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## 1<sup>ST</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 17<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS

### BILLS ON FIRST READING

**SBN 1173** "AN ACT REQUIRING OWNERS AND OR OPERATORS OF MALLS, DEPARTMENT STORES, STALLS AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS TO GRANT AND ALLOW THEIR WOMEN EMPLOYEES ASSIGNED IN SALES 15-MINUTE RESTS EVERY TWO HOURS OF CONTINUOUS AND UNINTERRUPTED SALES AND STORE OPERATION ASSIGNMENTS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 132(A), CHAPTER 1, TITLE III, OF THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development*

**SBN 1174** "AN ACT GRANTING PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FREE ADMISSION TO ALL PUBLIC MUSEUMS AND NATIONAL HISTORICAL SHRINES AND LANDMARKS"

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture*

**SBN 1175** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND PROVIDING FOR FREE COLLEGE EDUCATION IN INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Finance*

**SBN 1176** "AN ACT MANDATING HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND SECURITY OF THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY FROM INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL THREATS, THEREBY CREATING A CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE FOR THIS PURPOSE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Public Order and Dangerous Drugs*

**SBN 1177** "AN ACT DECLARING THE 'BALANGAY' AS THE NATIONAL BOAT OF THE PHILIPPINES"

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture*

**SBN 1178** "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7166, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS 'AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SYNCHRONIZED NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS AND FOR ELECTORAL REFORMS, AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" L. Pimentel III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Electoral Reforms and Peoples Participation*

**SBN 1179** "AN ACT EXTENDING THE VALIDITY OF THE PHILIPPINE PASSPORT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF R.A. NO. 8239 ALSO KNOWN AS 'THE PHILIPPINE PASSPORT ACT OF 1996'"

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito*
- *Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations*

**SBN 1180** "AN ACT DECLARING A ONE-TIME AMNESTY FOR UNPAID SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM CONTRIBUTIONS, INCLUSIVE OF FEES, FINES, PENALTIES, INTEREST AND OTHER ADDITIONS THERETO, BY EMPLOYERS OF HOUSEHELPERS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7655, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM WAGE OF HOUSEHELPERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLE 143 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS AMENDED," AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10361, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT INSTITUTING POLICIES FOR THE PROTECTION AND WELFARE OF DOMESTIC WORKERS," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" L. Pimentel III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development*

**SBN 1181** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE HIGH SCHOOL FOR SPORTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Sports; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1182** "AN ACT DEFINING THE VISION AND POLICIES OF GOVERNMENT IN THE HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT SECTOR, CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, DEFINING ITS MANDATE, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committees on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement; Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance*

**SBN 1183** "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE BALIK SCIENTIST PROGRAM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on Science and Technology; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1184** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE FOR ALL CASUAL AND CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT WHO HAVE RENDERED THE PRESCRIBED YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Francis N. Pangilinan; Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV; Loren B. Legarda; and Ralph G. Recto*
- *Referred to the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation*

**SBN 1185** "AN ACT PROTECTING AND STRENGTHENING THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES CONSERVED AREAS, RECOGNIZING THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION, ESTABLISHING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL ICCA REGISTRY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Cultural Communities; and Finance*

**SBN 1186** "AN ACT PROMOTING FOOD FOREST GARDENING, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Food; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1187** "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8972, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOLO PARENTS' WELFARE ACT OF 2010, PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL BENEFITS ON BASIC COMMODITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committees on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality; Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 1188** "AN ACT REDUCING THE CAP OF RECOVERABLE SYSTEM LOSS CHARGES PASSED ON TO THE CONSUMERS BY PRIVATE DISTRIBUTION UTILITIES AND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES AND EXEMPTING THE SYSTEM LOSS CHARGE COMPONENT FROM THE COVERAGE OF VALUE ADDED TAX"

- *Introduced by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committees on Energy; Public Services; and Ways and Means*

**SBN 1189** "AN ACT PROMOTING POSITIVE AND NON-VIOLENT DISCIPLINE OF CHILDREN, PROHIBITING ALL FORMS OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT, HUMILIATING AND DEGRADING TREATMENT, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Risa Hontiveros*
- *Referred to the Committees on Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality; and Finance*

**SBN 1190** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH POLICY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENHANCING THE DELIVERY OF INTEGRATED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, PROMOTING AND

