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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.

**DEFERMENT OF THE ROLL CALL
AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL**

On successive motions of Representative Gerald Anthony “Samsam” V. Gullas Jr., there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll and the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Gullas, 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 Committee Report, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 5726, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE CENTER FOR DIABETES AND ENDOCRINOLOGY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 5727, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE HEALTHCARE SYSTEM IN CULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES BY INSTITUTIONALIZING THE TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF TRIBAL HEALTH WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

House Bill No. 5728, entitled:

“AN ACT ENSURING THE RIGHTS, WELFARE AND SAFETY OF THE WORKERS IN THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND BUSINESS PROCESS OUTSOURCING (IT-BPO) INDUSTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 5729, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING A PHILIPPINE LABOR FORCE COMPETENCIES COMPETITIVENESS PROGRAM, AND ESTABLISHING FREE ACCESS TO TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING PROGRAMS”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5730, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REVITALIZATION AND ADVANCEMENT OF ORIGINAL FILIPINO MUSIC AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5731, entitled:

“AN ACT SYNCHRONIZING THE OPENING OF ALL CLASSES IN ALL SCHOOLS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 5732, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MAIMBUNG MUNICIPAL PORT LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAIMBUNG, PROVINCE OF SULU INTO A PORT AUTHORITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MAIMBUNG PORT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Tan (S.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 5733, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING AS AGRICULTURAL LAND CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN SITUATED WITHIN SURIGAO CITY, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE”

By Representative Matugas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 5734, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE TINAGO FALLS AND ITS PREMISES LOCATED IN LINAMON, LANA DEL NORTE PROVINCE AS A TOURIST SPOT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5735, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MINDANAO CIVIC CENTER LOCATED IN TUBOD, LANA DEL NORTE PROVINCE AS A SPORTS TOURISM DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5736, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MAN-MADE LAKE AND ITS PREMISES LOCATED IN BALO-I LANA DEL NORTE PROVINCE AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5737, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PAGAYAWAN FALLS AND ITS PREMISES LOCATED IN BACOLOD, LANA DEL NORTE PROVINCE AS A TOURIST SPOT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5738, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MIGHTY CAVE PARK AND ITS PREMISES LOCATED IN TAGOLOAN, LANA DEL NORTE PROVINCE AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 5739, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING SAN ISIDRO BARANGAY HIGH SCHOOL AT BARANGAY SAN ISIDRO, CITY OF VALENCIA, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Roque (R.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5740, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIELD OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON MUSLIM FILIPINOS TO BE LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TUBOD, LANA DEL NORTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Dimaporo (M.K.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON MUSLIM AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 5741, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10173, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'DATA PRIVACY ACT OF 2012', TO ADOPT A MORE SYSTEMATIC, COMPREHENSIVE AND EFFECTIVE PROTECTION PROGRAM, TO FOSTER THE IMPOSITION OF ALL EXISTING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES, INCREASING ITS PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 5742, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8047, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'BOOK PUBLISHING INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ACT' TO ADOPT A MORE SYSTEMATIC, COMPREHENSIVE AND EFFECTIVE FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A NATIONAL BOOK POLICY AND A NATIONAL BOOK DEVELOPMENT PLAN, PROVIDING STIFFER PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Romero

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 5743, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD TRAVERSING BARANGAYS SAN JOSE, BITAG PEQUEÑO, MOCAG AND MABINI, ALL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAGGAO, CAGAYAN, GOING TO BARANGAY NANGUILATTAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PEÑABLANCA, CAGAYAN INTO A NATIONAL ROAD, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR ITS IMPROVEMENT, MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION”

By Representative Nolasco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1020, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PERFORMANCE OF THE VETERANS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER (VMMC) AS THE PRIMARY MEDICAL FACILITY FOR THE HOSPITALIZATION AND MEDICAL CARE OF ELIGIBLE VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS WITH

THE END VIEW OF CHARTING IMMEDIATE POLICY MEASURES AND/OR REPORT SUBSTANTIAL RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WILL SECURE AND PROMOTE THE HEALTH CARE OF MILITARY VETERANS AND RETIREES IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Acop

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1021, entitled:

“RESOLUTION TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA) THROUGH THE BUREAU OF SOILS AND WATER MANAGEMENT AND THE DA-CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION (DA-CAR) TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON WHY THE SWEET POTATOES IN MOUNTAIN PROVINCE AND OTHER PARTS OF NORTH LUZON ARE SLOWLY DIMINISHING”

By Representative Dalog

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1022, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION FOR THE CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY ON THE STATUS OF THE PPP SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT (PSIP) PHASE II”

By Representatives Dalog and Cosalan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1023, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE RECENT MILITARIZATION, AND HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS ON THE COMMUNITIES OF BRGY. DOMINGA, CALINAN DISTRICT DAVAO CITY, ALLEGEDLY PERPETRATED BY ELEMENTS OF AFP 3RD INFANTRY BATALION”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1024, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE UTILIZATION OF THE P50-BILLION INFORMAL SETTLERS' FUND OR THE BUDGET FOR THE AQUINO ADMINISTRATION'S RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM FOR ISF LIVING IN DANGER ZONES IN METRO MANILA”

