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CALL TO ORDER

At 5:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Deogracias Victor “DV” B. Savellano called the session to order.

INVOCATION AND NATIONAL ANTHEM

Rep. Maria Laarni Cayetano delivered the invocation and thereafter, the Members sang the National Anthem.

DEFERMENT OF ROLL CALL

On motion of Rep. Juan Miguel Macapagal Arroyo, there being no objection, the Body deferred the calling of the Roll.

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 11

On further motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, there being no objection, the Body approved Journal No. 11 dated August 14 and 20, 2019.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Subsequently, on motion of Representative Macapagal Arroyo, 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 a Committee Report, which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 3899, entitled:

“AN ACT PROTECTING CHILDREN BY PROHIBITING AND DECLARING CHILD MARRIAGE AS ILLEGAL, AND IMPOSING PENALTY THEREOF”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 3900, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON DISABILITY AFFAIRS, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 3902, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT 8972 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ACT OF 2000, PROVIDING ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Fernandez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 3903, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE TAGPANGI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – TUBURAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY TUBURAN, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE TAGPANGI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TUBURAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3904, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE TALIMAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – BESIGAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY BESIGAN, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE TAGLIMAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BESIGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3905, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MAMBUAYA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – DANSOLIHON ANNEX IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE MAMBUAYA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DANSOLIHON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3906, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE TAGLIMAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – TUMPAGON ANNEX IN BARANGAY TUMPAGON, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE TAGLIMAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TUMPAGON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3907, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE MAMBUAYA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – BAYANGA ANNEX IN BARANGAY BAYANGA, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE MAMBUAYA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAYANGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3908, entitled:

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CANITOAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – PAGATPAT ANNEX IN BARANGAY PAGATPAT, CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, FROM THE CANITOAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN

INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PAGATPAT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Uy (Rolando)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3909, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7104, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'KOMISYON SA WIKANG FILIPINO (COMMISSION ON THE FILIPINO LANGUAGE) ACT' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3910, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE WALING-WALING ORCHIDS AS SECOND NATIONAL FLOWER OF THE PHILIPPINES IN ADDITION TO SAMPAGUITA”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3911, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOLO PARENTS’ WELFARE ACT OF 2010, PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL BENEFITS ON BASIC COMMODITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 3912, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE BARANGAY UNIT THROUGH SUPPORT FOR BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND BARANGAY VOLUNTEER WORKERS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3913, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE PHILIPPINE DISASTER AND EMERGENCY

MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3914, entitled:

“AN ACT FACILITATING AND REGULATING INTERNATIONAL DISASTER RELIEF AND INITIAL RECOVERY ASSISTANCE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Legarda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3915, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING LARGE ENTERPRISES AND MAJOR BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE PERSONNEL CERTIFIED IN CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION AND FIRST AID AND QUALIFIED TO HANDLE A DEFIBRILLATOR”

By Representatives Suansing (Estrellita) and Suansing (Horacio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3916, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE COMPENSATION FOR PERSONS WRONGFULLY CONVICTED OF A CRIME, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 7309, ENTITLED, 'AN ACT CREATING A BOARD OF CLAIMS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FOR VICTIMS OF UNJUST IMPRISONMENT OR DETENTION AND VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES' ”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 3917, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING PASSIG ISLET OF BARANGAY BATO IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. CRUZ, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL SUR AS

AN AQUA-ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3918, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING KAPATAGAN IN DIGOS, DAVAO DEL SUR AS AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3919, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TRAINING AND LEARNING CENTER IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

House Bill No. 3920, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE IN THE CURRICULA OF ELEMENTARY AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL A SUBJECT ON ROAD SAFETY AND TRAFFIC EDUCATION”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3921, entitled:

“AN ACT LOWERING THE COMPULSORY RETIREMENT AGE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) FROM SIXTY-FIVE TO FIFTY-FIVE YEARS OLD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1146, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997' ”

By Representative Cagas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 3922, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR MONETARY REPARATION FOR THE LOSS OR

DESTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL HOUSES, COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND OTHER PROPERTIES IN MARAWI AND AFFECTED AREAS IN LANAO DEL SUR DURING THE 2017 SIEGE OF MARAWI, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Balindong
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 3923, entitled:

“AN ACT SETTING THE MINIMUM MONTHLY PAY OF GOVERNMENT PHYSICIANS, PROVIDING THEM BENEFITS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Crisologo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3924, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT AND MANAGEMENT CENTER, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3925, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REORGANIZATION AND REFORM OF THE STRUCTURE OF THE UNIFORMED MEMBERS OF THE BUREAU OF FIRE AND PROTECTION, AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9263 AND OTHER PURPOSE”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3926, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING A PROGRAM FOR THE MANDATORY CONTINUING EDUCATION OF TEACHERS IN THE PRIMARY AND SECONDARY LEVELS IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3927, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 9 OF EVERY YEAR AS SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY TO COMMEMORATE THE FEAST OF THE BLACK NAZARENE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 3928, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING BEREAVEMENT LEAVE OF FIVE (5) WORKING DAYS WITH FULL PAY TO EMPLOYEES IN THE PRIVATE AND PUBLIC SECTORS IN THE EVENT OF DEATH OF AN IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 3929, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO ANY OFFICERS OR ENLISTED PERSONNEL OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ON ANY CHARGE BEFORE THE PROSECUTOR’S OFFICE, COURT OR ANY COMPETENT BODY ARISING FROM AN INCIDENT OR INCIDENTS RELATED TO THE PERFORMANCE OF OFFICIAL DUTY”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3930, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING JANUARY 6 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN QUEZON CITY TO COMMEMORATE THE BIRTH ANNIVERSARY OF MELCHORA AQUINO TO BE KNOWN AS 'TANDANG SORA DAY' ”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3931, entitled:

“AN ACT EXEMPTING PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FROM VALUE-ADDED TAX (VAT), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 109 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 3932, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL EMSS COUNCIL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3933, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING TRAFFIC SIGNAL POLES TO BE EQUIPPED WITH ACCESSIBLE PEDESTRIAN SIGNALS”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3934, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE TECHNICAL EDUCATIONAL AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) MANPOWER TRAINING AND YOUTH CENTER IN BARANGAY GULOD, QUEZON CITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3935, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A RURAL EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3936, entitled:

“AN ACT MODERNIZING PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE, PROVIDING FUNDS FROM THE PHILIPPINES AMUSEMENT AND GAMING

CORPORATION (PAGCOR) INCOME, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1869, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9487”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3937, entitled:

“AN ACT POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED”

By Representatives Garcia (Vincent), Ungab, Duterte, Cagas, Almario, Nuñez-Malanyaon, Bautista-Bandigan, Dujali, Gonzaga, Zamora (Way Kurat), Gonzalez and Bautista

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 3938, entitled:

“AN ACT TO MANDATE THE TEACHING OF LEGAL RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS AND OTHER RELATED TOPICS IN BASIC AND HIGHER EDUCATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Dy (Faustino Michael)

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

House Bill No. 3939, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING AMBASSADORS AND HEADS OF MISSION BEING REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE TO ASSUME THEIR PARENS PATRIAE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN PROVIDING PROTECTION TO OUR OVERSEAS FILIPINO WORKERS (OFWs) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Pacquiao (Alberto)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 3940, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Pacquiao (Alberto)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
REORGANIZATION AND THE
COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS
AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 3941, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY
PULANG BATO, MUNICIPALITY OF
BAYOG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA
DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS PULANG
BATO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Babasa
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC
EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3942, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LIBA,
MUNICIPALITY OF BAYOG, PROVINCE
OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE
KNOWN AS LIBA NATIONAL HIGH
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR”

