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# **SENATE BILLS**

#### Senate Bill No. 1701

"AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6713, ALSO KNOWN AS AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CODE OF CONDUCT AND ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND BEING A PUBLIC TRUST, GRANTING INCENTIVES AND REWARDS FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE, ENUMERATING PROHIBITED ACTS AND TRANSACTIONS AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

#### Senate Bill No. 1702

"AN ACT TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN FIREARMS ESPECIALLY USEFUL TO TERRORISTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Orders and Illegal Drugs

#### Senate Bill No. 1703

"AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, ALSO KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM BY THE EMPLOYER LAW, AS AMENDED, INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR NON-REMITTANCE OF CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM BY THE EMPLOYER"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises

"AN ACT REQUIRING CERTAIN FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO POST TRANSACTION FEES FOR EACH AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINE TRANSACTION; AND RESTRICTING TRANSACTION FEES FOR AUTOMATED TELLER MACHINES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

#### Senate Bill No. 1705

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF 'ASPARTAME' ON FOOD, BEVERAGES AND DRUGS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1706

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARIES OF HEALTH AND LABOR TO ISSUE REGULATIONS TO ELIMINATE OR MINIMIZE THE SIGNIFICANT RISK OF NEEDLESTICK INJURY TO HEALTH CARE WORKERS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demograph; and Finance

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

"AN ACT AGGRAVATING THE PUNISHMENT FOR THE CRIME OF RECKLESS IMPRUDENCE IF COMMITTED BY A PERSON DRIVING A MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR PROHIBITED DRUGS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

#### Senate Bill No. 1709

"AN ACT MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR A PERSON TO DRIVE A MOTOR VEHICLE IF A TELEVISION RECEIVER, A VIDEO MONITOR, OR A TELEVISION OR VIDEO SCREEN, OR ANY OTHER SIMILAR MEANS OF VISUALLY DISPLAYING A TELEVISION BROADCAST OR VIDEO SIGNAL THAT PRODUCES ENTERTAINMENT OR BUSINESS APPLICATIONS, IS OPERATING AND IS LOCATED IN THE MOTOR VEHICLE AT ANY POINT FORWARD OF THE BACK OF THE DRIVER'S SEAT, OR IS OPERATING AND VISIBLE TO THE DRIVER WHILE HE OR SHE IS DRIVING THE MOTOR VEHICLE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee Public Services

#### Senate Bill No. 1710

"AN ACT TO IMPROVE PUBLIC AWARENESS REGARDING SAFE USE OF THE INTERNET THROUGH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN OFFICE OF INTERNET SAFETY AND PUBLIC AWARENESS WITHIN THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1711

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MINIMUM STANDARDS REGARDING THE QUALITY OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICE AND TO MONITOR COMPLAINTS REGARDING SUCH SERVICE"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Trade Commerce

"AN ACT PENALIZING ANY PERSON WHO INDUCES OR CAUSES ANOTHER TO USE A FICTITIOUS NAME, OR CONCEALS HIS TRUE NAME, OR USURPS THE CIVIL STATUS OF ANOTHER PERSON, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 178 AND 348 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights

#### Senate Bill No. 1713

"AN ACT TO PROHIBIT DECEPTIVE CONDUCT IN THE RATING OF VIDEO AND COMPUTER GAMES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

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"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A SCIENCE START GRANT PROGRAM"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1715

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR UNIFORM WARNINGS ON PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR OCCUPATIONAL USE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor Employment and Human Resources Development

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor Employment and Human Resources Development; Health and Demography; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1718

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC EDUCATION ON PROSTATE CANCER"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor Employment and Human Resources Development

#### Senate Bill No. 1720

"AN ACT GRANTING PRIORITY TO HONOR GRADUATES OF STATE COLLEGES AND STATE UNIVERSITIES IN THE APPOINTMENT OF CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

#### Senate Bill No. 1721

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE SAFE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1722

"AN ACT TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS FOR SUPERVISED VISITATION CENTERS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Local Government; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1723

"AN ACT AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987 BY PROHIBITING A PERSON FROM BEING APPOINTED AS THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE WITHIN THE NEXT THREE (3) YEARS AFTER RELIEF, SEPARATION OR RETIREMENT FROM ACTIVE DUTY AS A COMMISSIONED OFFICER OF THE ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES (AFP)"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on National Defense and Security

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# DRIVE IN THE RIGHT-HAND LANE FOR TRAFFIC OR AS CLOSE AS PRACTICABLE TO THE RIGHT-HAND EDGE OR CURB"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Finance

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health Demograhy; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1726

"AN ACT PROTECTING CONSUMERS OF WIRELESS TELEPHONE SERVICES"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Trade Commerce