PROTECTING PERSONS UTILIZING PSYCHIATRIC, NEUROLOGIC AND PSYCHOSOCIAL HEALTH SERVICES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senator Risa Hontiveros*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1191** “AN ACT TO REGULATE THE RATIONAL EXPLORATION, DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES AND TO ENSURE THE EQUITABLE SHARING OF BENEFITS FOR THE STATE, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senator Grace L. Poe*
- *Referred to the Committees on Environment and Natural Resources; Cultural Communities; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1192** “AN ACT TO GIVE JURIDICAL PERSONALITY TO THE PRESENT VETERANS MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER (VMMC) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senator Richard J. Gordon*
- *Referred to the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1193** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE FOR ALL CASUAL AND CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT WHO HAVE RENDERED THE PRESCRIBED YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor Ejercito*
- *Referred to the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation*

**SBN 1194** “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF STUDENT-ATHLETES”

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; and Sports*

**SBN 1195** "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF MOTOR VEHICLES WITHOUT MUFFLERS OR THOSE THAT ARE DEFECTIVE OR HAVE BEEN MODIFIED WHICH INCREASE THE SOUND EMITTED BY MOTOR VEHICLES, PENALIZING OWNERS AND DRIVERS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO NOISE POLLUTION IN THE ENVIRONMENT"

- *Introduced by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Services; Health and Demography; and Finance*

**SBN 1196** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF MATERNAL AND CHILDBIRTH SERVICES BY ESTABLISHING BIRTHING CENTERS AND TRAINING TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Sherwin T. Gatchalian*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality; and Finance*

**SBN 1197** "AN ACT DEFINING EXTRAJUDICIAL KILLING, PROVIDING FOR ITS PENALTY AND OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Leila M. De Lima*
- *Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 1198** "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8282 ENTITLED 'AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM THEREBY AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 1161, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE SOCIAL SECURITY LAW' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Richard J. Gordon*
- *Referred to the Committees on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises; and Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development*

**SBN 1199** "AN ACT ABOLISHING THE IMPOSITION OF IRRIGATION SERVICE FEES AND SUCH OTHER RELATED FEES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3601, PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 552 AND PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1702"

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor Ejercito*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance*

**SBN 1200** "AN ACT DESIGNATING PHILIPPINE PERFORMING ARTS COMPANIES, DEFINING THEIR ROLES AND FUNCTIONS AS SUCH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara*
- *Referred to the Committees on Education, Arts and Culture; Ways and Means; and Finance*

**SBN 1201** "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BREAST CARE CENTERS IN EVERY REGION NATIONWIDE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Health and Demography; Local Government; and Finance*

**SBN 1202** "AN ACT PROHIBITING TEXT SCAMS, MISLEADING ADVERTISEMENTS, AND FRAUDULENT SALES PROMOTIONS, MANDATING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE REGISTRATION OF ALL USERS OF SUBSCRIBER IDENTITY MODULE (SIM) CARDS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATIONS THEREOF"

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Services; and Trade, Commerce and Entrepreneurship*

**SBN 1203** "AN ACT CREATING A FRIENDLY WORKING ENVIRONMENT FOR WOMEN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Women, Children, Family Relations and Gender Equality*

**SBN 1204** "AN ACT INSTITUTING CORPORATE INCOME TAX REFORM, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE, SECTIONS 27 AND 28 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means*

**SBN 1205** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG) AND AMBISYON NATIN 2040 FUND"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara*
- *Referred to the Committees on Economic Affairs; and Finance*

**SBN 1206** "AN ACT CREATING THE BANANA INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Agriculture and Food; and Finance*

**SBN 1207** "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 OF THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 3019, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED THE ANTI-GRAFT AND CORRUPT PRACTICES ACT"

- *Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committees on Justice and Human Rights*

**SBN 1208** "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL POLICIES OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND HONESTY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Gregorio B. Honasan II, Francis M. Pangilinan, Alan Peter Compañero S. Cayetano, Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero, Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes, Joseph Victor G. Ejercito, Grace L. Poe, Leila M. De Lima, Loren B. Legarda, Juan Miguel F. Zubiri, Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara, Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV, Joel Villanueva, and Risa Hontiveros*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance*

**SBN 1209** "AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8187, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PATERNITY LEAVE ACT OF 1996, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committees on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development; and Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation*

**SBN 1210** "AN ACT EXPANDING THE SCOPE AND COVERAGE OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AND PENALIZE WIRE TAPPING AND OTHER RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF COMMUNICATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senators Gregorio B. Honasan II, Panfilo M. Lacson, Grace L. Poe, Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara, and Vicente C. Sotto III*
- *Referred to the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and National Defense and Security*

**SBN 1211** "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE SPACE DEVELOPMENT AND UTILIZATION POLICY AND CREATING THE PHILIPPINE SPACE AGENCY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

- *Introduced by Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV*
- *Referred to the Committees on Science and Technology; and Finance*