By Representative Babasa
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC
EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3943, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SUPON,
MUNICIPALITY OF BAYOG, PROVINCE
OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE
KNOWN AS SUPON NATIONAL HIGH
SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR”

By Representative Babasa
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC
EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3944, entitled:

“AN ACT MANDATING GOVERNMENT
OFFICES AND/OR ESTABLISHMENTS
TO ALLOT AT LEAST THIRTY
PERCENT (30%) OF THEIR ENERGY
REQUIREMENTS TO SOLAR ENERGY,
AND COROLLARILY, MANDATING THE
SAME TO INSTALL SOLAR PANELS
UNTO THEIR BUILDINGS”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 3945, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE PHILIPPINE
POSTAL CORPORATION TO PRINT
POSTAGE STAMPS DEPICTING
PHILIPPINE TOURIST ATTRACTIONS
AND DESTINATIONS AND TO AFFIX
THESE STAMPS ON OUTGOING MAIL
MATTERS TO ATTRACT FOREIGN
TOURISTS”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3946, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING
MALASAKIT CENTERS IN ALL PUBLIC
HOSPITALS IN THE PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3947, entitled:

“AN ACT RENEWING THE FRANCHISE
GRANTED TO ABS-CBN
CORPORATION (FORMERLY ABS-CBN
BROADCASTING CORPORATION)
UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7966
OR 'AN ACT GRANTING ABS-CBN
BROADCASTING CORPORATION
A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT,
INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND
MAINTAIN BROADCASTING STATIONS
IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES' FOR TWENTY-FIVE (25)
YEARS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF
THIS ACT”

By Representative Aragoness
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 3948, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING
MALASAKIT CENTERS TO
COMPLEMENT THE IMPLEMENTATION
OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11223
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
'UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE ACT'
BY REQUIRING PHILHEALTH TO
ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN
MALASAKIT CENTERS IN ALL DOH,
LGUs, SUCs, AND DND HOSPITALS
IN THE COUNTRY, PROVIDING
FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Aragoness
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3949, entitled:

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR GERIATRIC HEALTH INTO A CORPORATE BODY TO BE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL CENTER FOR GERIATRIC HEALTH AND RESEARCH INSTITUTE', AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Abante

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3950, entitled:

“AN ACT DELIMITING THE EXTENT OF ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE LANDS VIS-A-VIS FOREST LANDS AND NATIONAL PARKS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ARACELI, DUMARAN, TAYTAY, EL NIDO AND CORON IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN BY CLASSIFYING PARCELS OF PUBLIC FORESTS AS AGRICULTURAL LANDS UNDER THE 1987 CONSTITUTION”

By Representative Alvarez (Franz)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 3951, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING PROTECTION AND INCENTIVES FOR FREELANCERS”

By Representative De Venecia

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3952, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PRODUCTIVITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6971, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'PRODUCTIVITY INCENTIVES ACT OF 1990' ”

By Representative Macapagal Arroyo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 3953, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF COOPERATIVES FOR FRY GATHERERS, SMALL SCALE FISHERMEN AND FISH FARMERS”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 3954, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE FOR THE PROTECTION AND ASSISTANCE OF TOURISTS”

By Representative Vargas

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3955, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE MINIMUM SALARY OF GOVERNMENT NURSES FROM SALARY GRADE 11 TO SALARY GRADE 15 AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Aumentado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3956, entitled:

“AN ACT UPGRADING THE BASIC SALARY OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS SALARY GRADE 11 TO SALARY GRADE 15”

By Representative Aumentado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 3957, entitled:

“ANTI-STEALTHING LAW OF 2019”

By Representatives Garbin and Co (Elizaldy)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 3958, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING DEL MONTE AVENUE TO FERNANDO POE, JR. AVENUE”

By Representative Castelo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3959, entitled:

“AN ACT POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, AND OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Ferrer (Juliet)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS

House Bill No. 3960, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING ALL FRANCHISE GRANTEEES USING WIRES AND CABLES IN THE OPERATION OF THEIR BUSINESSES TO RELOCATE ALL WIRES AND CABLES UNDERGROUND OR USE COLORED WIRES AND CABLES

TO IDENTIFY THEIR CORPORATION,
PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREOF,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Almario

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND THE
COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 3961, entitled:

“AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE PHILIPPINE
CANNABIS DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY (PhilCADA), DEFINING
ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Villafuerte

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3962, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING GAMBOA HERMANOS
FARMWORKERS MULTIPURPOSE
COOPERATIVE A FRANCHISE TO
CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH,
OPERATE, OWN, MANAGE AND
MAINTAIN DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS
FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF ELECTRIC
POWER TO THE END-USERS IN THE
ISLAND OF NEGROS, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representatives Alvarez (Genaro),
Sagarbarria and Valmayor

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE
FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 3963, entitled:

“AN ACT RENAMING DEL MONTE AVENUE
TO FERNANDO POE, JR. AVENUE”

By Representatives Herrera-Dy, Crisologo,
Castelo, Reyes, Belmonte and Teves (Jose)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS
AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 3964, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN
ACMAC, ILIGAN CITY TO BE KNOWN
AS BARANGAY ACMAC”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3965, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN
DITUCALAN, ILIGAN CITY TO BE
KNOWN AS BARANGAY DITUCALAN”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3966, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN SAN
ROQUE, ILIGAN CITY TO BE KNOWN
AS BARANGAY SAN ROQUE”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3967, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN
LUIINAB, ILIGAN CITY TO BE KNOWN
AS BARANGAY LUIINAB”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3968, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN
UPPER HINAPLANON, ILIGAN CITY
TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY UPPER
HINAPLANON”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3969, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A BARANGAY IN
UBALDO LAYA, ILIGAN CITY TO BE
KNOWN AS BARANGAY UBALDO
LAYA”

By Representative Siao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL
GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3970, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A
NATIONAL VALUES, ETIQUETTE, AND
MORAL UPRIGHTNESS PROGRAM”

By Representative Sy-Alvarado

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC
EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3971, entitled:

“AN ACT PENALIZING THE
DISSEMINATION OF FALSE
INFORMATION AS TO THE PRESENCE
OF BOMBS, EXPLOSIVES AND OTHER
INCENDIARY DEVICES IN HIGH
DENSITY OR SENSITIVE PLACES AND
PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR”

By Representative Villafuerte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER
AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 3972, entitled:

“AN ACT REQUIRING THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF DIALYSIS
CLINICS IN ALL NATIONAL, REGIONAL
AND PROVINCIAL HOSPITALS AND
PROVIDING FOR FREE DIALYSIS
TREATMENTS TO INDIGENT PATIENTS
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR”

By Representative Villafuerte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3973, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEM OF
REDISTRIBUTING AND RECYCLING
FOOD WASTE TO PROMOTE FOOD
SECURITY”

By Representative Villafuerte
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD
SECURITY

House Bill No. 3974, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE
OF CAMARINES SUR AS THE
WAKEBOARDING CAPITAL OF THE
PHILIPPINES”

By Representative Villafuerte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

House Bill No. 3975, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE
EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OF MEMBERS
OF THE CITIZEN ARMED FORCES OR
THE RESERVE FORCE OF THE ARMED
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By Representatives Dimaporo (Khalid) and
Dimaporo (Abdullah)
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By Representative Fuentebella
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House Bill No. 3981, entitled:

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By Representative Fuentebella
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 3982, entitled:

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE DEFINITION OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT, STRENGTHENING THE MECHANISMS TO MENTOR COMPLIANCE WITH POLICIES AGAINST SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN THE WORKPLACE AND IN EDUCATIONAL AND TRAINING INSTITUTIONS, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7877, ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE ‘ANTI-SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT OF 1995’ ”

