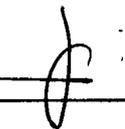


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Introduced by: Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" A. Aquino IV

**A RESOLUTION  
DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID  
OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ENHANCED  
BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2013**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 10533 or the Enhanced Basic Education Act directs the State to establish, maintain and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people, the country and society-at-large;

**WHEREAS**, the law further provides that the Enhanced Basic Education program shall encompass at least one (1) year of kindergarten education, six (6) years of elementary education, and six (6) years of secondary education, in that sequence. Secondary education includes four (4) years of junior high school and two (2) years of senior high school education;

**WHEREAS**, as early as SY 2011-2012, before R.A. No. 10533 was enacted into law, the Universal Kindergarten implementation had already begun;

**WHEREAS**, as early as SY 2012-2013, before R.A. No. 10533 was enacted into law, the enhanced curriculum for Grades 1-7 were implemented;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 10533 was passed into law in June 2013;

**WHEREAS**, the curriculum for Grades 11-12 was finished by the Department of Education (DepEd) in 2014;

**WHEREAS**, on the fifth year of implementing K to 12, all 212 divisions of the DepEd finished its planning and have figures on enrollment a year in advance;

**WHEREAS**, DepEd has built 66,813 classroom from 2010 to 2013. There are 33,608 classroom completed and undergoing construction as of 2014. DepEd is planning to establish 5,899 Senior High Schools nationwide. As of April 2015, DepEd has issued provisional permits to 1,866 private schools set to offer Senior High School in 2016;

**WHEREAS**, from 2010-2014, DepEd has filled 128,105 new teacher items. DepEd is targeting two kinds of teachers: those who will teach the core subjects and those who will teach the specialized subjects per track. DepEd will hire 37,000 teachers for Senior High Schools for 2016 alone;

**WHEREAS**, learning materials are being produced for elementary to junior high school while textbooks for Senior High School, which has specialized subjects, are being bid out;

**WHEREAS**, the K to 12 curriculum is standards and competence based. It is inclusive and built around the needs of the learners and the community. The completed curriculum is available on the DepEd website. It is the first time in history that the entire curriculum is digitized and made accessible to the public;

**WHEREAS**, there are 2,199 private schools cleared to offer Senior High School and over 200 more being processed to date;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to monitor the status of the implementation of the Enhanced Basic Education Act to ensure that the law meets its purpose of developing "productive and responsible citizens equipped with the essential competencies, skills and values for both life-long learning and employment;"

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved to direct the Committee on Education to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the status of implementation of the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013.

Adopted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ramon Aquino". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.