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#### SENATE BILLS ON FIRST READING

**SBN 1625** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT BENEFIT SYSTEM IN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN, AUGMENTING ITS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- > Introduced by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- ➤ Referred to the Committee(s) on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and FINANCE

**SBN 1626** "AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR GENERAL BY INCREASING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND REDEFINING, EXPANDING, AND RATIONALIZING ITS ORGANIZATION, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9417, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2327, AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NOS. 1 AND 2, S. 1986, AUGMENTING ITS EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- > Introduced by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- Referred to the Committee(s) on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; WAYS AND MEANS and FINANCE

**SBN 1627** "AN ACT CREATING THE LAKE LANAO DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND DUTIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- Referred to the Committee(s) on GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES; ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; WAYS AND MEANS; and FINANCE;

**SBN 1628** "AN ACT STREAMLINING THE PROCESS FOR THE ADMISSION OF DRUG DEPENDENTS IN GOVERNMENT DRUG REHABILITATION FACILITIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 3, 54, 77 AND 81 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002"

- > Introduced by Senator VICENTE C. SOTTO III
- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

**SBN 1629** "AN ACT WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES ON THE ISSUANCE OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED IN THE APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT OF FIRST TIME JOBSEEKERS"

> Substituted by Committee Report No. 191

**SBN 1630** "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF MICROBIOLOGY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F. ZUBIRI
- Referred to the Committee(s) on CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY; and FINANCE

**SBN 1631** "AN ACT INSTITUTING FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AS AN INDEPENDENT AGENCY AND SEPARATE FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3720, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9711, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE"

- > Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee(s) on CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

**SBN 1632** "AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN BY ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT BENEFIT SYSTEM FOR THE OMBUDSMAN, HIS/HER DEPUTIES, THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR, AND OTHER OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES PERFORMING LEGAL, PROSECUTION, INVESTIGATION AND CORRUPTION PREVENTION

FUNCTIONS, AUGMENTING EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- Referred to the Committee(s) on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and FINANCE

**SBN 1633** "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 9 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1586 BY INCREASING THE PENALTIES THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Substituted by Committee Report No. 197

**SBN 1634** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MANDATORY DOMESTIC PROCESSING OF ALL MINERAL ORES BEFORE EXPORTATION AND A CERTIFICATION SHOWING PRESENCE OR LACK OF RARE EARTH ELEMENTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7942 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE MINING ACT OF 1995 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

> Substituted by Committee Report No. 197

**SBN 1635** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION AND ABOLISHING THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9054 ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO' AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734 ENTITLED 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Withdrawn (1/15/2018)

**SBN 1636** "AN ACT REQUIRING PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES TO PROVIDE NATIONWIDE MOBILE NUMBER PORTABILITY TO SUBSCRIBERS"

Substituted by Committee Report No. 213

**SBN 1637** "AN ACT CREATING A NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD, PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

Substituted by Committee Report No. 218

**SBN 1638** "AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSMAN BY ESTABLISHING A RETIREMENT BENEFIT SYSTEM FOR THE OMBUDSMAN, HIS/HER DEPUTIES, THE SPECIAL PROSECUTOR, AND OTHER OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES PERFORMING LEGAL, PROSECUTION, INVESTIGATION AND CORRUPTION PREVENTION FUNCTIONS, AUGMENTING EMPLOYEES' BENEFITS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- ➤ Introduced by Senator PANFILO M. LACSON
- > Referred to the Committee(s) on JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS; CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION; and FINANCE

#### PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

**PSRN 553** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ENTRY AND DUMPING OF HARMFUL TRASH FROM CANADA INTO THE PHILIPPINES WITH THE END IN VIEW OF DETERMINING WHETHER THERE ARE SUFFICIENT LEGAL SAFEGUARDS AGAINST INDISCRIMINATE ENTRY OF SOLID WASTE AND OTHER FORMS OF HARMFUL TRASH INTO THE PHILIPPINES"