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

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1025, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CASES OF DEATH AND ABUSES COMMITTED AGAINST OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS IN KUWAIT WITH THE VIEW OF PROTECTING FURTHER THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF FILIPINO WORKERS ABROAD”

By Representatives De Jesus, Brosas, Zarate, Tinio, Casilao and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1026, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FIVE (5) DECADE OLD PROBLEMS ON HOUSING FACED BY RESIDENTS OF SITIO 6, CATMON IN MALABON CITY”

By Representatives Brosas, De Jesus, Zarate, Tinio, Casilao and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1027, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DEVIOUS SCHEME OF COMPELLING URBAN POOR RESIDENTS IN SITIO 6 CATMON MALABON CITY TO ENGAGE IN THE COMMUNITY MORTGAGE PROGRAM (CMP) AND THREATENING THEIR LIVES AND LIBERTY”

By Representatives Brosas, De Jesus, Zarate, Tinio, Casilao and Elago

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1028, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST MANNER THE ACTS OF TERROR PERPETRATED AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF MARAWI CITY BY THE MAUTE TERRORIST GROUP AS WELL AS TO URGE THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE INCIDENT TO PROPOSE REMEDIAL LEGISLATION TO STRENGTHEN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES INVOLVED IN THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE COUNTRY AND PREVENT THE INCIDENT FROM RECURRING AND/OR EXPANDING IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY”

By Representative Alejano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1029, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SUDDEN TERMINATION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES OF THE PLANS FOR THE MODERNIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT, OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF THE NEW BOHOL (PANGLAO), DAVAO, ILOILO, LAGUINDINGAN AND BACOLOD AIRPORTS UNDER THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP SCHEME”

By Representative Tiangco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

With the permission of the Body, the following Members were made coauthors of the Bills and Resolutions hereunder indicated:

Reps. Randolph S. Ting, Napoleon S. Dy, Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D., Lianda B. Bolilia, Leopoldo N. Bataoil, Alfredo A. Garbin Jr., Teodoro "Ted" G. Montoro, Suharto T. Mangudadatu, Jerry P. Treñas, Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc, Frederick W. Siao, Estrellita B. Suansing, Mercedes K. Alvarez, Enrico A. Pineda, Tricia Nicole Q. Velasco-Catera, Abraham "Bambol" N. Tolentino, Lorna P. Bautista-Bandigan, and Divina Grace C. Yu for House Bills No. 2622 and 2624;

Reps. Ma. Lourdes R. Aggabao and Ana Cristina Siquian Go for House Bill No. 1988;

Rep. Salvador B. Belaro Jr. for House Bills No. 187, 335, 1008, 2622, 2624, 4742, 5383, 5569, 5595 and 5603;

Rep. Gus S. Tambunting for House Bills No. 2622, 2624, 4742, 5298, 5334, and 5382 and House Resolution No. 988;

Reps. Isagani S. Amatong, Jose Carlos L. Cari, Wilter "Sharky" Wee Palma II, Ma. Theresa V. Colantes, and Abraham "Bambol" N. Tolentino for House Bill No. 177;

Rep. Joaquin M. Chipeco Jr. for House Bill No. 193;

Rep. Geraldine B. Roman for House Bills No. 192, 193, 194, 1301, 1302, 1563, 2330, 2622, 2624, 3771, and 4603;

Rep. Gwendolyn F. Garcia for House Bill No. 5382;

Rep. Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe for House Bills No. 449, 1703, and 5630;

Rep. Maria Vida Espinosa Bravo for House Bills No. 1200 and 1303;

Rep. Noel L. Villanueva for House Bills No. 4223 and 4585;

Rep. Emmeline Aglipay-Villar for House Bill No. 1530;

Rep. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto for House Bills No. 1875, 4500, 4786, 5297, 5298, and 5503;

Rep. Edward Vera Perez Maceda for House Bills No. 2622, 2624, 5515, 5563, 5566, 5591, 5595, 5603, 5604, 5630, 5634, 5642, and 5645;

Rep. Christopher "Toff" Vera Perez De Venecia for House Bills No. 187 and 1396;

Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo for House Bill No. 1584;

Rep. Gary C. Alejano for House Bills No. 113, 114, 158, 396, 397, 446, 714, 1280, 1374, 1423, 1579, 1829, 1976, 2856, 3349, 3854, 3926, 4788, 4863, 5085, and 5567;

Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma for House Bills No. 2627, 2628, 5015, 5066, 5067, and 5068;

Rep. Florida "Rida" P. Robes for House Resolution No. 244;

Rep. Jose "Pingping" I. Tejada for House Bill No. 3118;

Rep. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate for House Resolutions No. 906, 907, and 908;

Rep. Tom S. Villarín for House Bill No. 1280;

Rep. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte for House Bills No. 4106, 4462, and 4742;

Rep. Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon for House Bills No. 3 and 349;

Rep. Jericho Jonas B. Nograles for House Bill No. 2628;

Rep. Raul A. Daza for House Bills No. 2622, 2624, and 2627;

Rep. Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas for House Bills No. 2192, 2622, 5630, and 5709;