#### Senate Bill No. 1727

"AN ACT PENALIZING VIOLATIONS OF QUARANTINE ORDERS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1728

"AN ACT CREATING A TOXIC WASTE INFORMATION CLEARINGHOUSE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Environment and Natural Resources; and Health and Demography

"AN ACT PROVIDING A NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF INSTRUCTION IN THE HUMANITIES IN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FLEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services and Environment Natural Resources; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1731

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TECHNICAL PREPARATION EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1732

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR FREE COLLEGE EDUCATION IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

"AN ACT TO DIRECT THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE TO REQUIRE THE DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE FAIR MARKET VALUE AND SAFETY OF DAMAGED MOTOR VEHICLES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Services

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"AN ACT REQUIRING USED CAR DEALERS TO PROVIDE CONSUMERS WITH A WRITTEN WARRANTY AGAINST DEFECTS AND REQUIRING PRIVATE SELLERS TO DISCLOSE ANY KNOWN USE OR SAFETY DEFECTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1735

"AN ACT CREATING OFFICE ERGONOMIC STANDARDS TO ADDRESS THE HEALTH RISKS RELATED TO COMPUTER USE IN THE WORKPLACE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development

#### Senate Bill No. 1736

"AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF GOVERNMENT OWNED AND ISSUED VEHICLES"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

#### Senate Bill No. 1737

"AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, ALSO KNOWN AS AN ACT IMPOSING MOTOR VEHICLES USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, SECTION 6 ON THE PENALTY FOR OVERLOADING"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Ways and Means

#### Senate Bill No. 1738

"AN ACT COMMISSIONING A RESEARCH ON CLIMATE CHANGE DRINKING WATER ADAPTATION"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) Environment and Natural Resources; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1739

"AN ACT TO PROMOTE THE SPIRITUAL, PHYSICAL AND MORAL WELL BEING FOR THE FILIPINO YOUTH, AMENDING SECTIONS 329, 389 AND 426 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Youth, Women and Family Relations

#### Senate Bill No. 1740

"AN ACT REQUIRING DISCLOSURE OF ENVIRONMENTAL RECORD OF APPLICANTS FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATE"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

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THE PRESENCE OF NON-MEDICAL PERSONNEL DURING SURGERY"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1742

"AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE REGULATORY FUNCTIONS OF THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION (POEA), AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8042, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MIGRANT WORKERS AND OVERSEAS FILIPINOS ACT OF 1995"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Foreign Relations

#### Senate Bill No. 1743

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"AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE, PURCHASE AND STORAGE OF ELEMENTAL MERCURY BY SCHOOLS""

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Health Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1744

"AN ACT TO REQUIRE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO HAVE MEDICAL AND DENTAL RECORDS OF THEIR STUDENTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture

#### Senate Bill No. 1745

"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF CELLULAR OR MOBILE TELEPHONES IN CERTAIN PUBLIC AREAS OF HOSPITALS, MEDICAL CENTERS, OR ANY OTHER TREATMENT CENTER"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- > Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

"AN ACT TO PREVENT DEATHS CAUSED BY DRUG OVERDOSE"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1747

"AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; Public Services; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1748

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF THE NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; Civil Service and Government Reorganization; and Finance

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"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REWARDS FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING TERRORISM PROGRAM"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

"AN ACT PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS AND MEMBERS OF THE LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA, AND BARANGAY EMPLOYEES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; and Ways and Means

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on National Defense and Security

#### Senate Bill No. 1752

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Services

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganization

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Civil Service and Government Reorganization; Justice and Human Rights; and Finance

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1756

"AN ACT REGULATING BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1757

"AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH TO DESIGNATE HEALTH EMPOWERMENT ZONES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1758

"AN ACT REGULATING CHILD CARE CENTERS"

Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago

Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

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"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM FOR TO ASSIST INNOVATIVE NATURAL DISASTER FIRST RESPONDER PROGRAMS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Local Government; National Defense and Security; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1760

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Order And Illegal Drugs

#### Senate Bill No. 1761

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CODE OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR THE PRACTICE OF POLITICAL PUBLIC RELATIONS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Ways and Means

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Local Government

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"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE DISTRIBUTION TO THE PUBLIC OF VIOLENT VIDEO PROGRAMMING DURING HOURS WHEN CHILDREN ARE REASONABLY LIKELY TO COMPRISE A SUBSTANTIAL PORTION OF THE AUDIENCE"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Information and Mass Media

#### Senate Bill No. 1765

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH ADVERTISING REQUIREMENTS FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Information and Mass Media; and Trade and Commerce

"AN ACT REQUIRING THAT FIREARMS SOLD, MANUFACTURED OR IMPORTED BE MADE CHILD-PROOF"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Order and Illegal Drugs; and Trade and Commerce

