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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ____964

Introduced by HON. ANTHONY PETER "ONYX" D. CRISOLOGO,

A RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE SUDDEN EMERGENCE OF FAKE FACEBOOK ACCOUNTS IN THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, on June 7, 2020, a surge of fake Facebook accounts caught the attention of many Facebook users.

WHEREAS, the unforeseen proliferation of dummy Facebook accounts is compromising the right of the people to privacy, and is causing great alarm to the general public.

WHEREAS, one of the strategies of the government to combat the spread of COVID-19 is through information dissemination using various platforms including social media.

WHEREAS, the circulation of false information could destroy the integrity of the information ecology of the country and could worsen the current public health crisis.

WHEREAS, it is significant to look into the intention of the perpetrators behind the fake accounts to be able to make the appropriate and necessary actions.

WHEREAS, Facebook Philippines should explain the nature of this incident and review their protocols to ensure the protection of its users, the security of their data, and to identify the weaknesses of their system.

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the government to protect the welfare of its people and to immediately act on issues that breach their right to privacy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, to urge the Committee on Information and Communications Technology, and other appropriate committees to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, on the sudden emergence of fake Facebook accounts in the country.

Adopted, June 8, 2020.

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