By Representatives Yap (Eric), Tulfo and Taduran
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House Bill No. 3983, entitled:

“AN ACT SYNCHRONIZING THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR IN ALL LEVELS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE”

By Representative Ong (Ronnie)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 3984, entitled:

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By Representative Baronda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3985, entitled:

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House Bill No. 3986, entitled:

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By Representative Dy (Faustino Inno)
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House Bill No. 3987, entitled:

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By Representative Tupas
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AS THE MUSLIM-CHRISTIAN UNITY
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By Representatives Dimaporo (Abdullah),
Dimaporo (Khalid), Acosta-Alba, Siao and
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House Bill No. 3989, entitled:

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By Representative Suarez (Aleta)
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By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS
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MEDIUM ENTERPRISES, AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSES REPUBLIC ACT
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KNOWN AS THE 'MAGNA CARTA
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By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON MICRO,
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ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM
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DISABILITIES, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES,
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OF SOCIETY, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC
EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3993, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA
CARTA OF THE OUT-OF-SCHOOL
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By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND
SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 3994, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OVERSEAS
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By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 3995, entitled:

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SURVIVING SPOUSE AND CHILDREN
OF SLAIN JUSTICES AND JUDGES,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
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ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO PROVIDE
FOR THE RETIREMENT OF JUSTICES
OF THE SUPREME COURT AND OF
THE COURT OF APPEALS, FOR THE
ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS
HEREOF BY THE GOVERNMENT
SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM, AND
TO REPEAL COMMONWEALTH ACT
NUMBERED FIVE HUNDRED AND
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FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Agabas
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House Bill No. 3996, entitled:

“AN ACT ALLOWING AND REGULATING
THE USE OF MOTORCYCLES AS PUBLIC
UTILITY VEHICLES, AMENDING
FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 4136 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE LAND TRANSPORTATION AND
TRAFFIC CODE, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 3997, entitled:

“AN ACT LOWERING THE OPTIONAL
RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT

WORKERS FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS TO FIFTY-FIVE (55) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13-A OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997' ”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 3998, entitled:

“AN ACT LOWERING THE OPTIONAL RETIREMENT AGE OF PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS OLD TO FIFTY-FIVE (55) YEARS OLD AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 13-A OF REPUBLIC ACT 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 3999, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER RESILIENCE, DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER MANAGEMENT

House Bill No. 4000, entitled:

“THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET AND IMPOUNDMENT CONTROL ACT”

By Representatives Gaité, Zarate, Cullamat, Brosas and Castro (France)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 4001, entitled:

“AN ACT TO CHANGE THE DEFINITION OF 'YEARS,' AMENDING SECTION 13 OF THE CIVIL CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES AND SECTION 31 OF THE REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987”

By Representative Dy (Faustino Michael)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4002, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF QUIRINO MEMORIAL MEDICAL

CENTER FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS TO ONE THOUSAND (1000) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Reyes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4003, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION PROGRAM FOR THE BANGSAMORO, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE AND RECONCILIATION COMMISSION FOR THE BANGSAMORO, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representatives Belmonte and Sangcopan
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND UNITY

House Bill No. 4004, entitled:

“AN ACT DECLARING FEBRUARY 24 OF EVERY YEAR AS A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY, TO BE KNOWN AS 'ARAW NG SIBUGAY' ”

By Representative Hofer
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4005, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR REGULATION OF TRICYCLES, INSTITUTIONALIZING MECHANISMS FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4006, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING THE MAGNA CARTA OF DAY CARE WORKERS AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4007, entitled:

“AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES TO PERSONS WITH

DISABILITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7277, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Agabas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 4008, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OCCUPANCY, AND MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BUILDINGS, ENACTING A NEW BUILDING ACT, THEREBY REPEALING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1096, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Romero and Pineda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4009, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN INTEGRATED NATIONAL BAMBOO AND RATTAN DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE BAMBOO AND RATTAN CENTERS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4010, entitled:

“AN ACT INSTITUTING THE MAGNA CARTA OF DAY CARE WORKERS AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4011, entitled:

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE REGULATION OF HEALTH FACILITIES AND SERVICES REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4226, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'HOSPITAL LICENSURE ACT' AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4012, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DUMPING OF SEWAGE SLUDGE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE INTO THE SEAWATERS AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES IN VIOLATION THEREOF”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4013, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE HIGH SCHOOL FOR SPORTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4014, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE FREE LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO ALL INDIGENT FILIPINOS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CHAPTER 5, TITLE III, BOOK IV OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987' AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

House Bill No. 4015, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DISPOSAL OF ELECTRONIC DEVICES AT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4016, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING A DATABASE OF PRODUCTS CONTAINING PROBABLE CARCINOGENS”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4017, entitled:

“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION OF INTEREST AND/OR PENALTY CHARGES ON UNPAID HOSPITAL BILLS AND MEDICAL EXPENSES OF PATIENTS WHO EARN MINIMUM WAGE OR LESS”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4018, entitled:

“AN ACT INTEGRATING HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE INTO THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

By Representative Villarica
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4019, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING THE RATE OF FEES AND CHARGES THAT BANKS IMPOSED FOR AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE (ATM) TRANSACTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representatives Zarate and Cullamat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 4020, entitled:

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By Representative Sarmiento
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4021, entitled:

“AN ACT TO PROVIDE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES WITH ONLINE VOLUNTEERISM OPPORTUNITIES”

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL SERVICES

House Bill No. 4022, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE AND RESPONSIVE CIVIL REGISTRATION AND VITAL STATISTICS SYSTEM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON POPULATION AND FAMILY RELATIONS

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“AN ACT CREATING THE POSITION OF PRESIDENTIAL PHYSICIAN, DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, ALLOCATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 4024, entitled:

“AN ACT REGULATING TRANSPORTATION NETWORK SERVICES, IMPOSING AND AUTHORIZING FEES, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4025, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MAGNA CARTA OF COMMUTERS”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4026, entitled:

“AN ACT CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

By Representative Biazon
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

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House Resolution No. 226, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON AGRARIAN REFORM TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, IN THE PROLIFERATION OF IRRIGATED AND IRRIGABLE LAND CONVERTED INTO NONAGRICULTURAL PURPOSE IN VIOLATION OF SECTION 65 OF RA 6657 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE AGRARIAN REFORM LAW OF 1988, AS AMENDED BY RA 9700”

By Representative Geron
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 227, entitled:

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TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 150-B OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10963, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'TAX REFORM FOR ACCELERATION AND INCLUSION (TRAIN)'”

By Representatives Suansing (Estrellita) and Suansing (Horacio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 228, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE BASIS OF MERALCO IN INCORPORATING IN THE CONSUMERS’ MONTHLY ELECTRIC BILLS, ADDITIONAL CHARGES FOR RENEWAL ENERGY, SYSTEM LOSS AND OTHER CHARGES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROVIDING THE PUBLIC A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHARGES AND TO PROVIDE CONGRESS AN INSIGHT TO GUIDE IT IN CRAFTING RESPONSIVE LEGISLATION TO ADDRESS THE PERENNIAL PROBLEM OF HIGH ENERGY COST”

By Representative Barbers
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 229, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE REPORTED PROLIFERATION OF 'FALSIFIED' MEDICINES IN THE COUNTRY BASED ON THE 2019 REPORT BY THE UNITED NATIONS OFFICE ON DRUGS AND CRIME (UNODC) ENTITLED 'TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME IN SOUTHEAST ASIA: EVOLUTION, GROWTH AND IMPACT', WHICH IDENTIFIED THE PHILIPPINES AS HAVING THE HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF FALSIFIED MEDICINES AMONG SOUTHEAST ASIAN COUNTRIES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROTECTING AND PROMOTING THE RIGHT TO HEALTH OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE”