- > Introduced by Senator AQUILINO "KOKO" L. PIMENTEL III
- > Referred to the Committee(s) on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES; and FOREIGN RELATIONS

**PSRN 554** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REAL STATUS OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLE (PUV) MODERNIZATION PROGRAM CONSIDERING ITS IMPACT ON THE TRANSPORT SECTOR AND THE COMMUTING PUBLIC"

- > Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- > Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES

**PSRN 555** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED OUTBREAK OF RICE BLACK BUGS WITH THE END IN VIEW OF RECOMMENDING MEASURES TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO AFFECTED FARMERS AND HELP THE WHOLE AGRICULTURE SECTOR ADDRESS THE PROBLEM"

- Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- > Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

PSRN 556 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PUBLIC UTILITY VEHICLE MODERNIZATION PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF CRAFTING AN ALTERNATIVE POLICY TO ADDRESS THE CONCERNS OF DRIVERS AND OPERATORS AFFECTED, AND IMPLEMENTING A JUST TRANSITION AND MODERNIZATION PROGRAM THAT WILL PROVIDE VIABLE, EFFICIENT, FAST, SAFE, AND SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS IN THE COUNTRY"

- Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- > Referred to the Committee on PUBLIC SERVICES

**PSRN 557** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE DENGUE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH VIS-ÀVIS THE SANOFI PASTEUR'S NEW CLINICAL FINDINGS ON THE VACCINE DENGVAXIA'S ADVERSE EFFECTS TO ITS RECIPIENTS"

- > Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committees on HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY; and ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATION

**PSRN 558** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF SIKATUNA IN THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL FOR CELEBRATING ITS 100TH FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY ON DECEMBER 05, 2017"

- ➤ Introduced by Senators VICVENTE C. SOTTO III, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV, MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY, FRANKLIN M. DRILON, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO, SHERWIN T. GATCHALIAN, RICHARD J. GORDON, GREGORIO B. HONASAN II, RISA HONTIVEROS, PANFILO M. LACSON, EMMANUEL "MANNY" D. PACQUIAO, FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN, AQUILINO "KOKO" L. PIMENTEL III, ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV, JOEL VILLANUEVA, CYNTHIA A. VILLAR and JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F. ZUBIRI
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

**PSRN 559** RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, IN THE IMPACT OF LARGE-SCALE MINING PARTICULARLY IN THE ISLAND OF MANICANI, GUIUAN, EASTERN SAMAR, WITH THE END VIEW OF CRAFTING LEGISLATIVE MEASURES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE INTERVENTIONS FOR THE UTILIZATION, MANAGEMENT, DEVELOPMENT, CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT"

- ➤ Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- Referred to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

PSRN 560 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE STATUS OF THE PROGRAMS OF THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY CONSISTENT WITH THE PURSUIT OF THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE COCONUT INDUSTRY BY FINALIZING THE COCONUT FARMER'S REGISTRY AND INDUSTRY ROAD MAP, WITH THE INTENTION OF PROMOTING THE COCONUT INDUSTRY AND INCREASING THE INCOME OF THE COCONUT FARMERS TO BRING THEM OUT OF POVERTY"

- > Introduced by Senator CYNTHIA A. VILLAR
- Referred to the Committee on AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

**PSRN 561** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED FAULTS IN THE SYSTEM, IF ANY, RESULTING TO THE MISUSE OF GOVERNMENT FUNDS FOR ITS ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY PROJECT COVERED BY ALLEGED SPURIOUS LAND TITLES IN GENERAL SANTOS CITY"

- Introduced by Senator EMMANUEL "MANNY" D. PACQUIAO
- Referred to the Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS; and PUBLIC WORKS

**PSRN 562** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MARK 'MAGNIFICO' MAGSAYO FOR DEFENDING HIS WBO INTERNATIONAL FEATHERWEIGHT TITLE AGAINST THE JAPANESE SHOTA HAYASHI ON NOVEMBER 25, 2017 IN TAGBILARAN CITY, BOHOL"