Reps. Rolando "Klarex" A. Uy, Aniceto "John" D. Bertiz III, Federico "Ricky" S. Sandoval II, Rodrigo A. Abellanos, and Luis "Jon-Jon" A. Ferrer IV for House Bills No. 2627 and 2628;

Reps. Edcel C. Lagman and Ron P. Salo for House Bill No. 2627;

Rep. Abdullah D. Dimaporo for House Bills No. 2193, 2627, and 2628;

Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo for House Bills No. 2193 and 2628;

Rep. Mark Aeron H. Sambar for House Bill No. 2192;

Rep. Alberto T. Ungab for House Bills No. 2192, 2193, 2622, 2624, 2627, and 2628;

Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza for House Bills No. 2192, 2193, 2627, and 2628;

Rep. Lucy T. Gomez for House Bills No. 2192, 2193, 2627, and 2628;

Reps. Cheryl P. Deloso-Montalla and Henry C. Ong for House Bills No. 2192 and 2193;

Rep. Emmanuel F. Madrona for House Bills No. 2192, 2193, 2627, and 2628;

Reps. Mauyag "Jun" B. Papandayan Jr., Johnny Ty Pimentel, Franz E. Alvarez, and Orestes T. Salon for House Bills No. 2622, 2624, 2627, and 2628; and

Reps. Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc, Arthur R. Defensor Jr., Roger G. Mercado, Ann K. Hofer, Vincent "Bingbong" P. Crisologo, Aurelio "Dong" D. Gonzales Jr., Victoria Isabel G. Noel, Gerald Anthony "Samsam" V. Gullas Jr., Arnel U. Ty, Alexandria P. Gonzales, Johnny Ty Pimentel, Marlyn B. Alonte, Oscar "Richard" S. Garin Jr., Christopher "Toff" Vera Perez De Venecia, Benhur B. Lopez Jr., Vini Nola A. Ortega, Jose Enrique "Joet" S. Garcia III, Ron P. Salo, Salvador B. Belaro Jr., Bernadette "BH" Herrera-Dy, Cristina "Chiqui" Roa-Puno, Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas, Jose L. Atienza Jr., Alfredo A. Garbin Jr., Eugene Michael B. De Vera, Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D., H. Harry L. Roque Jr., Luis Jose Angel N. Campos Jr., and Harlin Neil J. Abayon III for House Bill No. 5686.

WITHDRAWAL OF COAUTHORSHIP

Rep. Antonio L. Tinio withdrew his coauthorship of House Bill No. 5707.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 273), re H.B. No. 5784, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE FOR ALL FILIPINOS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 1995' ”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 225, 1975, 5120 and 5560

Sponsors: Representatives Tan (A.), Roque (H.), Santos-Recto, Salo, Arenas, Escudero, Deloso-Montalla, Ramirez-Sato, Suansing (E.), Noel and Lee

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message dated May 30, 2017, informing the House of Representatives that the Senate on even date passed Senate Bill No. 1468, entitled:

“AN ACT DESIGNATING CASINOS AS COVERED PERSONS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT OF 2001’. AS AMENDED.”

in which it requests the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereafter, the session was suspended at 4:09 p.m., upon motion of Rep. Vini Nola A. Ortega.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 4:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Gullas, 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
Acosta-Alba
Advincula
Agarao
Aggabao
Aglipay-Villar
Albano
Alejano
Almario
Almonte
Alonte
Alvarez (F.)
Alvarez (P.)
Amante
Amatong
Antonino
Antonio
Aragones
Arbison
Arcillas
Arenas
Atienza
Bagatsing
Banal
Barzaga
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Biazon
Billones
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama

Cari
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Castro (F.H.)
Cayetano
Celeste
Cerafica
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Co
Cojuangco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Cua
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
De Jesus
De Venecia
De Vera
Defensor
Del Mar
Del Rosario
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Duavit
Durano
Dy
Elago
Erice
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Espino
Estrella
Evardone
Ferrer (J.)
Ferrer (L.)
Flores
Fortun
Fortuno
Fuentebella
Garbin
Garcia (G.)
Garcia (J.E.)
Garcia-Albano
Garin (R.)
Gasataya
Geron
Go (A.C.)
Go (M.)
Gomez
Gonzaga
Gonzales (A.D.)
Gullas
Herrera-Dy
Hofer
Javier
Khonghun
Labadlabad
Lacson
Lagman
Lanete
Laogan
Lazatin
Leachon
Limkaichong
Lopez (B.)
Lopez (C.)
Lopez (M.L.)
Madrona
Malapitan
Manalo
Mangaoang
Mangudadatu (S.)
Marcos
Mariño
Marquez
Martinez
Mercado
Mirasol
Montoro
Nava
Nieto
Noel
Nogralas (K.A.)
Nolasco
Oaminal
Olivarez
Ong (E.)
Ortega (P.)
Ortega (V.N.)
Pacquiao
Paduano
Palma
Pancho
Panganiban
Panotes
Papandayan
Pichay
Pimentel
Pineda
Primicias-Agabas
Quimbo
Radaza
Ramirez-Sato
Ramos