#### Senate Bill No. 1767

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FLEXIBLE WORKING SCHEDULE IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, THEREBY AMENDING ARTICLES 83, 85 AND 87 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resource Development

#### Senate Bill No. 1768

"AN ACT REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A GUN SAFETY EDUCATION PROGRAM AND INCLUDE THIS IN THE CURRICULUM OF ALL ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Asrts and Culture; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1769

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL REGISTRY OF DISEASES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Finance

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1771

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

#### Senate Bill No. 1772

"AN ACT DEFINING WHO ARE INSTITUTIONALIZED PERSONS AND PENALIZING THEIR MALTREATMENT"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development

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"AN ACT REQUIRING A DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ON THE USE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR DISSEMINATING PUBLIC INFORMATION"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Information and Mass Media; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1774

"AN ACT PROVIDING CHILDREN PROTECTION AGAINST ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTANTS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; Health and Demography; and Finance

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Edutaton, Arts and Culture

#### Senate Bill No. 1778

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Justice and Human Rights; and Constitutional Amendments, Revision and Codes and Laws

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Climate Change; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1780

"AN ACT REQUIRING COSMETIC PACKAGING TO BEAR A WARNING LABEL WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN INGREDIENTS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- > Referred to the Committee on Civil Service and Government Reorganizationi

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Trade and Commerce

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; Ways and Means; and Finance

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- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Agriculture and Food

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

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- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1791

"AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 386, ALSO KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, ARTICLE 952 ON LEGACIES AND DEVICES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, Revision of Codes and Laws

#### Senate Bill No. 1792

"AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER'S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Public Works

#### Senate Bill No. 1793

"AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies

#### Senate Bill No. 1794

"AN ACT REQUIRING CHEMICAL TESTING FOR PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; and Health Demographjy

#### Senate Bill No. 1795

# "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A GRANT PROGRAM FOR PREDISASTER HAZARD MITIGATION ENCHANCEMENT"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on National Defense and Security; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1796

"AN ACT REGULATING THE USE OF DESCRIPTIVE TERMS IN FOOD PRODUCTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1797

"AN ACT TO REGULATE FERTILIZER INGREDIENTS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Trade and Commerce; and Health and Demography

#### Senate Bill No. 1798

"AN ACT PROTECTING DOLPHINS BY INFORMING CONSUMERS OF THE ORIGIN OF TUNA PRODUCTS"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Agriculture and Food; and Trade and Commerce

#### Senate Bill No. 1799

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GREEN ENERGY FOR HOMES AND BUILDINGS PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO PROMOTE RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, AND INDUSTRIAL SCALE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND ON-SITE RENEWABLE TECHNOLOGIES"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- > Referred to the Committee(s) on Energy and Finance

"AN ACT IDENTIFYING AND PROMOTING RESEARCH ON THE HEALTH IMPLICATIONS OF BREAST IMPLANTS"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Health and Demography; Youth, Women and Family Relations; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1801

"AN ACT TO ENABLE PHILIPPINE SCHOOLS TO USE COMPUTER HARDWARE TO INCREASE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND PREPARE STUDENTS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY WORKPLACE"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

#### Senate Bill No. 1802

"AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A "PARENTS AS PARTNERS IN LEARNING PROGRAM"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance

# PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

#### **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 170**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE COUNTRY'S DISMAL PERFORMANCE IN ACHIEVING THE MILLENIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS (MDGS) PARTICULARLY IN POVERTY REDUCTION AND MATERNAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENT"

- > Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensor-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; and Health and Demography

#### **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 171**

"RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE TO JOIN THE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS AND PARLIAMENTS AROUND THE WORLD IN CELEBRATING THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DEMOCRACY ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2010 WITH THE THEME, POLITICAL ACCOUNTABILITY: FORGING LINKS PARLIAMENTS AND CITIZENS"

- > Introduced by Senator Franklin Drilon
- Referred to the Committee on Rules.

# **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 172**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS (BLUE RIBBON) TO INQUIRE AND INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE RECENT REPORTS OF ARCHBISHOP EMERITUS OSCAR V. CRUZ ALLEGING THAT HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS IN THE AQUINO ADMINISTRATION ARE RECEIVING PAYOFFS FROM JUETENG"

- > Introduced by Senator Teofisto "TG" Guingona III
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations; Local Government; and Rules

### **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 173**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALLEGED FRAUDULENT HOUSING LOANS APPLICATIONS AMOUNTING TO SEVEN BILLION PESOS (P7B) OBTAINED BY THE GLOBE ASIATIQUE REALTY HOLDINGS CORPORATION FROM THE HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND (PAG-IBIG FUND), AND INSTITUTE REMEDIAL MEASURES TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF PAG-IBIG MEMBERS"

