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT RIZAL PARK, ERMITA, MANILA, WHERE ITS OFFICE BUILDING HAS BEEN CONSTRUCTED”; and

#### **MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE DAZA**

Recognized by the Chair, Rep. Raul A. Daza moved to reconsider the adoption of House Resolution No. 1770 as he wanted to discuss a paragraph in said Resolution with the Majority Leader.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Daza as seconded by Representative de Venecia, the session was suspended at 5:21 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 5:24 p.m.

#### **REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE DE VENECIA**

Upon resumption of session, Representative de Venecia stated that the parliamentary status was that the Body had just adopted House Resolution No. 1770.

#### **WITHDRAWAL OF REPRESENTATIVE DAZA’S MOTION**

Thereupon, Representative Daza withdrew his previous motion, stating that the Majority Leader had informed him that the measure which was previously adopted was just a Resolution.

The Chair noted the manifestation of Representative Daza.

#### **ADOPTION OF CERTAIN HOUSE RESOLUTIONS**

(Continuation)

3. House Resolution No. 1793, entitled: “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE PHILIPPINE OLYMPIC COMMITTEE UNDER ITS NEW LEADERSHIP.”

#### **BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 663 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7385**

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7385, as contained in Committee Report No. 663 and submitted by the Committee on Legislative Franchises, renewing the franchise granted to Philippine Communications Satellite Corporation (PHILCOMSAT) to construct, install, maintain and operate in the Philippines ground satellite terminal stations for telecommunication with satellite facilities and delivery to common carriers; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note of the Bill as the sponsorship remarks on the measure, on motion of Rep. Franz E. Alvarez, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

#### **BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 614 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7193**

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7193, as

contained in Committee Report No. 614 and submitted by the Committees on Human Rights, and Appropriations, providing a framework for the right to adequate food and providing penalties for violation thereof; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; inserted into the Record the sponsorship speech of Rep. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Rights, upon the latter's motion; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:  
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 608  
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7180**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7180 as contained in Committee Report No. 608 and reported out by the Committee on Justice.

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

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO FATHER JULIAN C. MAZANA.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative de Venecia, 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 de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Tobias “Toby” M. Tiangco, one of the main authors of House Bill No. 7180, to sponsor the measure.

**SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF  
REPRESENTATIVE TIANGCO**

Upon the request of Representative Tiangco, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered the Explanatory Note of the Bill as the sponsorship speech on the measure.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Edcel C. Lagman for his interpellation.

**INTERPELLATION OF  
REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN**

Representative Lagman, after first stating that he would not object to the approval of the measure, said that he merely wanted to be consistent with his observation that the Committee on Justice and the House has not adopted policy standards under which foreigners can be granted Filipino citizenship.

Representative Tiangco agreed with his colleague on the need to harmonize existing laws such as Commonwealth Act (C.A.) No. 473 and Republic Act (R.A.) No. 9139 with the guidelines that Congress will formulate. Nevertheless, he explained how Fr. Mazana has complied with C.A. No. 473 and is not covered by R.A. No. 9139.

**REMARKS OF THE CHAIR**

At this point, the Chair informed the Members that he had debated with the chairperson of the Committee on Justice when Fr. Mazana's citizenship was being deliberated at the Committee level, because he believed that Congress could not grant citizenship merely on the basis of an application.

**INTERPELLATION OF  
REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN  
(Continuation)**

After Representative Tiangco confirmed the statement of the Chair, Representative Lagman thanked the latter for joining the call for policy directions and standards on the grant of Filipino citizenship.

**TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD  
OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE**

There being no other Member who wished to interpellate the Sponsor, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and thereafter proceeded to the period of amendments.

**TERMINATION OF THE  
PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no Committee and individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

## **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7180**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 7180 through *viva voce* voting.

## **BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 665 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7387**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7387 as contained in Committee Report No. 665 and reported out by the Committee on Justice.

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

“AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO KWOK HING CARLOS YEUNG.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative de Venecia, 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.

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Deputy Speaker Gwendolyn F. Garcia for her sponsorship speech.

## **SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF DEPUTY SPEAKER GARCIA (G.)**

Deputy Speaker Garcia relayed how Mr. Kwok Hing Carlos Yeung worked and lived for 40 years in the country, raised a family with his Cebuana wife, and became a successful businessman. She explained that because of his diverse businesses, he created employment opportunities for thousands of Filipinos and funded several programs and projects to help the poor. She concluded that he deserves to be a Filipino because of his good qualities.