Relampagos
 Revilla
 Roa-Puno
 Rocamora
 Rodriguez (I.)
 Rodriguez (M.)
 Romualdo
 Roque (H.)
 Roque (R.)
 Sacdalan
 Sagarbarria
 Salceda
 Salimbangon
 Salo
 Salon
 Sambar
 Sandoval
 Sarmiento (E.M.)
 Savellano
 Sema
 Siao
 Singson
 Suansing (E.)
 Suansing (H.)
 Suarez
 Sy-Alvarado
 Tambunting
 Tan (M.)
 Tejada
 Ting
 Tinio
 Tugna
 Tupas
 Ty
 Umali
 Unabia
 Ungab
 Unico
 Uy (J.)
 Uy (R.)
 Uybarreta
 Vargas
 Vargas-Alfonso
 Velasco-Catera
 Veloso
 Vergara
 Villafuerte
 Villanueva
 Villaraza-Suarez
 Villarin
 Violago
 Yap (M.)
 Yu
 Zamora (M.C.)
 Zamora (R.)
 Zubiri

With 218 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See also Appendix 1)

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1015

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the adoption of House Resolution No. 1015 as contained in Committee Report No. 257 and reported out by the Committee on Justice, entitled; “RESOLUTION DISMISSING THE VERIFIED COMPLAINT FOR IMPEACHMENT AND THE SUPPLEMENTAL COMPLAINT-AFFIDAVIT FILED BY REP. GARY C. ALEJANO AGAINST PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE.”

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
 Abu
 Abueg
 Acharon
 Acop
 Acosta
 Acosta-Alba
 Advincula
 Agarao
 Aggabao
 Albano
 Almario
 Almonte
 Alonte
 Alvarez (F.)
 Amante
 Amatong
 Angara-Castillo
 Antonino
 Antonio
 Aragones
 Arbison
 Arcillas
 Arenas
 Atienza
 Bagatsing
 Banal

Barbers
Barzaga
Bataoil
Bautista-Bandigan
Belaro
Belmonte (F.)
Belmonte (J.C.)
Bertiz
Biazon
Billones
Biron
Bolilia
Bondoc
Bordado
Bravo (A.)
Bravo (M.V.)
Brosas
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto-Rubiano
Caminero
Campos
Canama
Cari
Castelo
Castro (F.L.)
Cayetano
Cerafica
Cerilles
Chavez
Chipeco
Co
Cojuangco
Collantes
Cortes
Cortuna
Cosalan
Crisologo
Cua
Cuaresma
Cueva
Dalipe
De Jesus
De Venecia
De Vera
Defensor
Deloso-Montalla
Dimaporo (A.)
Dimaporo (M.K.)
Duavit
Durano
Dy
Elago
Eriguel
Ermita-Buhain
Escudero
Estrella
Evardone
Ferrer (J.)
Ferrer (L.)
Flores
Fortun
Fortuno
Garbin
Garcia (G.)
Garcia (J.E.)
Garcia-Albano
Garin (R.)
Gasataya
Gatchalian
Geron
Go (A.C.)
Go (M.)
Gonzaga
Gonzales (A.D.)
Gullas
Herrera-Dy
Hofer
Javier
Khonghun
Labadlabad
Lacson
Lanete
Laogan
Lazatin
Leachon
Limkaichong
Lopez (B.)
Lopez (C.)
Lopez (M.L.)
Loyola
Maceda
Madrona
Malapitan
Manalo
Mangaoang
Mangudadatu (S.)
Marcos
Mariño
Marquez
Martinez
Mendoza
Mercado
Mirasol
Montoro
Nava
Noel
Nolasco
Oaminal
Ocampo
Olivarez

Ong (E.)
 Ortega (P.)
 Ortega (V.N.)
 Pacquiao
 Paduano
 Palma
 Pancho
 Panganiban
 Panotes
 Papandayan
 Pichay
 Pimentel
 Pineda
 Plaza
 Primicias-Agabas
 Radaza
 Ramirez-Sato
 Ramos
 Relampagos
 Revilla
 Roa-Puno
 Robes
 Rocamora
 Rodriguez (I.)
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 Villaraza-Suarez
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 Yap (M.)
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 Zamora (M.C.)
 Zamora (R.)
 Zarate
 Zubiri

Negative:

Alejano
 Baguilat
 Lagman
 Villarin

Abstention:

None

With 217 affirmative votes, four negative votes, and no abstentions, the Body adopted House Resolution No. 1015, dismissing the verified complaint for impeachment and the supplemental complaint-affidavit filed by Rep. Alejano against President Duterte.

MANIFESTATIONS OF SEVERAL MEMBERS TO EXPLAIN THEIR VOTE

During the voting, Rep. Edcel C. Lagman manifested his desire to submit a written explanation of his negative vote; and Reps. Carlos Isagani T. Zarate and Gary C. Alejano also manifested their desire to explain their affirmative and negative votes, respectively.

Thereupon, the Chair recognized Rep. Lagman for a point of information.

