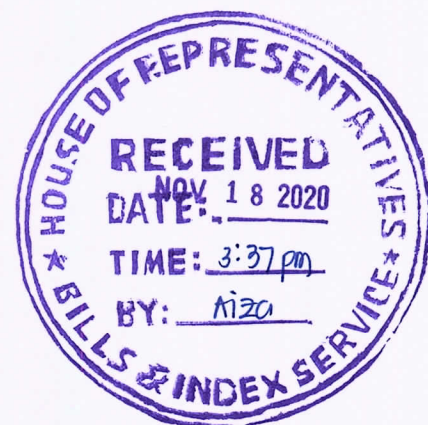


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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1366



Introduced by
SENIOR CITIZENS Party-List REP. RODOLFO "OMPONG" M. ORDANES

RESOLUTION

CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF THE SECOND TRANCHE OF THE APPROVED INCREASE IN SOCIAL SECURITY PENSION UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997 BY THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS)

WHEREAS, on 16 January 2017, the House of Representatives approved House Joint Resolution (HJR) No. 10 entitled "*Joint Resolution Increasing the Monthly Pension of the Social Security System Pensioners under the Social Security Act of 1997*" on third and final reading;

WHEREAS, on 22 February 2017, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte approved the two thousand pesos (PhP 2,000) increase in SSS monthly pension through a memorandum signed by Executive Secretary Salvador Medialdea;

WHEREAS, HJR No. 10 provided for the increase of monthly pensioners by two thousand pesos (PhP 2,000) under the Social Security Act of 1997 to be given in two (2) tranches. The first tranche amounting to one thousand pesos (PhP 1,000) to be given on January 2017 while the second tranche amounting to one thousand pesos (PhP 1,000) to be given on January 2019;

WHEREAS, even with the approval of Congress and the President himself, the implementation of the second tranche increase of the Social Security Pension remains to be in limbo;

WHEREAS, as of 2020, two million one hundred fifty thousand (2,150,000) SSS pensioners are at high risk and fail to properly cope with the consecutive tragedies befalling our country from a global pandemic, an economic recession, massive floods, and super typhoons due to the undue delay in the implementation of the second tranche increase of the Social Security Pension;

WHEREAS, the immediate implementation of the one thousand pesos (PhP 1,000) second tranche increase of the Social Security Pension will greatly ease the economic suffering of our senior citizens and is indispensable to their continued survival, especially during these turbulent times;

WHEREAS, the continued delay in the above-said implementation runs contrary to the mandate of the SSS under Republic Act No. 8282 or the Social Security Act of 1997 which mandates SSS to promote social justice and provide meaningful protection to its members and their beneficiaries;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the appropriate committee of the House of Representatives conducts a review and investigation, in aid of legislation, call for the immediate release of the second tranche of the approved increase in Social Security Pension under the Social Security Act of 1997 by the Social Security System.

Adopted,


HON. RODOLFO "OMPONG" M. ORDANES