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Representative Lagman for his interpellation.

## **INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN**

Representative Lagman first reiterated that he had no intention of derailing measures on citizenship, but that he would like to be consistent with the need for the Committee on Justice and the House to adopt policy guidelines and standards in the grant of Filipino citizenship. He thereafter inquired whether the Committee had acted accordingly, pursuant to his interpellation on February 21, 2018 on the proposed grant of citizenship to Mr. Phillip Leach.

Despite reading into the records the minimum standards on the legislative grant of Philippine citizenship as stated in the Internal Rules of Procedure of the Committee on Justice, Deputy Speaker Garcia joined Representative Lagman in calling for more stringent standards in accepting foreigners. She said that she was willing to be a coauthor of any measure thereon that Representative Lagman will file.

## **REMARKS OF THE CHAIR**

The Chair remarked that there was no need for legislation for an internal rule on the requirements for citizenship applicants. He said that the Committee on Justice's current internal rule thereon, would suffice.

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair next recognized Rep. Raul V. Del Mar for his manifestation.

## **MANIFESTATION OF REPRESENTATIVE DEL MAR**

Representative Del Mar expressed support for Representative Lagman's proposal for the adoption of policy standards on congressional grants of Philippine citizenship, stated that Mr. Yeung is his constituent and was worthy of such a grant, and requested that he be made a coauthor of the proposed measure.

## **ADDITIONAL COAUTHOR OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7387**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, and as concurred by Deputy Speaker Garcia (G.), there being no objection, the Body approved to include Representative Del Mar as additional coauthor of House Bill No. 7387.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE**

There being no other Member who wished to interpellate the Sponsor, on Representative de Venecia's motion, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and thereafter proceeded to the period of amendments.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no Committee or individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

### **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7387**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 7387 through *viva voce* voting.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 4 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 3988**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 3988 as embodied in Committee Report No. 4 and reported out by the Committee on Revision of Laws.

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

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONJUGAL PARTNERSHIP OF GAINS AS THE GOVERNING REGIME IN THE ABSENCE OF A MARRIAGE SETTLEMENT OR WHEN THE REGIME AGREED UPON IS VOID, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 75 OF TITLE IV OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, AS AMENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 227, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES.”

Representative de Venecia stated that the parliamentary status was that the Bill was in the period of

amendments; and upon his motion, the Chair recognized Deputy Speaker Garcia (G.), main author of House Bill No. 3988, to sponsor the same.

### **COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

Whereupon, pursuant to Section 104 of the Rules of the House, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body adopted the substitute bill, copies of which were earlier distributed to the Members, as an amendment to House Bill No. 3988.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no other Committee and no individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

### **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 3988, AS AMENDED**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 3988, as amended, via *viva voce* voting.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 582 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7033**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 7033 as embodied in Committee Report No. 582 and reported out by the Committee on Social Services, Appropriations, and Ways and Means.

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

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE SYSTEM FOR REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES AND ACCREDITATION OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.”

Representative de Venecia stated that the parliamentary status was that the Bill was in the period of amendments; and upon his motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Sandra Y. Eriguel, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor House Bill No. 7033.

## COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

Thereupon, pursuant to Section 104 of the Rules of the House, on motion of Representative Eriguel as adopted by Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body adopted the substitute bill, copies of which were earlier distributed to the Members, as an amendment to House Bill No. 7033.

## TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no other Committee and no individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

## APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7033, AS AMENDED

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 7033, as amended, via *viva voce* voting.

## ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved to include as additional coauthors of House Bills No. 7163, 7385, and 7386, all the Members contained in the pertinent lists to be submitted by the Committee on Rules.

## APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Considering that copies of Journal No. 77, dated March 20, 2018, had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading of said Journal and subsequently approved the same.

## BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 679 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7436

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7436, as contained in Committee Report No. 679 and reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, Public Works and Highways, and Appropriations.

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

“AN ACT ABOLISHING THE ROAD BOARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative de Venecia, 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.

## SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The session was suspended at 6:16 p.m., upon motion of Representative de Venecia.

## RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:17 p.m.

## SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7436

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 7436.

## ADOPTION OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 673

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body adopted the findings and recommendations contained in Committee Report No. 673, as submitted by the Committee on Tourism on the following measures: 1) House Resolution No. 1087, on the roadmap, programs, projects, and action plans of the Department of Tourism that aim to regulate tourist spots; and 2) House Resolution No. 1277, on the reported irresponsible dumping of wastewater by some establishments in Boracay Island.

## RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7436

Subsequently, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House



Bill No. 7436, as contained in Committee Report No. 679 and reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, Public Works and Highways, and Appropriations, entitled:

“AN ACT ABOLISHING THE ROAD BOARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794.”

The Chair then recognized Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, Chairperson of the Committee on Government Reorganization, for his sponsorship remarks.

#### **SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE ROMUALDO**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body approved to consider the Explanatory Note of the Bill as the sponsorship remarks on the measure.

#### **SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair suspended the session at 6:20 p.m.

#### **RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 6:24 p.m.

#### **SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7436**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 7436.

#### **BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 670 IN HOUSE BILL NO. 7163**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 7163, as embodied in Committee Report No. 670 and reported out by the Committee on Justice.

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

“AN ACT PENALIZING THE ACT OF THROWING HARD OBJECTS AT MOTOR VEHICLES.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative de Venecia, 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.

The Chair then recognized Rep. Eugene Michael B. De Vera, one of the authors of House Bill No. 7163, to defend the measure.

#### **SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE DE VERA**

Upon the request of Representative De Vera, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved to consider the Explanatory Note of the Bill as the sponsorship remarks on the measure.

#### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE**

There being no Member who wished to interpellate the Sponsor, on successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and thereafter proceeded to the period of amendments.

#### **PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no Committee amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to consider individual amendments.

#### **AMENDMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN**

As proposed by Representative Lagman and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved to include locomotives or trains in the coverage of the Bill, subject to style.

#### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no other individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

#### **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7163, AS AMENDED**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second

Reading House Bill No. 7163, as amended, through *viva voce* voting.

**ADDITIONAL COAUTHOR  
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7163**

On further motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved to include Representative Lagman as coauthor of House Bill No. 7163.

**RESUMPTION OF CONSIDERATION  
ON SECOND READING  
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7436**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 7436, as contained in Committee Report No. 679 and reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, Public Works and Highways, and Appropriations, entitled:

“AN ACT ABOLISHING THE ROAD BOARD AND PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER’S CHARGE COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794.”

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Representative Romualdo to continue with his sponsorship of the measure and Representative Lagman for his interpellation.

**INTERPELLATION OF  
REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN**

To Representative Lagman’s queries on the distribution of the Special Local Road Support Fund, Representative Romualdo clarified that 75% will be given to the district engineering offices (DEOs) while 25% will remain with the central office of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH). He also welcomed Representative Lagman’s suggestion to include a specific provision in the Bill on the intent to allocate such a percentage to the DPWH central office.

To Representative Lagman’s proposal to amend the fund shares to 85% for the DEOs and 15% for the central office, Representative Romualdo said that he had no problem therewith. Nevertheless, he asked for time to confer with the other Committee members on the matter.

**SUSPENSION OF SESSION**

On motion of Representative Romualdo, the Chair suspended the session at 6:36 p.m.

**RESUMPTION OF SESSION**

The session resumed at 6:42 p.m.

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Celso L. Lobregat, Chairperson of the Committee on Public Works and Highways, to sponsor the measure.

**INTERPELLATION OF  
REPRESENTATIVE LAGMAN  
(Continuation)**

Representative Lobregat stated that after conferring with the Committees on Government Reorganization, and Public Works and Highways, Representative Lagman had agreed to terminate his interpellation and to join the Sponsors at the proper time in introducing some perfecting amendments to the instant Bill.

**TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD  
OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE**

There being no other interpellations, on successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and thereafter proceeded to the period of amendments.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved the Committee amendments as presented on the floor by Representatives Lobregat and Romualdo.

There being no other Committee amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the individual amendments.