- > Introduced by Senator JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO
- > Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 74

PSRN 563 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE REPORTED DANGER OF THE SCHOOL-BASED DENGUE VACCINATION PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DOH) WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF CRAFTING MEASURES THAT WILL ENSURE THE SAFETY AND EFFICACY OF GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS; STRENGTHEN PARTICIPATORY AND TRANSPARENT GOVERNANCE; AND HOLD ACCOUNTABLE PERTINENT GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND PHARMACEUTICAL MANUFACTURERS IN THIS REGARD"

- > Introduced by Senator GRACE L. POE
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS; and HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

**PSRN 564** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE RP BLU GIRLS FOR WINNING THE SILVER MEDAL AT THE 2017 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIP HELD IN TAICHUNG, TAIWAN FROM 29 NOVEMBER TO 4 DECEMBER 2017"

- Introduced by Senator JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F. ZUBIRI
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

**PSRN 565** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMMUNIZATION PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH"

- Introduced by Senator MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
- Referred to the Committee(s) on ACCOUNTABILITY OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND INVESTIGATIONS; and HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY

PSRN 566 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE 11 OCTOBER 2017 KILLINGS IN BARANGAY 19, TONDO, MANILA, AS CAPTURED BY SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS, AND FOR THE SENATE TO URGE THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE TO PUBLICLY CONDEMN AND CENSURE THE ACTS OF STATION COMMANDER SANTIAGO PASCUAL OF READILY UNDERMINING EYEWITNESS TESTIMONIES AND VIDEO EVIDENCE, AS ACTS CONTRARY TO THE MANDATE AND OATH OF A POLICE OFFICER, BOTH WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING STRONGER AND MORE EFFECTIVE MEASURES THAT WILL ENSURE THAT STATE AGENTS ARE DISCHARGING THEIR OPERATIONS LEGITIMATELY, AND WITHOUT INTENTIONAL OR KNOWINGLY RECKLESS AND DEPRAVED DISREGARD FOR LIFE"

- > Introduced by Senator LEILA M. DE LIMA
- Referred to the Committee(s) on PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS; and JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS

PSRN 567 "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND HEALTH IMPACTS OF THE REPORTED COLLAPSE OF A PORTION OF THE OPEN-PIT COAL MINE IN SEMIRARA ISLAND, ANTIQUE; THE POWER PLANT OIL LEAK IN CALAPAN CITY, ORIENTAL MINDORO; AND THE POWER PLANT ASH LEAK IN CONCEPCION, ILOILO WITH THE END VIEW OF ENCOURAGING OVERSIGHT FROM ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES"

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- Referred to the Committee on ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

**PSRN 568** "RESOLUTION HONORING CONTEMPORARY ARTIST DAVID MEDALLA WHO CONTINUES TO BRING HONOR TO THE NATION AND TO THE FILIPINO PEOPLE, RECOGNIZING HIS REMARKABLE CONTRIBUTIONS AS PIONEER IN THE KINETIC, PARTICIPATORY, AND EARTH ART MOVEMENTS, IN THE GLOBAL ART SCENE"

- Introduced by Senator LOREN B. LEGARDA
- > Referred to the Committee on Committee on RULES

PSRN 569 "RESOLUTION HONORING THE LATE JUSTICE FLERIDA RUTH P. ROMERO, RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT AND FORMER SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION IN 1987, FOR HER LIFE-LONG SERVICE TO THE COUNTRY AS PUBLIC SERVANT IN DIFFERENT CAPACITIES AND AS AN ACADEMIC"

- Introduced by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- > Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 76

**PSRN 570** "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE FRAMEWORK AGREEIMENT ON PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ITS MEMBER STATES, OF THE ONE PART, AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, OF THE OTHER PART"