POINT OF INFORMATION OF REP. LAGMAN

Rep. Lagman pointed out that Section 118, Rule XV of the amended Provisional Rules of the House provided that during nominal voting, a Member had three minutes to explain his vote immediately after casting the same but that in the case of measures for approval on Third Reading, he may do so only after the Secretary General will have announced the voting result. He concluded that in the voting on House Resolution No. 1015, a Member could explain his vote immediately after casting his vote.

With the permission of the Chair, Rep. Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc agreed with Rep. Lagman and said that Section 118 did not disenfranchise any Member from his desire to explain his vote. He then declared that it was time to give the Members a chance to explain their vote.

Rep. Lagman reiterated that under the aforementioned Section, a Member was entitled to explain his vote immediately after casting it. He explained that such a procedure would allow his colleagues to appreciate his explanation of vote before they cast their own votes.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

The Chair opined that the explanation of vote shall come after the announcement of the voting result. He observed that Members who reserved to explain their vote after casting their vote, had not stood up to claim the reservation. He added that in allowing the Members a chance to explain their votes after the announcement of the results, Section 118 will have been complied with.

EXPLANATIONS OF VOTE

The following Members then explained their votes:

1. Rep. Alejano cast a negative vote on behalf of the Magdalo Party-List. He stressed that President Duterte was guilty of betraying the public trust and of the culpable violation of the Constitution, bribery, graft and corruption, and other high crimes; and cited specific instances as proof thereof. He further stressed that his party-list will continue to be critical of the President and his actions and will find other venues to seek justice and accountability for the thousands of Filipinos murdered under his administration; and

2. Rep. Zarate stressed that the Makabayan bloc will continue to condemn and seek investigations on extrajudicial killings under the anti-illegal drugs campaign. He however said that he was voting for the Resolution because the President's impeachment went against their stand to give the peace talks between the government and National Democratic Front a chance to succeed as it will result in socio-economic and political reform.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Thereupon, Rep. Gullas acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of guests of Reps. Jose Enrique "Joet" S. Garcia III, Emi G. Calixto-Rubiano, Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D., Rico B. Geron, Sabiniano S. Canama, Emmi A. De Jesus, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Antonio L. Tinio, France L. Castro, Arlene D. Brosas, and Jorge "Bolet" Banal.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 248 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5682

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 5682 as contained in Committee Report No. 248 and reported out by the Committee on Cooperatives Development.

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

"AN ACT MAKING THE POSITION OF A CO-OPERATIVE OFFICER MANDATORY IN THE MUNICIPAL, CITY AND PROVINCIAL LEVELS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991."

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Rep. Gullas, 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 Rep. Gullas, the Chair recognized Rep. Rico B. Geron, Chairperson of the Committee on Cooperatives Development, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REP. GERON

Rep. Geron said that the instant Bill was co-authored by the champions of the cooperatives sector, namely, Reps. Anthony M. Bravo, Ph.D., Sabiniano S.

Canama, Roy M. Loyola, Carlito S. Marquez, and Estrellita B. Suansing. He described the role and impact of cooperatives not only in rural but urban areas and cited the mandate of the State under the Constitution and Local Government Code to foster their creation and growth so that they can help attain socioeconomic development and justice in the country. He said that cooperative officers, without requiring direct financial assistance from local government units, will be able to help in local governance.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5682**

On successive motions of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved House Bill No. 5682 on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 249
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5685**

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 5685 as contained in Committee Report No. 249 and reported out by the Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs.

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

“AN ACT INSTITUTING THE MAGNA CARTA OF FILIPINO SEAFARERS.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Rep. Gullas, 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 Rep. Christopher “Toff” Vera Perez De Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Emmi A. De Jesus, Chairperson of the Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REP. DE JESUS

Rep. De Jesus initially said that the Bill, which was previously filed in the previous Congress, was a commitment of the Philippine government under the Maritime Labour Convention of 2006 that aimed to ensure decent work opportunities for seafarers all over the world.

She thereafter stressed that the measure covered Filipinos employed on board Philippine-registered ships operating domestically or internationally as well as those on board foreign-registered ships; and provided for the basic rights of seafarers with respect to just terms and conditions of work and employment.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5685**

Thereupon, on successive motions of Rep. De Venecia, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments; and approved House Bill No. 5685 on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 250
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5686**

On successive motions of Rep. De Venecia, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 5686 calendared under the Business for the Day, as contained in Committee Report No. 250 and reported out by the Committee on Revision of Laws, declaring July 27 of every year a special national nonworking holiday, amending for the purpose Republic Act (RA) No. 9645; dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; adopted the Explanatory Note as the sponsorship remarks on the measure upon request of Committee on Revision of Laws Chairperson Marlyn L. Primicias-Agabas; 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. 258
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5707**

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 5707 as contained in Committee Report No. 258 and reported out by the Committees on Government Reorganization, and Appropriations.

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

“AN ACT RIGHTSIZING THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO IMPROVE PUBLIC SERVICE DELIVERY.”

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, on motion of Rep. Gullas, 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.