**TERMINATION OF THE  
PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no Member who wished to introduce individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF  
HOUSE BILL NO. 7436, AS AMENDED**

Thereafter, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 7436, as amended, through *viva voce* voting.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING  
OF CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS**

On successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading the following House Bills calendared under the Business for the Day, as contained in various Committee Reports and submitted by the Committees concerned; dispensed with the reading of the texts thereof without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Notes as the sponsorship remarks on the measures, as requested by the Sponsors concerned; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; approved the amendments as contained in the Committee Reports or as presented on the floor, if any; terminated the period of amendments; and approved the same on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting:

1. House Bill No. 7260, as contained in Committee Report No. 627 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Appropriations, declaring February four of every year as the “Philippine-American War Memorial Day”;
2. House Bill No. 7309, as contained in Committee Report No. 641 and submitted by the Committees on Justice, and Appropriations, creating the positions for judges-at-large, amending Batas Pambansa (B.P.) Bilang 129 or the “Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980”;
3. House Bill No. 7365, as contained in Committee Report No. 653 and submitted by the Committees on Justice, and Appropriations, creating four (4) Regional Trial Court (RTC) branches in San Pablo City, Laguna;
4. House Bill No. 7366, as contained in Committee Report No. 654 and submitted by the Committees on Justice, and Appropriations, creating four (4) additional RTC

branches in the National Capital Judicial Region in Caloocan City;

5. House Bill No. 7367 as contained in Committee Report No. 655 and submitted by the Committees on Justice, and Appropriations, creating two (2) additional RTC branches and one (1) additional branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities (MTCC) in the Fourth Judicial Region in Santa Rosa City, Laguna;
6. House Bill No. 7405 as contained in Committee Report No. 669 and submitted by the Committees on Justice, and Appropriations, creating two (2) additional MTCC branches for Biñan City;
7. House Bill No. 5236 as contained in Committee Report No. 659 and submitted by the Committee on Public Order and Safety, providing for the rank classification in the Philippine National Police, amending the “Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990”;
8. House Bill No. 7392 as contained in Committee Report No. 667 and submitted by the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, Higher and Technical Education, and Appropriations, institutionalizing the Alternative Learning System in the basic education for out-of-school children, youth and adults, persons with disabilities, indigenous peoples, and marginalized sectors of society;
9. House Bill No. 7422 as contained in Committee Report No. 671 and submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education, mandating the integration of the National Building Code of the Philippines as one of the major subjects in the Bachelor of Science courses in Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Sanitary Engineering and Architecture, and its inclusion in the licensure examinations for these courses; and
10. House Bill No. 7321 as contained in Committee Report No. 644 and submitted by the Committee on Information and Communications Technology, establishing the “No Call and No Text Registration” System.

## REFERRAL OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS ON INQUIRIES IN AID OF LEGISLATION

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body referred the following House Resolutions to the appropriate Committees hereunder indicated:

1. House Resolution No. 1751, on the cause of interruption in the water supply of Maynilad – to the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization;
2. House Resolution No. 1752, on the death of Ifugao environmental activist Ricardo Pugong Mayumi and the worsening attacks against indigenous peoples around the country – to the Committee on Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples;
3. House Resolution No. 1753, on the current policies of the Department of Education in relation to the private loans of teachers and personnel, including the status of its automatic payroll deduction system and the accreditation process for private lending institutions and the implementation of the net take-home pay provision of the General Appropriations Act – to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture;
4. House Resolution No. 1754, on the lack of government intervention on the worsening crop infestation in several parts of Eastern Visayas, and to recommend measures that will address the situation of the affected peasant families – to the Committee on Agriculture and Food;
5. House Resolution No. 1756, on the present state of Bangon Marawi Comprehensive Rehabilitation and Recovery Program as mandated by Administrative Order No. 3, as amended – to the Committee on Public Works and Highways;
6. House Resolution No. 1759, on the non-implementation of the provisions of R.A. No. 4670 or the Magna Carta for Public School Teachers on free compulsory medical examination and treatment and compensation for injuries – to the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Higher and Technical Education;

7. House Resolution No. 1760, on the lack of intelligence by the Philippine National Police which led to the siege of Marawi City – to the Committee on Public Order and Safety; and
8. House Resolution No. 1761, on the possible irregularities in the use of funds by the Department of Social Welfare and Development, particularly in Region X such as but not limited to the Second District of Misamis Occidental, in the implementation of social services programs – to the Committee on Good Government and Public Accountability.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 621 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 7233

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body resumed consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 7233 as contained in Committee Report No. 621 and reported out by the Committee on Information and Communications Technology.