By Representative Tan (Angelina)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 230, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TO REVIEW THE RESOLUTION OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS VICTIMS CLAIMS BOARD DENYING THE CLAIM OF DIORICA FRANCISCO LUMBAD AND OTHER WORKERS OF LA TONDEÑA DISTILLERS, INC. FOR ABUSES COMMITTED DURING MARTIAL LAW”

By Representative Lopez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 231, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING AND URGING THE PRESIDENT TO AWARD THE MEDAL OF VALOR TO FIRST LIEUTENANT RONILO M. VENDER FOR VALIANTLY LEADING THE COMBAT TEAM THAT NEUTRALIZED THE MAUTE TERRORISTS, ISNILON HAPILON AND OMAR MAUTE”

By Representative Suarez (Aleta)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Resolution No. 232, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT AGAINST TRANSGENDER WOMAN GRETCHEN CUSTODIO DIEZ”

By Representatives Brosas, Roman, Elago, Castro (France), Zarate, Gaité and Cullamat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 233, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE POSSIBLE DISCRIMINATORY INCIDENT, THAT HAPPENED INSIDE A MALL, ON THE BASIS OF SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR GENDER IDENTITY INVOLVING THE DENIAL OF ACCESS TO A LADIES’ RESTROOM TO TRANSGENDER WOMAN GRETCHEN CUSTODIO DIEZ WITH THE

ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTION TO HER USE THE RESTROOM OF MALES INSTEAD”

By Representative Roman
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 234, entitled:

“RESOLUTION OF THE MINORITY FOR THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION ON THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT (COA) 2018 AUDIT FINDINGS ON THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DEPED) RELATIVE TO VARIOUS ERRORS ON LEARNING MATERIALS INTENDED FOR GRADE 3 PUPILS VALUED AT OVER P254.3M, INCLUDING AN ALARMING NUMBER OF UNDISTRIBUTED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS VALUED AT OVER P113M, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, FOR PURPOSES OF INSTITUTING REFORMS, REVIEW OF POLICIES AND ASSESSMENT OF DEPED”

By Representative Abante
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 235, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE TWO HUNDRED NINETY-NINE (299) IRRIGATION PROJECTS FLAGGED BY COMMISSION ON AUDIT”

By Representative Cabatbat
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 236, entitled:

“RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION BY THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE INCREASE OF THE COCO METHYL ESTER (CME) BLEND OF BIODIESEL FROM 2 PERCENT TO 8 PERCENT”

By Representatives Suarez (David) and Villaraza-Suarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 237, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD GOVERNMENT

AND PUBLIC ACCOUNTABILITY TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALLEGED UNAUTHORIZED PURCHASE BY THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES (CAAP) OF LIFE INSURANCE PLANS WORTH A TOTAL OF PHP 500 MILLION FOR TEN (10) OF ITS OFFICIALS DESPITE LACK OF BOARD APPROVAL AND PROPER SELECTION CRITERIA”

By Representative Castelo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 238, entitled:

“RESOLUTION OF THE MINORITY CALLING ON THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION ON THE ALLEGATIONS OF FRAUDULENT MEDICAL CLAIMS, MISMANAGEMENT & NEGLIGENCE, GRAFT & CORRUPTION AGAINST PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION (PHILHEALTH), IN AID OF LEGISLATION, FOR PURPOSES OF INSTITUTING REAL REFORMS, REVIEW OF PHILHEALTH POLICIES AND ASSESSMENT OF ITS EFFECTIVENESS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE LAW (REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11223)”

By Representative Abante
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 239, entitled:

“RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY, TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE BULK WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IN MORONG, BATAAN, AND ITS IMPACT TO THE PEOPLE AND ENVIRONMENT”

By Representatives Gaité, Zarate, Cullamat, Castro (France) and Brosas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 240, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC

ACT NO. 11203, ENTITLED 'AN ACT LIBERALIZING THE IMPORTATION, EXPORTATION AND TRADING OF RICE, LIFTING FOR THE PURPOSE THE QUANTITATIVE IMPORT RESTRICTION ON RICE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,' TO ASCERTAIN THAT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES CONCERNED ARE PERFORMING THEIR RESPECTIVE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES, SPECIALLY INTO THE UTILIZATION OF THE RICE COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND”

By Representative Suansing (Estrellita)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 241, entitled:

“RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE P254 MILLION WORTH OF ERROR-RIDDEN TEXTBOOKS AND/OR LEARNING MATERIALS AND THE P113 MILLION WORTH OF UNUTILIZED INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AS REPORTED BY THE COMMISSION ON AUDIT IN ITS 2018 CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT”

By Representative Fortun
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 242, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PROTOCOLS OF MARINA AND PCG IN DETERMINING THE SEAWORTHINESS OF VESSELS AND RESPONDING TO MARITIME ACCIDENTS DUE TO THE REPEATED OCCURRENCE OF MARITIME MISHAPS IN THE COUNTRY”

By Representative Sarmiento
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 243, entitled:

“A RESOLUTION URGING THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY AND INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE ALARMING NUMBER OF KILLINGS

IN CALBAYOG CITY AND TO ENSURE THE PRESENCE AND ASSIGNMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN THE AREA”

By Representative Sarmiento
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Concurrent Resolution No. 4, entitled:

“CONCURRENT RESOLUTION GIVING CONSENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY RAUL S. HERNANDEZ, FORMER AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES TO THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA FROM 28 MAY 2014 TO 30 APRIL 2019 TO RECEIVE THE AWARD OF THE 'ORDER OF DIPLOMATIC SERVICE MERIT, FIRST CLASS' FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA”

By Representative Hofer
TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Joint Resolution No. 10, entitled:

“JOINT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE AVAILABILITY OF THE 2019 APPROPRIATIONS FOR MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES AND CAPITAL OUTLAYS TO DECEMBER 31, 2020, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 65 OF THE GENERAL PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11260, THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF FISCAL YEAR 2019”

By Representatives Zamora (Ronaldo) and Almario
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

COMMITTEE REPORT

Report of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Appropriations (Committee Report No. 2), re H.B. No. 4157, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, 20, 22, 27, 28, 34, 40, 50, 73, 112, 117, 204, 222, 237, 237-A, 255, 256, 257, 258, 261, 263, 264, 266, 275, 290, 291, 292 AND ADDING NEW SECTIONS 6-A, 282-A, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315 AND 316 ALL UNDER THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE

CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 176, 313, 1042, 1909, 2084, 2554, 2704, 2956, 3356, and 3846 Sponsors: Representatives Salceda, Ungab, Suansing (Estrellita) and Garin (Sharon) TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ROLL CALL