Subsequently, on motion of Rep. Gullas, the Chair recognized Rep. Virgilio S. Lacson, Chairperson of the Committee on Government Reorganization, for his sponsorship speech.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REP. LACSON

Rep. Lacson emphasized that the measure, which was a consolidation of bills authored by Reps. Karlo Alexei B. Nograles, Jericho Jonas B. Nograles, Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, Joel Mayo Z. Almario, and Ferdinand L. Hernandez, aimed to improve public service delivery by minimizing the duplication and redundancy of functions. He said that rightsizing was not an easy task considering the vastness and complexity of government offices, thousands of government employees, and difficulty of designing an organizational structure in the context of good governance, improved public service, and fiscal prudence. He stressed that the measure was not about forced retirement, separation of personnel, or an early retirement program, but a review of the core mandate and functions of government agencies to improve public service delivery.

Rep. Lacson thereafter appealed to the Members to support House Bill No. 5707.

POINT OF ORDER OF REP. CASTRO (F.L.)

Upon recognition by the Chair, Rep. France L. Castro cited Section 53 of the Rules of the House which stated that measures could be considered on the floor only after copies thereof had been distributed. She opined that the full text of House Bill No. 5707 should be read in the absence of distributed copies.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 6:13 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:14 p.m.

POINT OF ORDER OF REP. CASTRO (F.L.)

(Continuation)

With the permission of the Chair, Rep. Bondoc stated that copies of House Bill No. 5707 were already being distributed by the plenary pages.

Rep. Castro then stated that she was satisfied with the response to her point of order.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

The Chair stated that in view of the statement of Rep. Castro (F.L.), the House was deemed to have complied with her point of order.

INTERPELLATION OF REP. CASTRO (F.L.)

Rep. Castro then related her experience as a teacher who suffered from the government's contractualization schemes and asked on the rationalization and rightsizing programs conducted from the administration of former President Corazon C. Aquino to that of former President Benigno S. Aquino III. Rep. Lacson enumerated the same and clarified that the teaching and military sectors were not included in House Bill No. 5707.

Rep. Castro subsequently cited data from the Civil Service Commission (CSC) about the removal of regular employees under streamlining programs and the savings and costs of streamlining under Executive Order (EO) No. 366 under the Macapagal-Arroyo administration. She pointed out that job orders and service contracts resulted from the same and government agencies still remained inefficient. She stressed that the government should instead improve the delivery of basic services, fill up vacancies, and create more plantilla positions as well as provide security of tenure and benefits for non-regular employees.

In reply, Rep. Lacson reiterated that the Bill excluded some positions including teaching and teaching-related institutions. He also explained that it provided for a Committee on Rightsizing to oversee the implementation of the rightsizing program. Furthermore, he discussed the separation and optional retirement benefits provided under the Bill.

TERMINATION OF THE PERIODS OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE, AND AMENDMENTS

On successive motions of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body terminated the periods of sponsorship and debate; and amendments in the absence of Committee and individual amendments.

MOTION OF REP. GULLAS

Thereupon, Rep. Gullas moved for the approval on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5707.

ORDER OF THE CHAIR

Before the Body could approve on Second Reading House Bill No. 5707, the Chair directed the Sergeant-at-Arms to investigate as to the person who made an annoying sound in the Plenary Hall.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Gullas, the Chair suspended the session at 6:47 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 6:48 p.m., the session resumed.

RESTATEMENT OF REP. GULLAS' MOTION

Upon resumption of session, Rep. Gullas reiterated his motion for the approval on Second Reading of House Bill No. 5707.

ORDER OF THE CHAIR

(Continuation)

At this juncture, upon his own verification, Rep. Bondoc informed the Chair that the loud sound the latter earlier heard was a simple expression of vote from a Member of the House. Satisfied by the said explanation, the Chair withdrew his order.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 5707

Thereupon, on a previous motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved House Bill No. 5707 on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, Rep. Gullas acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Speaker Pantaleon D. Alvarez and Rep. Dakila Carlo E. Cua.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF CERTAIN BILLS UNDER THE BUSINESS FOR THE DAY

On successive motions of Rep. Gullas, 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 Committee on Legislative Franchises; 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 as the sponsorship remarks on the measures as concurred by Rep. Franz E. Alvarez, Chairperson of the Committee on Legislative Franchises; 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:

1. House Bill No. 5715, as contained in Committee Report No. 259, extending for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to Cebu Broadcasting Company under RA No. 7963;
2. House Bill No. 5716, as contained in Committee Report No. 260, extending for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise granted to Vanguard Radio Network Company, Inc. under RA No. 7529; and
3. House Bill No. 5717, as contained in Committee Report No. 261, extending for another twenty-five (25) years the franchise assigned to PBN Broadcasting Network Inc., under RA No. 8158.