- Introduced by Senator LOREN LEGARDA
- > Adopted as Resolution No. 79

**PSRN 571** "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ON SOCIAL SECURITY"

- > Introduced by Senator LOREN LEGARDA
- > Adopted as Resolution No. 80

**PSRN 572** "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL SECURITY BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN"

- Introduced by Senator LOREN LEGARDA
- Adopted as Resolution No. 81

**PSRN 573** "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE AFFIRMING THE STATE OBLIGATION OF THE PHILIPPINES TO PROTECT WOMEN HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS FROM GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE IN ITS VARIOUS FORMS"

- Introduced by Senator LEILA M. DE LIMA
- Referred to the Committee on Committee on RULES

**PSRN 574** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING SENATOR LEILA M. DE LIMA FOR BEING AWARDED AS ONE OF FOREIGN POLICY'S " 50 LEADING GLOBAL THINKERS OF 2017" AND FOR BEING BESTOWED THE "PRIZE OF FREEDOM AWARD" BY LIBERAL INTERNATIONAL IN RECOGNITION OF HER STEADFAST AND UNFALTERING DEDICATION IN UPHOLDING THE RIGHTS AND DIGNITY OF THE FILIPINO PEOPLE"

- Introduced by Senators FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN, FRANKLIN M. DRILON, ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV and RISA HONTIVEROS
- Referred to the Committee on RULES

**PSRN 575** "RESOLUTION ADJUSTING THE BASE PAY OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL WHICH SHALL BE AFFECTED BY THE DISTURBANCE OF WAGE STRUCTURE BY REASON OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 11, SERIES OF 2017"

Introduced by Senators FRANKLIN M. DRILON, VICENTE C. SOTTO III, JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO IV, MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO, SHERWIN T. GATCHALIAN, RICHARD J. GORDON, GREGORIO B. HONASAN II, RISA HONTIVEROS,

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Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 77

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**CRN 191 ON SBN 1629 ENTITLED** "AN ACT WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES ON THE ISSUANCE OF DOCUMENTS REQUIRED IN THE APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT OF FIRST TIME JOBSEEKERS"

- Sponsored by Senator(s) JUAN EDGARDO "SONNY" M. ANGARA, JOEL VILLANUEVA, GRACE L. POE, JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY, ANTONIO "SONNY" F. TRILLANES IV and LOREN B. LEGARDA
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 192 ON SJR 11** "JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Sponsored by GREGORIO B. HONASAN II
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 193 ON SRN 570 ENTITLED,** "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE FRAMEWORK AGREEIMENT ON PARTNERSHIP AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN UNION AND ITS MEMBER STATES, OF THE ONE PART, AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, OF THE OTHER PART"

- Sponsored by LOREN LEGARDA
- > Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 79

**CRN 194 ON SRN 571 ENTITLED,** "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY ON SOCIAL SECURITY"

- Sponsored by LOREN LEGARDA
- > Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 80

CRN 195 ON SRN 572 ENTITLED, "RESOLUTION CONCURRING IN THE RATIFICATION OF THE AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL SECURITY BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN"

- Sponsored by LOREN LEGARDA
- > Adopted as RESOLUTION NO. 81

CRN 196 ON UNR 6 ENTITLED, "BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION EXTORTION SCANDAL"

- Sponsored by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 197 ON PSRN 92 ENTITLED, "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTES TO INVESTIGATE, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE REPORTED DESTRUCTIVE MINING OPERATIONS AND ILLEGAL EXCAVATIONS IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBALES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF DETERMINING THE EXTENT OF DAMAGE CAUSED AND THE INDIVIDUALS TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE THEREFOR, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING REMEDIAL LEGISLATIONS TO FURTHER STRENGTHEN OUR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION LAWS AND ADDRESS THE POSSIBLE BREACH TO OUR NATIONAL SECURITY"