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

Abaya	Benitez	Dalipe	Hernandez
Abellanos	Bernos	Dalog	Herrera-Dy
Abu	Biazon	Daza	Hofer
Abueg-Zaldivar	Biron	De Jesus	Jalosjos
Abunda	Bolilia	de Venecia	Javier
Acop	Bondoc	Defensor (L.)	Jimenez
Acosta	Bordado	Defensor (M.)	Kho (E.)
Acosta-Alba	Bravo	Del Mar	Kho (W.)
Advincula	Brosas	Delos Santos	Khonghun
Agabas	Bulut	Dimaporo (M.K.)	Labadlabad
Agarao	Cabatbat	Dujali	Lacson
Aglipay	Cabochan	Duterte	Lacson-Noel
Aguinaldo	Cabredo	Dy (F.)	Lagman
Albano (A.)	Cagas	Dy (F.M.C.)	Lagon
Almario	Calderon	Dy (I.P.)	Lara
Alonte	Calixto	Ebcas	Legarda
Alvarez (G.)	Caminero	Ecleo	Lim
Alvarez (P.)	Campos	Elago	Limkaichong
Amante-Matba	Canama	Enverga	Lopez
Amatong	Caoagdan	Ermita-Buhain	Loyola
Andaya	Cari	Espina	Macapagal Arroyo
Angara	Castelo	Espino	Maceda
Aragones	Castro (F.L.)	Estrella	Malapitan
Arbison	Castro (F.H.)	Fariñas (R.C.)	Mangaoang
Arroyo	Cayetano (A.P.)	Fariñas I (R.C.)	Mangudadatu
Atienza	Cayetano (M.L.)	Fernandez	Marcoleta
Aumentado	Celeste	Fernando	Mariano-Hernandez
Babasa	Chatto	Ferrer (J.M.)	Mariño
Bagatsing	Chipeco	Ferrer (L.)	Marquez
Balindong	Chungalao	Flores	Martinez
Barba	Co (A.N.)	Fongwan	Matba
Barbers	Collantes	Fortun	Matugas
Baronda	Crisologo	Frasco	Momo
Barzaga	Cua	Fuentebella	Natividad-Nagaño
Bascug	Cuaresma	Gaite	Nieto
Bautista	Cueva	Garbin	Noel
Bautista-Bandigan	Cullamat	Garcia (P.J.)	Nogralas (J.J.)
Belmonte	Dagooc	Garcia (V.)	Nogralas (J.F.F.)
		Garin (J.)	Nolasco
		Garin (S.)	Nuñez-Malanyaon
		Gasataya	Oaminal
		Gato	Olivarez
		Geron	Ong (J.)
		Go (E.C.)	Ong (R.)
		Go (M.)	Ortega
		Gonzaga	Ouano-Dizon
		Gonzales (A.)	Pacquiao (A.)
		Gonzales (N.)	Pacquiao (R.)
		Gonzalez	Paduano
		Guico	Palma
		Gullas	Pancho
		Guya	Panotes
		Haresco	Peña
		Hataman	Pimentel

Pineda	Tan (A.S.)
Plaza	Tejada
Puno	Teves (A.)
Quimbo	Teves (J.)
Radaza	Tiangco
Ramirez-Sato	Tolentino
Ramos	Torres-Gomez
Remulla	Tulfo
Revilla	Tupas
Reyes	Tutor
Rivera	Ty
Robes	Umali (A.)
Rodriguez	Umali (M.V.)
Romualdez (F.M.)	Unabia
Romualdez (Y.M.)	Ungab
Romualdo	Uy (J.)
Romulo	Uy (R.)
Roque	Valeriano
Sacdalan	Valmayor
Sagarbarria	Vargas Alfonso
Salceda	Velasco
Salimbangon	Veloso
Sangcopan	Villa
Sarmiento	Villafuerte
Saulog	Villanueva (E.)
Savellano	Villanueva (N.)
Siao	Villar
Silverio	Villaraza-Suarez
Singson	Villarica
Singson-Meehan	Violago
Sinsuat	Yap (E.)
Suansing (E.)	Yap (V.)
Suansing (H.)	Yu
Suarez (A.)	Zamora (R.)
Suarez (D.)	Zamora (W.K.)
Sy-Alvarado	Zarate
Taduran	Zubiri
Tambunting	

With 259 Members responding to the Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Rep. Anthony Peter “Onyx” D. Crisologo then acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Florida “Rida” P. Robes, Ramon C. Nolasco Jr., and France L. Castro.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Precious Hipolito Castelo, there being no objection, the Body

considered on Second Reading House Bill No. 4157 contained in Committee Report No. 2 as reported out by the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations.

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

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 4, 5, 20, 22, 27, 28, 34, 40, 50, 73, 112, 117, 204, 222, 237, 237-A, 255, 256, 257, 258, 261, 263, 264, 266, 275, 290, 291, 292 AND ADDING NEW SECTIONS 6-A, 282-A, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315 AND 316 ALL UNDER THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

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

Upon Representative Castelo’s subsequent motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Joey Sarte Salceda, Chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means and a principal author of the Bill, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE SALCEDA

Representative Salceda explained that the proposed Corporate Income Tax and Incentives Rationalization Act or CITIRA would reduce corporate income tax from 30 percent to 20 percent, and thereby encourage domestic production, increase corporate revenues leading to generation of more jobs, and improve the country’s economy.

He further stated that the substitute Bill offers a more responsive tax formula to investors by retaining the three years of income tax holiday (ITH) and two years of reduced corporate income tax (CIT) for Metro Manila; four years of ITH and three years of reduced CIT for areas adjacent to Metro Manila; and six years of ITH and four years reduced CIT for others. Among the salient features discussed by Representative Salceda was the strengthening of the powers of the Fiscal Incentives Review Board for effective management of fiscal incentives.

Representative Salceda stressed that in order for the country to prosper, the government must further invest in infrastructure, ease the cost of doing business, and implement efficient and performance-based tax reform packages. Lastly, he believed that CITIRA would be good for the country.

MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE TADURAN

Thereupon, Rep. Niña Taduran moved for the suspension of consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 6:03 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:03 p.m.

WITHDRAWAL OF REPRESENTATIVE TADURAN'S MOTION

Thereafter, Rep. Christopher V.P. de Venecia withdrew the previous motion of Representative Taduran and on his motion, the Chair recognized Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing, vice chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, for her sponsorship speech.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE SUANSING (E.)

In her speech, Representative Suansing said that CITIRA envisions a stronger economy for the country, and seeks to implement a simpler, fairer, and more transparent corporate tax system. She pointed out that under the proposed measure, fiscal incentives would be rationalized, hence addressing abuses in giving tax incentives. She added that the Bill would also allow the government to check if the incentives granted to investors would result in job generation.

Since tax system reforms and increased tax revenues are part of the government's priorities, Representative Suansing stressed the timely need to address inequitable and inefficient tax system that only benefitted a few industries and negatively impacting the micro, small- and medium-sized enterprises. She said that the new tax incentive scheme would show the Bill's intention to attract more investments and improve the economy. She

then enjoined her colleagues to support the immediate approval of the Bill.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Taduran, the Chair recognized Rep. Sharon S. Garin, vice chairperson of the Committee on Ways and Means, for her sponsorship remarks.

SPONSORSHIP REMARKS OF REPRESENTATIVE GARIN (S.)

At the outset, Representative Garin urged the Body to support the CITIRA, which is the second in the series of tax reform packages under the Comprehensive Tax Reform Program of the government. While the Philippines has the highest corporate income tax among ASEAN countries, the country has not benefitted as much due to tax leakages and the abuse of tax incentives. She added that the foregone revenues due to the CITIRA would, in the long run, be offset through rationalized and simplified tax incentives.

Representative Garin then stressed that the proposed tax incentive scheme under CITIRA would make the tax system simpler, fairer, and more efficient. She urged the Body to support the passage of the Bill which she strongly believed would make the Philippines more competitive and lead to improvements in domestic and foreign direct investments, more jobs and higher income for Filipinos, and a stronger economy for the country.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

At 6:16 p.m., the session was suspended.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session resumed at 6:16 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 4157

On motion of Rep. Manuel F. Zubiri, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 4157.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

With leave of the House, on motion of Representative Zubiri, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Zubiri, there being no objection, the Chair recognized Representative Robes to deliver her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROBES

Representative Robes expressed her apprehension over the rising cases of suicide and mental illness among the youth and how depression has increasingly affected Filipinos. She highlighted that the educational system has been geared more towards physical and intellectual development of young people, and less of their spiritual growth. Recognizing that this scenario may be a result of social disconnection and weakening of genuine relationship and healthy lifestyles, she highlighted the role of social media as a channel for risk factors that contribute to depression and mental health issues.