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

On an omnibus motion of Rep. Gullas, 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 hereunder indicated; 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 as the sponsorship remarks on the measures; 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:

Submitted by the Committee on Agriculture and Food:

1. House Bill No. 5681, as contained in Committee Report No. 247, creating a carabao center in Guinobatan, Albay, amending for the purpose Section 12 of RA No. 7307;

Submitted by the Committee on Revision of Laws:

- 2. House Bill No. 5687, as contained in Committee Report No. 251, declaring January 23 of every year a special nonworking holiday in the province of Bulacan in commemoration of the inauguration of the Philippine Republic;
- 3. House Bill No. 5688, as contained in Committee Report No. 252, declaring September 21 of every year a special working holiday in Cebu City and the entire province of Cebu, including its highly urbanized and component cities, to be known as “Cebu Press Freedom Day”;
- 4. House Bill No. 5690, as contained in Committee Report No. 254, declaring March 2 of every year a special nonworking holiday in the province of La Union in commemoration of its founding anniversary, to be known as “La Union Day”;
- 5. House Bill No. 5691, as contained in Committee Report No. 255, declaring November 15 of every year a special nonworking holiday in the province of Occidental Mindoro in commemoration of its founding anniversary; and

Submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education:

- 6. House Bill No. 5780, as contained in Committee Report No. 272, renaming the Don Honorio Ventura Technological State University in Bacolor, Pampanga as the Don Honorio Ventura State University, and expanding its curricular offerings, amending for the purpose RA No. 9832.

ADOPTION OF SENATE BILL NO. 1468 AS AN AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 5663

With the concurrence of the Committee on Banks and Financial Intermediaries as well as the authors thereof, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body adopted Senate Bill No. 1468 as an amendment to House Bill No. 5663, designating casinos as covered persons under RA No. 9160.

APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

On further motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 95 dated May 29, 2017.

RATIFICATION OF THE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT ON HOUSE BILL NO. 5513 AND SENATE BILL NO. 14

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body ratified the Conference Committee Report on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 5513 and Senate Bill No. 14, adjusting the amounts or the value of property and damage on which a penalty is based, and the fines imposed under the Revised Penal Code.

CONCURRENCE WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS TO CERTAIN HOUSE BILLS

With the concurrence of the Committee on Local Government as well as the authors thereof, on motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body concurred with the Senate amendments to the following House Bills:

- 1. House Bills No. 937, 938, and 4402, dividing certain barangays in Navotas City into distinct and independent barangays; and
- 2. House Bill No. 4682, creating Barangay Cumawas in Bislig City, Surigao del Sur.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On motion of Rep. Gullas, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read on First Reading the titles of the following Resolutions, including the Committee Reports and Message from the President, which were referred to the appropriate Committees as hereunder indicated:

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1030, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE SUCCESSFUL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2017 BRIGADA ESKWELA”

By Representative Lacson

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Resolution No. 1031, entitled:

“RESOLUTION COMMENDING THE UNIVERSITY OF SAN AGUSTIN FOR PRODUCING A FOURTH PLACER IN THE 2016 PHILIPPINE BAR EXAMINATIONS BRINGING HONOR AND PRIDE TO ILOILO AND TO THE REST OF THE WESTERN VISAYAS REGION”

By Representative Treñas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Resolution No. 1032, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CLEARING OF 7,000 OLD-GROWTH TREES BY THE IPILAN NICKEL CORPORATION - GLOBAL FERONICKEL HOLDINGS N BROOKE'S POINT, SOUTHERN PALAWAN AND ITS SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS TO PALAWAN'S COMMUNITIES AND ECOSYSTEMS”

By Representative Zarate

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1033, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION TO PAY HOMAGE TO THE FALLEN SOLDIERS AND POLICEMEN WHO MADE THE SUPREME SACRIFICE TO DEFEND THE REPUBLIC AND UPHOLD THE SECURITY AND SAFETY OF FILIPINOS DURING THE MARAWI SIEGE”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Resolution No. 1034, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES ON THE STATUS OF THE NATURAL GAS-FIRED

POWER PLANT AND LIQUEFIED NATURAL GAS (LNG) HUB TERMINAL PROJECT OF ENERGY WORLD CORPORATION (EWC) IN PAGBILAO GRANDE ISLAND, QUEZON PROVINCE AS A CASE FOR GOVERNMENT FACILITATION OF INVESTMENTS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF PRIORITIES OF PRESIDENT DUTERTE FOR ENERGY SECURITY AND ACCESS FOR LOW-CARBON INDUSTRIALIZATION”

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1035, entitled:

“RESOLUTION ENJOINING THE PHILIPPINE COASTGUARD TO INITIATE FORTHRIGHT RESPONSE TO THE CONTINUOUS ENCROACHMENT OF UNAUTHORIZED FOREIGN VESSELS EXPLOITING RESOURCES WITHIN THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA, AS WELL AS, IMPEDING HARASSMENTS AND SUPPRESSING THREATS OF REPRISAL THEREIN”

By Representative Savellano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Resolution No. 1036, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEPEST SYMPATHIES AND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF FORMER SENATOR EVA ESTRADA-KALAW”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1037, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE DEMISE OF SIX (6) SOLDIERS OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP) IN MARAWI CITY”

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1038, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SUPPORT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR TAIWAN'S MEANINGFUL PARTICIPATION AS AN OBSERVER IN THE 70TH WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY (WHA)”

By Representative Rodriguez (M.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Resolution No. 1039, entitled:

“RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE DECLARATION OF MARTIAL LAW OVER MINDANAO”

By Representative Roque (H.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Report by the Committee on Natural Resources (Committee Report No. 274), re H.B. No. 868, entitled:

“AN ACT RECLASSIFYING AS AGRICULTURAL LAND OPEN TO DISPOSITION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC LAND ACT, AS AMENDED, THE LAND COVERED BY PROCLAMATION NO. 602, DATED APRIL 12, 2004, DECLARING AS ECO-TOURISM PARK AND CAMPSITE PURPOSES A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN SITUATED IN BARANGAYS LUBIGAN, MORIONES AND IBA IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOSE, PROVINCE OF TARLAC”

recommending its approval without amendment

Sponsors: Representatives Zarate and Yap (V.)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Natural Resources (Committee Report No. 275), re H.B. No. 5789, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE CITY OF DAVAO AS A MINING-FREE ZONE”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 3166

Sponsors: Representatives Zarate and Ungab

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

Report by the Committee on Natural Resources (Committee Report No. 276), re H.B. No. 5790, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF BILIRAN A MINING-FREE ZONE”

recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 872

Sponsors: Representatives Zarate and Espina

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

29 May 2017

SPEAKER PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ
House Speaker
House of Representatives
Batasan Hills, Quezon City

Dear Speaker Alvarez:

Pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 26 (2) of the 1987 Constitution, I hereby certify to the necessity of the immediate enactment of House Bill No. 5636 (the proposed Tax Reform for Acceleration and Inclusion Act), entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 5, 6, 22, 24, 25, 31, 33, 34, 79, 84, 86, 99, 106, 107, 108, 109, 116, 148, 149, 155, 171, 232, 237, 238, 264 AND 288; CREATING NEW SECTIONS 148-A, 150-A, 237-A, 264-A, 264-B AND 265-A; AND REPEALING SECTIONS 35 AND 62, ALL UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997' ”

to address the immediate need for tax reforms in order to achieve a simpler, more equitable, and more efficient tax system characterized by lower personal income tax rates, a broader value-added tax (VAT) base, and higher excise taxes on oil products and automobiles, among others. The benefits to be derived from this tax reform measure will sustainably finance the Government's envisioned massive investments in infrastructure thereby encouraging economic activity and job creation, as well as fund the desired increase in the public budget for health, education and social programs to alleviate poverty.

Best regards.

Very truly yours,

(SGD.) RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

Copy Furnished:

Sen. Aquilino "Koko" Pimentel III
Senate President
The Philippine Senate
Pasay City

Sec. Adelino B. Sitoy
Head
Presidential Legislative Liaison Office
2/F New Executive Bldg.
Malacañang, Manila

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

REMARKS OF REP. BONDOC

With the permission of the Chair, Rep. Bondoc informed the Body that copies of House Bill No. 5636 were already being distributed and enjoined his colleagues to study said measure for further discussions. He also reminded the Body that the convening of the Committee of the Whole would start at nine o'clock in the morning the following day.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Subsequently, on motion of Rep. Bondoc, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until four o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

It was 7:05 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

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

Approved on May 31, 2017.

Congress of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE**Date: May 30, 2017**

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

***** HERNANDEZ	OLIVAREZ	SINGSON
HERRERA-DY	ONG (E.)	SUANSING (E.)
HOFER	** ONG (H.)	SUANSING (H.)
*** JALOSJOS	ORTEGA (P.)	SUAREZ
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	* TURABIN-HATAMAN
LOPEZ (M.L.)	RAMIREZ-SATO	TY
* LOYOLA	RAMOS	UMALI
***** MACAPAGAL-ARROYO	RELAMPAGOS	UNABIA
* MACEDA	REVILLA	UNGAB
MADRONA	ROA-PUNO	UNICO
MALAPITAN	* ROBES	UY (J.)
MANALO	ROCAMORA	UY (R.)
MANGAOANG	RODRIGUEZ (I.)	UYBARRETA
MANGUDADATU (S.)	RODRIGUEZ (M.)	VARGAS
* MANGUDADATU (Z.)	**** ROMAN	VARGAS-ALFONSO
***** MARCOLETA	***** ROMERO	* VELARDE
MARCOS	***** ROMUALDEZ	* VELASCO
MARIÑO	ROMUALDO	VELASCO-CATERA
MARQUEZ	ROQUE (H.)	VELOSO
MARTINEZ	ROQUE (R.)	VERGARA
**** MATUGAS	SACDALAN	VILLAFUERTE
* MELLANA	SAGARBARRIA	VILLANUEVA
**** MENDING	* SAHALI	VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
* MENDOZA	SALCEDA	* VILLARICA
MERCADO	SALIMBANGON	VILLARIN
MIRASOL	SALO	VIOLAGO
MONTORO	SALON	**** YAP (A.)
NAVA	SAMBAR	YAP (M.)
NIETO	SANDOVAL	* YAP (V.)
NOEL	***** SANTOS-RECTO	YU
* NOGRALES (J.J.)	* SARMIENTO (C.)	ZAMORA (M.C.)
NOGRALES (K.A.)	SARMIENTO (E.M.)	ZAMORA (R.)
NOLASCO	SAVELLANO	* ZARATE
**** NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	SEMA	ZUBIRI
OAMINAL	SIAO	
* OCAMPO	* SILVERIO	

* Appeared before/after Roll Call

** On official mission

*** Attended 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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