- Introduced by Senator Ferdinand "Bong" Marcos, Jr.
- Referred to the Committee on Banks, Financial Institutions and Currencies; and Urban, Planning Housing and Resettlement

## **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 174**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PLIGHT OF VICTIMS OF TROPICAL STORM ONDOY AND TYPHOON PEPENG, IN ORDER TO BUILD THE RESILIENCE OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS TO FUTURE DISASTERS"

- Introduced by Senator Loren Legarda
- > Referred to the Committee on Climate Change

# **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 175**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE GOVERNMENTS POLICIES AND PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS THE VULNERABILITY OF THE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES SECTOR TO THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE CHANGE WITH THE END IN VIEW OF INSTITUTING ROBUST ADAPTATION STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE FOOD SECURITY AND ALLEVIATE RURAL POVERTY"

- Introduced by Senator Loren Legarda
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Climate Change; and Agriculture and Food

## **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 176**

"RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES, AND OTHER APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES IN THE SENATE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE POLICIES AND REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTED BY OUR GOVERNMENT WITH REGARD TO THE USE OF TRICYCLES AND PEDICABS RUNNING ALONG OUR MAJOR THOROUGHFARES AND ARTERIALS ROADS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROTECTING THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF OUR COMMUTING PUBLIC"

- > Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" Lapid
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Public Services; and Local Government

## **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 177**

"RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE SEVEN-DELEGATE FILIPINO BOXING TEAM OF THE AMATEUR BOXING ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES FOR EMERGING VICTORIOUS, AFTER WINNING FIVE GOLD AND TWO SILVER MEDALS, IN THE 2010 ANNUAL BLUE AND GOLD BOXING TOURNAMENT AT THE MAYWOOD CITY SPORTS COMPLEX IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FROM 2-5 SEPTEMBER 2010"

- > Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" Lapid
- Referred to the Committee on Rules.

# **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 178**

"RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINO CUE ARTISTS DENNIS 'ROBOCOP' ORCOLLO AND ROBERTO 'PINOY SUPERMAN' GOMEZ FOR FINISHING SECOND IN THE 2010 PARTYPOKER.NET WORLD CUP OF POOL ON 7 TO 12 SEPTEMBER 2010 AT MANILA, PHILIPPINES"

- Introduced by Senator Manuel "Lito" Lapid
- > Referred to the Committee on Rules

## **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 179**

"RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE PHILIPPINE SENATE THAT THE UNFORTUNATE RECENT MANILA HOSTAGE

EVENT SHOULD BE SETTLED UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW WITHOUT NEED OF PROVOCATIVE STATEMENTS FROM A CERTAIN OFFICIAL OF THE HONGKONG ADMINISTRATIVE REGION"

- Introduced by Senator Miriam Defensr-Santiago
- Referred to the Committee on Rules

#### **Proposed Senate Resolution No. 180**

"RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN PARTICULAR THE BOARD OF INVESTMENT, PHILIPPINE EXPORT PROCESSING ZONE AUTHORITY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE TO REVIEW THE LIST OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES ELIGIBLE FOR INCENTIVES VIS-A-VIS THE FEASIBILITY OF INCLUDING TELEVISION, FILM, THEATER AND DIGITAL ARTS SECTORS TO PROMOTE THE GROWTH OF CREATIVE MEDIA IN THE COUNTRY"

- Introduced by Senator Manny Villar
- Referred to the Committee(s) on Education, Arts and Culture; and Public Information and Mass Media

# COMMITTEE REPORT

#### Committee Report No. 1 on SBN 2486

"AN ACT STRENGTHEN AND PROPAGATE FOSTER CARE FR ABUSED, ABANDONED, NEGLECTED AND OTHER CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL"

- Sponsored by Senator(s) Francis N. Pangilinan, Compañera Pia S. Cayetano, Ralph G. Recto and Franklin M. Drilon
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

#### Committee Report No. 2 on SBN 107

"AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO SUBMIT A WRITTEN PERMISSION OR WAIVER IN FAVOR OF THE OMBUDSMAN TO LOOK INTO ALL DEPOSITS OF WHATEVER NATURE WITH BANKS OR BANKING INSTITUTIONS BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE PHILIPPINES INCLUDING INVESTMENT BONDS ISSUED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PHILIPPINES, ITS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND INSTRUMENTALITIES AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR"

- Sponsored bySenator Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

# Committee Report No. 3 on SBN 138

"AN ACT REQUIRING MANDATORY BASIC IMMUNIZATION SERVICES AGAINST HEPATITIS-B FOR INFANTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 996 AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- > Introduced by Senator Pia S. Cayetano
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

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