Representative Robes then called on: (1) the Commission on Higher Education and Department of Education to introduce ethical orientation program emphasizing on moral values; (2) private, nongovernment, and religious organizations to help in providing counselling and stress debriefing programs; and (3) the Department of Health to step up in the implementation of the Philippine Mental Health Law.

She then urged Congress to conduct an inquiry on the senior high school curriculum and support legislation for instituting values education in the curriculum; and to exercise its oversight powers on the implementation of the Philippine Mental Health Law. Further, she proposed that the Body look into the difficulty of hiring guidance counselors in relation to the licensing guidelines under the Guidance Counselor Act of 2004.

On motion of Representative Taduran, the Chair recognized Rep. Jose L. Atienza Jr. for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATIENZA

At the outset, Representative Atienza praised Representative Robes for taking up the issue of increasing suicide rate in the country. The two Members then discussed how in addition to marijuana and illegal drugs addiction, other socioeconomic factors contribute to depression and suicidal attempts among the youth.

Representative Atienza urged Representative Robes to join him in his crusade in preventing the spread of marijuana use, which is a primary risk should the use of medical marijuana be legalized in the country.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Savellano relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Ferdinand L. Hernandez.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROBES

On motion of Representative Taduran, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Robes and the interpellation thereon to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

At this point, on motion of Representative de Venecia, the Chair recognized Rep. Lorenz R. Defensor for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DEFENSOR (L.)

Citing the commemoration of the 88th National Heroes Day and the 36th Death Anniversary of Ninoy Aquino, and current issues affecting the national territory, Representative Defensor called on his fellow Members to support the Armed Forces of the Philippines by continuing to legislate for the improvement of conditions and standard of living of their families, lowering their taxes and increasing benefits for their families; and support and fast-track the modernization of the armed forces.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DEFENSOR (L.)

On motion of Rep. Xavier Jesus D. Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Defensor to the Committee on Rules.

SUSPENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body suspended the Privilege Hour.

ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES

On successive motions of Senior Deputy Majority Leader Jesus Crispin C. Remulla, there

being no objection, the Body elected the following Members from the Majority to the committees specified hereunder:

Committee on Health

(as vice chairpersons)

Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.
Rep. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez
Rep. Jose Enrique “Joet” S. Garcia III

(as members)

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.
Rep. Alan I B. Ecleo
Rep. Emmarie “Lolypop” Ouano-Dizon
Rep. Aleta C. Suarez
Rep. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba

Committee on Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Nestor B. Fongwan

(as members)

Rep. Joseph Sto. Niño B. Bernos
Rep. Maximo Y. Dalog Jr.
Rep. Mark O. Go
Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma
Rep. Raul “Boboy” C. Tupas
Rep. Noel L. Villanueva

Committee on Science and Technology

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya

Committee on Social Services

(as member)

Rep. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba

Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms

(as senior vice chairperson)

Rep. Virgilio S. Lacson

(as members)

Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma
Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez

Committee on Tourism

(as members)

Rep. Adriano A. Ebcas
Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno
Rep. Mercedes “Didi” C. Cagas
Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.
Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.
Rep. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba

Committee on Transportation

(as members)

Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.
Rep. Alan I B. Ecleo
Rep. Edcel C. Lagman

Committee on Youth and Sports Development

(as members)

Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.
Rep. Strike B. Revilla

Committee on Ways and Means

(as members)

Rep. Edcel C. Lagman
Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.
Rep. Victor A. Yap

Committee on Agriculture and Food

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas I

(as members)

Rep. Fernando T. Cabredo
Rep. Mercedes “Didi” C. Cagas
Rep. Ma. Angelica M. Amante-Matba
Rep. Micaela S. Violago
Rep. Joseph “Jojo” L. Lara

Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Alan I B. Ecleo

Committee on Banks and Financial Intermediaries

(as member)

Rep. Victor A. Yap

Committee on Basic Education and Culture

(as members)

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Rep. Ramon V. Guico III

Committee on Disaster Management

(as member)

Rep. Nestor B. Fongwan

Committee on Ecology

(as member)

Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno

Committee on Economic Affairs

(as member)

Rep. Victor A. Yap

Committee on Energy

(as members)

Rep. Adriano A. Ebcas

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.

Rep. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez

Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano

Rep. Franciso Jose “Bingo” F. Matugas II, CPA,
CESO, LLB

Rep. Cesar “Jawo” L. Jimenez Jr.

Committee on Foreign Affairs

(as members)

Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano

Rep. Jocelyn P. Tulfo

Rep. Lorna C. Silverio

Rep. Florida “Rida” P. Robes

Special Committee on Food Security

(as member)

Rep. Nestor B. Fongwan

Committee on Games and Amusement

(as members)

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.

Committee on Higher and Technical Education

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Leonardo L. Babasa Jr.

(as members)

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

Rep. Jocelyn F. Fortuno

Rep. Mercedes “Didi” C. Cagas

Rep. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez

Rep. Victor A. Yap

Committee on Information and
Communications Technology

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Francis Gerald Aguinaldo Abaya

Committee on Inter-Parliamentary
Relations and Diplomacy

(as members)

Rep. Antonio “Tonypet” T. Albano

Rep. Jocelyn P. Tulfo

Rep. Lorna C. Silverio

Rep. Florida “Rida” P. Robes

Committee on Justice

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Ramon C. Nolasco Jr.

(as member)

Rep. Edcel C. Lagman

Committee on Labor and Employment

(as member)

Rep. Edcel C. Lagman

Committee on Legislative Franchises

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. “Kuya” Jose Antonio R. Sy-Alvarado

(as members)

Rep. Esmael G. Mangudadatu
Rep. Micaela S. Violago
Rep. Enrico A. Pineda
Rep. Alfredo A. Garbin Jr.Committee on Local Government

(as members)

Rep. Esmael G. Mangudadatu
Rep. Datu Roonie Q. Sinsuat Sr.
Rep. Jose “Bong” J. Teves Jr.Committee on Metro Manila Development

(as members)

Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.
Rep. Henry R. Villarica
Rep. Eric L. OlivarezCommittee on Mindanao Affairs

(as vice chairperson)

Rep. Esmael G. Mangudadatu

Committee on National Defense

(as members)

Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina Jr.
Rep. Henry R. Villarica
Rep. Horacio P. Suansing Jr.Committee on Natural Resources

(as vice chairpersons)

Rep. Nestor B. Fongwan
Rep. Alan I B. EcleoCommittee on Population and Family Relations

(as member)

Rep. Edcel C. Lagman

Committee on Poverty Alleviation

(as members)

Rep. Edward Vera Perez Maceda
Rep. Eric M. Martinez
Rep. John Marvin “Yul Servo” C. NietoCommittee on Public Order and Safety

(as members)

Rep. Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento
Rep. Strike B. Revilla
Rep. Ruth Mariano-Hernandez
Rep. Horacio P. Suansing Jr.**RESUMPTION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR**

On successive motions of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body resumed the Privilege Hour and the Chair recognized Rep. Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. for his privilege speech.

**PRIVILEGE SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE BARZAGA**

Representative Barzaga initially cited provisions under various Philippine Constitutions on the development and adoption of a national language, and the use of English and Filipino as the official languages; and several presidential issuances on the annual celebration of the *Buwang ng Wika*. He then expressed his concern on the potential loss of about several indigenous languages in the country and the challenge of preserving these languages. Likewise, he emphasized the value of making Filipino as a unifying language of the country, and that as legislators, the Members should strive to keep Filipino as the national language while recognizing and respecting other native languages and strengthening their linkage to the Filipino language.