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

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE REGISTRATION OF ALL USERS OF SUBSCRIBER IDENTITY MODULE CARDS.”

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Victor A. Yap, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor the measure, and Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago for her interpellation.

## INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

Representative Elago discussed with Representative Yap (V.) the mechanics and guidelines of the proposed registration of subscriber identity module (SIM) cards and its primary purpose to deter crime. The former expressed apprehension that it could give access to sensitive and personal information, be used for surveillance purposes, and result in more nefarious and fraudulent activities. The latter stressed that the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) would provide mechanisms to ensure the safety and integrity of registered SIM cards and that the right to privacy is enshrined in the Constitution.

Thereupon, Representative Elago asked the proponents of the Bill to ensure that the citizen's right to privacy is preserved and protected.

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair next recognized Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate for his interpellation.

### **INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ZARATE**

To Representative Zarate's questions on the objectives of the Bill, Representative Yap (V.) stated that it would help the State reduce crime. He clarified that the public should first file a complaint about the fraudulent or criminal use of SIM cards before the State can enforce the law; and that the instant Bill had nothing to do with the proposed national identification system.

After exchanging views with the Sponsor about the Bill's safeguards and limitations as regards commercial and roaming subscriptions as well as SIM cards purchased abroad, Representative Zarate expressed his apprehension about the possible breach of information and commission of other crimes upon the implementation of the Bill. He added that with the advent of information technology, Congress should craft measures to protect the right to privacy.

On motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair subsequently recognized Rep. Ariel "Ka Ayik" B. Casilao for his interpellation.

### **INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE CASILAO**

After saying that he did not see the logic of the Bill because one can buy multiple SIM cards and provide multiple identities and information, Representative Casilao asked if card registration will entail additional costs to consumers. Even as he replied in the negative and pointed out that this safeguard can be included in the implementing rules and regulations of the Bill, Representative Yap (V.) said that he could not promise that the cost of SIM cards themselves will not increase.

Representative Casilao then expressed concern about the right to privacy; protection of information; abandonment by some countries of the card registration system and the use thereof for surveillance activities; and the continuous upgrading of

communication devices which will render SIM cards obsolete.

The Sponsor stressed that the DICT and National Telecommunications Commission have the capacity to maintain and protect personal information; and that the former had existing data centers.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE**

There being no other Member who wished to interpellate on the Bill, on successive motions of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; and thereafter proceeded to the period of amendments.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS**

There being no Committee and individual amendments, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

### **APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7233**

On motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 7233 through *viva voce* voting.

### **ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS**

On further motion of Representative de Venecia, 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 Report which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

#### **COMMITTEE REPORT**

Report by the Committee on Justice (Committee Report No. 686), re H.R. No. 1802, entitled:

**"RESOLUTION SETTING FORTH THE ARTICLES OF IMPEACHMENT AGAINST SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE MA. LOURDES P.A. SERENO"**

recommending its adoption, together with the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the Committee in the matter of the Impeachment Proceedings against Supreme Court Chief Justice Ma. Lourdes P.A. Sereno.

Sponsors: Representatives Umali, Fariñas, Garcia (G.), Veloso, Leachon, Oaminal, Fuentebella, Revilla, De Vera, Gonzaga, Marcoleta, Gonzales (A.D.), Bravo (A.) and Garbin

#### **CONDUCT OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND HEARINGS DURING THE RECESS**

In accordance with the Rules of the House, on motion of Representative de Venecia, there being no objection, the Body approved to authorize all committees to conduct meetings or public hearings, if deemed necessary, during the House recess from March 24 to May 13, 2018.

#### **ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION**

Thereafter, on motion of Majority Leader Fariñas, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, May 15, 2018.

It was 8:54 p.m.

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I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

(Sgd.) **ATTY. CESAR STRAIT PAREJA**  
Secretary General

Approved on May 15, 2018.

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

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

\* Appeared after the Roll Call

\*\* On official mission

\*\*\* Attending meetings of CA/HRET/Conference Committee/Committee meetings authorized by Committee on Rules

\*\*\*\* Officially notified the House, through the Secretariat, of their absence

\*\*\*\*\* Absent without notice

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