- Sponsored by Senator RICHARD J. GORDON
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 198 ON HBN 5578 ENTITLED, "AN ACT SEPARATING MAGTOMA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - DUPLIGAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY DUPLIGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF TANUDAN, PROVINCE OF KALINGA FROM THE MAGTOMA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BIGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 199 ON HBN 6102 ENTITLED, "**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LINGUNAN, VALENZUELA CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS LINGUNAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 200 ON HBN 6104 ENTITLED, "AN ACT CONVERTING THE LICOP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY LICOP, MATI CITY, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS LICOP INTEGRATED SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 201 ON HBN 6522 ENTITLED,** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BAGUMBAYAN, BALANGA CITY, PROVINCE OF BATAAN TO BE KNOWN AS BALANGA CITY NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 202 ON HBN 6528 ENTITLED, "AN ACT SEPARATING THE LILOY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - PATAWAG EXTENSION IN BARANGAY PATAWAG, MUNICIPALITY OF LILOY, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE FROM THE LILOY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PATAWAG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- > Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 203 ON HBN 6531 ENTITLED, "**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SIBULAN, TORIL DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY TO BE KNOWN AS MT. APO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 204 ON HBN 6532 ENTITLED,** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TALISAY, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS TALISAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 205 ON HBN 6533 ENTITLED, "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CORPORACION, MUNICIPALITY OF LUPON, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS CORPORACION NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 206 ON HBN 6534 ENTITLED,** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MAGDUG, MUNICIPALITY OF GOVERNOR GENEROSO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL TO BE KNOWN AS MAGDUG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- > Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

**CRN 207 ON HBN 6535 ENTITLED, "**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY DIGON, MUNICIPALITY OF MARGOSATUBIG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS DIGON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- Calendared for Ordinary Business

CRN 208 ON HBN 6607 ENTITLED, "AN ACT SEPARATING THE LAWA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY LAPUAN, MUNICIPALITY OF DON MARCELINO, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE LAWA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS LUISA JOYCE MALLARI NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- Sponsored by Senator FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
- > Calendared for Ordinary Business

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- Approved on Third Reading

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**CRN 214 ON SBN 1515 ENTITLED,** "AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6847, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION ACT"

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**CRN 217 ON HBN 5160 ENTITLED,** "AN ACT CONVERTING THE MUNICIPALITY OF STO. TOMAS IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A COMPONENT CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF STO. TOMAS"

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- Introduced by Senators GRACE L. POE, JUAN EDGARDO
  "SONNY" M. ANGARA, PAOLO BENIGNO "BAM" AQUINO
  IV, MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY, LEILA M. DE LIMA,
  JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO, FRANCIS "CHIZ" G.
  ESCUDERO, SHERWIN T. GATCHALIAN, RISA
  HONTIVEROS, EMMANUEL "MANNY" D. PACQUIAO,
  FRANCIS N. PANGILINAN, AQUILINO "KOKO" L.
  PIMENTEL III, VICENTE C. SOTTO III, ANTONIO "SONNY"
  F. TRILLANES IV, JOEL VILLANUEVA and CYNTHIA A.
  VILLAR
- Adopted

SCRN 9 "RESOLUTION PROVIDING THAT BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS CONVENE IN JOINT SESSION TO DELIBERATE ON THE REQUEST OF

PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE TO EXTEND FURTHER THE PROCLAMATION OF MARTIAL LAW AND SUSPENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE OF MARTIAL LAW AND SUSPENSION OF THE PRIVILEGE OF THE WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS UNTIL 31 DECEMBER 2018 OR FOR SUCH OTHER PERIOD OF TIME AS THE CONGRESS MAY DETERMINE"

- ➤ Introduced by Senator VICENTE C. SOTTO III
- > Referred to the Committee on RULES

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**SCRN 11** "JOINT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE IN BASE PAY OF MILITARY AND UNIFORMED PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- Introduced by Senator(s) AQUILINO "KOKO" L. PIMENTEL III, PANFILO M. LACSON and GREGORIO B. HONASAN II
- Approved on Third Reading

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