Representative Barzaga cited the Mother Tongue-Based Multilingual Education (MTB-MLE) under the K to 12 Program as a way to achieve this objective. Subsequently, he proposed to improve the translation of instructional materials and publication

of literary works in the native dialects of students and in Filipino; to enact laws to fund the development of languages through quality research; and to create more educational programs that will encourage students to participate in language development. He also underscored different ways, such as national contests in writing and speaking and training programs, to strengthen Philippine languages, and urged everyone to continue upholding the country's national language.

EXTENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

At this point, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Chair extended the Privilege Hour for another 30 minutes.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE REMULLA

Recognized by the Chair, on motion of Representative Romualdo, Representative Remulla initially expressed his appreciation to Representative Barzaga for his timely speech about the country's native languages, which he said the youth of today tend to forget.

Representatives Barzaga and Remulla then discussed the methods that could widen and increase the use of native languages, such as speech contests, debates, and songwriting contests in Filipino, as well as the availability of literature in both the indigenous languages and the Filipino language. Representative Remulla expressed support to the objective of Representative Barzaga of propagating the use of the local languages.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Romualdo, the Chair recognized Minority Leader Bienvenido M. Abante Jr. for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF MINORITY LEADER ABANTE

Minority Leader Abante and Representative Barzaga discussed the characteristics of the Filipino language, with the former arguing that Filipino is not a native language since the letter "F" in "Filipino" was adopted from a foreign alphabet. Representative Barzaga explained that the Filipino language has been adopted as a national language under the 1987 Constitution, and pointed out that a thorough study should be made on the local dialects in order to know their equivalent in the Filipino language.

Both Members also delved into the differences among the local dialects and languages in the country, after which Minority Leader Abante said that it would be difficult to actualize the proposal to translate and integrate native languages into a common language. To do this, Representative Barzaga proposed to translate local dialects into Filipino for common understanding, given that the country is not yet prepared to make local dialects as official languages.

Representative Barzaga also emphasized that having a national language is of prime importance despite the difficulty of adopting one. Representative Abante argued that there is no single national language because Tagalog, Cebuano, and Bicolano are also considered national languages and that unity could still be achieved despite the prevalence of multiple languages in the country.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BARZAGA

On motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Barzaga's privilege speech and interpellations thereon to the Committee on Rules.

SUSPENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

Representative Romualdo thereafter moved that the Body suspend the Privilege Hour and there being no objection, the Body approved the same.

ELECTION OF MINORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES

On successive motions of Senior Deputy Minority Leader Janette L. Garin, there being no objection, the Body elected the following Members from the Minority to the committees specified hereunder:

Committee on Higher and Technical Education

(as member)

Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

Committee on Human Rights

(as senior member)

Rep. Lawrence "Law" H. Fortun

(as members)

Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat
Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

Committee on Veterans Affairs and Welfare

(as senior member)

Rep. Isagani S. Amatong

Committee on Visayas Development

(as senior member)

Rep. Sharee Ann Tee Tan

(as member)

Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

Committee on Welfare of Children

(as senior member)

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

(as member)

Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

Committee on Women and Gender Equality

(as senior member)

Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

(as members)

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog
Rep. Angelica Natasha Co
Rep. Stella Luz A. Quimbo

Committee on Labor and Employment

(as senior member)

Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

(as members)

Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago
Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun
Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

Committee on Legislative Franchises

(as members)

Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc
Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs

(as senior member)

Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité

Committee on Population and Family Relations

(as senior member)

Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

(as member)

Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali

Committee on Poverty Alleviation

(as senior member)

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

(as member)

Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali

Committee on Public Order and Safety

(as senior member)

Rep. Arnolfo “Arnie” A. Teves Jr.

(as members)

Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun
Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

Committee on Revision of Laws

(as senior member)

Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun

(as member)

Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

Committee on Rural Development

(as senior member)

Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc

(as members)

Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat

Rep. Godofredo N. Guya

Committee on Science and Technology

(as senior member)

Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago

(as member)

Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

Committee on Social Services

(as senior member)

Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

(as members)

Rep. Ma. Victoria V. Umali

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

Rep. France L. Castro

Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms

(as senior member)

Rep. Lawrence “Law” H. Fortun

(as member)

Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité

Special Committee on Bases Conversion

(as senior member)

Rep. Ferdinand R. Gaité

Special Committee on Bicol Recovery
and Economic Development

(as senior member)

Rep. Gabriel H. Bordado Jr.

(as member)

Rep. Elizaldy S. Co

Special Committee on Climate Change

(as senior member)

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

(as member)

Rep. Eufemia “Ka Femia” C. Cullamat

Special Committee on East ASEAN Growth Area

(as member)

Rep. Angelica Natasha Co

Special Committee on Food Security

(as senior member)

Rep. France L. Castro

(as member)

Rep. Argel Joseph T. Cabatbat

Special Committee on Globalization and WTO

(as senior member)

Rep. France L. Castro

Special Committee on Land Use

(as senior member)

Rep. Arlene D. Brosas

Special Committee on Southern Tagalog Development

(as senior member)

Rep. Alex “AA” L. Advincula

(as member)

Rep. Irene Gay F. Saulog

EXTENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

Considering that 20 minutes of the previous extension of the Privilege Hour had been consumed

and that there were two more Members who wished to speak, on motion of Representative Romualdo, there being no objection, the Body approved to extend the Privilege Hour for another 30 minutes.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Claudine Diana D. Bautista, the Chair recognized Rep. France L. Castro for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)

At the outset, Representative Castro manifested her support to Representative Barzaga's message to promote the national language since her speech would focus on the policy and budgetary aspects of the Filipino and other native languages. She emphasized the poor state of local languages in the country, citing, among others, the optional use of Filipino language as a subject and setting of low targets for Filipino language competencies in the curricula of basic to senior high school education, which were in contrast to the constitutional provision on the use of Filipino as an official language.

She also pointed out the lack of funds to support development efforts for the native languages. Specifically, Representative Castro expressed her disappointment with the decrease in the proposed budget of the Commission on the Filipino Language (CFL) that could negatively impact on the implementation of the Filipino Sign Language (FSL) Act and, in turn, limit access of persons with disability, especially those with hearing impairment, to education, health, and other basic social services.

Pointing out that the country's languages is an intangible cultural heritage, represents national identity, and symbolizes unity, Representative Castro stressed that instead, these should be enriched, promoted, and strengthened. She urged her colleagues to increase the 2020 budget allocation for language development including the support for the FSL Act.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CASTRO (F.L.)

On motion of Representative Castelo, there being no objection, the Body referred Representative Castro's privilege speech to the Committee on Rules.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DEL MAR

Recognized by the Chair upon Representative Castelo's motion, Rep. Raul V. Del Mar spoke

about the growing traffic problem in Metro Cebu and raised queries on the modification of the route and alignment of the Cebu Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) which he said could be detrimental to the city and its people.

He thereafter recommended the Committee on Transportation to do the following: (1) invite the Department of Transportation (DOTr) and the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) to explain the route alignment of the Cebu BRT project; (2) inquire from the Investment Coordination Committee (ICC) of NEDA regarding the status of approval of the revised scope and cost of the Cebu BRT; (3) inquire from the Department of Finance, and NEDA their decision on any changes that had been made in the loan agreements with World Bank-IBRD, the Clean Technology Fund, and the *Agence Francaise de Développement*; (4) ask DOTr to reconsider its decision and implement the Cebu BRT as originally designed and approved; and (5) appeal to DOTr to enact a Bill for the construction of a monorail or such other appropriate mass transport system in Cebu City and Metro Cebu.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE DEL MAR

On motion of Representative Bagatsing, there being no objection, the Body referred the privilege speech of Representative Del Mar to the Committee on Rules.

TERMINATION OF THE PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Representative Bagatsing, there being no objection, the Body terminated the Privilege Hour.

CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF CERTAIN MEASURES

On motion of Representative Crisologo, there being no objection, the Body approved the change of referral of the following measures to the committees specified hereunder:

1. House Bills No. 2145 and 3729 – from the Committee on Poverty Alleviation to the Committees on Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Development, and Poverty Alleviation;

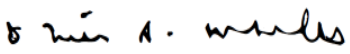
2. House Bills No. 606, 1118, 1192, 1241, 1309, 2087, 2447, 2559, 2613, 2685, 3181, 3337, and 3376 – from the Committee on Basic Education and Culture to the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Higher and Technical Education;
3. House Bills No. 303, 545, 2545, 2867, 2875, and 3277 – from the Committee on Youth and Sports Development to the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Youth and Sports Development;
4. House Bill No. 3522 – from the Committee on Health to the Committee on Local Government;
5. House Resolution No. 170 – from the Committee on Trade and Industry to the Committee on Rules; and
6. House Resolution No. 171 – from the Committee on Health to the Committee on Rules.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Crisologo, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until five o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, August 28, 2019.

It was 8:29 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES
Secretary General

Approved on September 2, 2019.

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MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE

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* ABANTE	BORDADO	DY (F.)
ABAYA	BRAVO	DY (F.M.C.)
ABELLANOSA	BROSAS	DY (I.P.)
** ABU	BULUT	EBCAS
ABUEG-ZALDIVAR	*** BUSTOS	ECLEO
ABUNDA	** CABATBAT	ELAGO
ACOP	CABOCHAN	ENVERGA
ACOSTA	CABREDO	**** ERICE
** ACOSTA-ALBA	** CAGAS	**** ERIGUEL
*** ADIONG	CALDERON	** ERMITA-BUHAIN
** ADVINCULA	CALIXTO	* ESCUDERO
AGABAS	CAMINERO	ESPINA
** AGARAO	CAMPOS	ESPINO
AGLIPAY	CANAMA	ESTRELLA
AGUINALDO	CAOAGDAN	** FARIÑAS (R.C.)
** ALBANO (A.)	CARI	FARIÑAS I (R.C.)
*** ALBANO (R.)	CASTELO	FERNANDEZ
** ALMARIO	CASTRO (F.L.)	FERNANDO
** ALONTE	CASTRO (F.H.)	FERRER (J.M.)
**** ALVAREZ (F.)	CAYETANO (A.P.)	FERRER (L.)
ALVAREZ (G.)	CAYETANO (M.L.)	FLORES
ALVAREZ (P.)	CELESTE	FONGWAN
AMANTE-MATBA	CHATTO	FORTUN
AMATONG	** CHIPECO	**** FORTUNO
ANDAYA	** CHUNGALAO	** FRASCO
ANGARA	CO (A.N.)	FUENTEBELLA
ARAGONES	* CO (E.)	GAITE
ARBISON	**** COJUANGCO	GARBIN
**** ARENAS	COLLANTES	**** GARCIA (J.E.)
ARROYO	CRISOLOGO	GARCIA (P.J.)
ATIENZA	** CUA	GARCIA (V.)
AUMENTADO	CUARESMA	GARIN (J.)
BABASA	CUEVA	GARIN (S.)
BAGATSING	CULLAMAT	GASATAYA
BALINDONG	DAGOOC	* GATCHALIAN
BARBA	** DALIPE	GATO
BARBERS	DALOG	GERON
BARONDA	** DAZA	GO (E.C.)
BARZAGA	DE JESUS	GO (M.)
BASCUG	DE VENECIA	GONZAGA
BAUTISTA	DEFENSOR (L.)	** GONZALES (A.)
** BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN	** DEFENSOR (M.)	GONZALES (N.)
BELMONTE	DEL MAR	GONZALEZ
BENITEZ	DELOS SANTOS	* GORRICETA
BERNOS	* DELOSO-MONTALLA	GUICO
BIAZON	**** DIMAPORO (A.)	GULLAS
* BILLONES	DIMAPORO (M.K.)	GUYA
BIRON	**** DUAVIT	** HARESCO
BOLILIA	DUJALI	HATAMAN
BONDOC	** DUTERTE	HERNANDEZ

HERRERA-DY	PACQUIAO (A.)	SUAREZ (D.)
** HOFER	PACQUIAO (R.)	**** SUNTAY
JALOSJOS	**** PADIERNOS	SY-ALVARADO
JAVIER	PADUANO	TADURAN
JIMENEZ	PALMA	* TALLADO
KHO (E.)	PANCHO	TAMBUNTING
KHO (W.)	PANOTES	TAN (A.S.)
KHONGHUN	PEÑA	* TAN (A.)
** LABADLABAD	**** PICHAY	*** TAN (S.)
LACSON	PIMENTEL	**** TAN (S.A.)
LACSON-NOEL	PINEDA	*** TAN-TAMBUT
LAGMAN	PLAZA	TEJADA
LAGON	PUNO	TEVES (A.)
LARA	** QUIMBO	TEVES (J.)
**** LAZATIN	RADAZA	TIANGCO
* LEACHON	** RAMIREZ-SATO	TOLENTINO
LEGARDA	RAMOS	TORRES-GOMEZ
LIM	REMULLA	TULFO
** LIMKAICHONG	REVILLA	TUPAS
LOPEZ	REYES	** TUTOR
LOYOLA	RIVERA	TY
MACAPAGAL ARROYO	ROBES	UMALI (A.)
MACEDA	** RODRIGUEZ	UMALI (M.V.)
**** MADRONA	*** ROMAN	UNABIA
MALAPITAN	**** ROMERO	** UNGAB
MANGAOANG	ROMUALDEZ (F.M.)	UY (J.)
MANGUDADATU	** ROMUALDEZ (Y.M.)	UY (R.)
MARCOLETA	ROMUALDO	VALERIANO
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MARIÑO	ROQUE	* VARGAS
MARQUEZ	SACDALAN	** VARGAS ALFONSO
MARTINEZ	SAGARBARRIA	VELASCO
MATBA	**** SAKALURAN	VELOSO
MATUGAS	SALCEDA	*** VERGARA
**** MENDOZA	SALIMBANGON	VILLA
** MOMO	*** SALO	** VILLAFUERTE
NATIVIDAD-NAGAÑO	*** SANCHEZ	VILLANUEVA (E.)
**** NAVA	SANGCOPAN	VILLANUEVA (N.)
NIETO	**** SANTOS-RECTO	** VILLAR
NOEL	SARMIENTO	VILLARAZA-SUAREZ
NOGRALES (J.J.)	SAULOG	VILLARICA
NOGRALES (J.F.F.)	SAVELLANO	VIOLAGO
NOLASCO	SIAO	YAP (E.)
NUÑEZ-MALANYAON	SILVERIO	YAP (V.)
OAMINAL	SINGSON	** YU
OLIVAREZ	SINGSON-MEEHAN	ZAMORA (R.)
ONG (J.)	SINSUAT	ZAMORA (W.K.)
ONG (R.)	SUANSING (E.)	ZARATE
ORTEGA	SUANSING (H.)	ZUBIRI
OUANO-DIZON	SUAREZ (A.)	

* Appeared after the Roll Call

** Section 71, Rule XI of the Rules of the House

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On official mission as approved by the Speaker)

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

**** Absent without notice

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