## PROPOSED SENATE RESOLUTIONS

**PSRN 174** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE APPARENT MISMANAGEMENT AND/OR INCOMPETENCE OF THE NATIONAL BILIBID PRISON BY THE BUREAU OF CORRECTIONS AND THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE LEADING TO A BRAWL THAT CAUSED THE DEATH OF A HIGH PROFILE INMATE AND SERIOUS PHYSICAL INJURIES TO OTHERS, AND THE ALLEGED HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS COMMITTED AGAINST OTHER INMATES, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION THAT WOULD PREVENT RECURRENCE OF SIMILAR INCIDENTS"

- *Introduced by Senators Leila M. De Lima and Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on Justice and Human Rights*

**PSRN 175** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING JESLYN SANTOS FOR BEING CROWNED AS THE MISS UNITED CONTINENTS 2016"

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 176** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING ARTHUR VILLANUEVA FOR SUCCESSFULLY DEFENDING THE WBO ASIA PACIFIC BANTAMWEIGHT BELT IN CARSON, CALIFORNIA"

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 177** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING PERLAS PILIPINAS FOR WINNING THE GOLD MEDAL DURING THE SOUTHEAST ASIAN BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP IN MALACCA, MALAYSIA"

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 178** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING JANELLE MAE FRAYNA FOR BEING GRANTED THE TITLE OF CHESS

GRANDMASTER IN THE 42ND WORLD CHESS OLYMPIAD HELD AT BAKU, AZERBAIJAN”

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 179** “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE MIRIAM DEFENSOR SANTIAGO, FORMER SENATOR (1995-2001 AND 2004-2016), FORMER JUDGE OF THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT, FORMER SECRETARY OF AGRARIAN REFORM, FORMER COMMISSIONER OF IMMIGRATION AND DEPORTATION, FORMER PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE QUEZON CITY REGIONAL TRIAL COURT, LAW EXPERT, AND AUTHOR”

- *Introduced by Senators Aquilino "Koko" L. Pimentel III, Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara, Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV, Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay, Alan Peter Compañero S. Cayetano, Leila M. De Lima, 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, Loren B. Legarda, Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao, Francis N. Pangilinan, Grace L. Poe, Ralph G. Recto, Vicente C. Sotto III, Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes, Joel Villanueva, Cynthia A. Villar, and Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 180** “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING EXECUTIVE MINISTER EDUARDO V. MANALO FOR SEVEN YEARS OF DYNAMIC AND SUCCESSFUL LEADERSHIP OF THE IGLESIA NI CRISTO (INC)”

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 181** “RESOLUTION HONORING THE MEMORY OF SENATOR MIRIAM DEFENSOR-SANTIAGO ON HER PASSING”

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 182** "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING DEEP SYMPATHY AND SINCERE CONDOLENCE OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES ON THE DEATH OF FORMER SENATOR MIRIAM DEFENSOR-SANTIAGO"

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 183** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE YOLANDA REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM SPECIFICALLY ON THE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM WITH THE END VIEW OF CRAFTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR AN EFFECTIVE AND EFFICIENT HOUSING PROGRAMS FOR VICTIMS OF DISASTER"

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito*
- *Referred to the Committee on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement*

**PSRN 184** "RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENSE OF THE SENATE THAT THE PROPOSAL TO SHOW THE ALLEGED SEX VIDEO ATTRIBUTED TO SEN. LEILA DE LIMA IS ILLEGAL, VIOLATIVE OF INTER-PARLIAMENTARY COURTESY AND DECENCY, AND AN AFFRONT TO WOMENS DIGNITY"

- *Introduced by Senators Risa Hontiveros, Cynthia A. Villar, Grace L. Poe, Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay, and Loren B. Legarda*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 185** "RESOLUTION EXTOLLING THE HEROISM AND VIRTUES OF WORLD WAR II MARTYR WENCESLAO Q. VINZONS ON OCCASION OF HIS 106TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY"

- *Introduced by Senator Francis N. Pangilinan*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 186** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTED RECENT INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE, INTIMIDATION, AND REPRESSION AGAINST LABOR LEADERS AND ACTIVISTS"

- *Introduced by Senator Risa Hontiveros*
- *Referred to the Committee on Labor, Employment and Human Resources Development*

**PSRN 187** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ELABORATE SCHEME INVOLVED IN FACILITATING PASSAGE TO MECCA TO FOREIGN NATIONALS USING PHILIPPINE DOCUMENTS PARTICULARLY THE CASE OF INDONESIAN NATIONALS WHO POSED AS FILIPINOS AND ATTEMPTED TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY TO ATTEND THE HAJJ PILGRIMAGE"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committees on Accountability of Public Officers and Investigations; and Foreign Relations*

**PSRN 188** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING A CAPELLA GROUP ACAPELLAGO FOR EMERGING AS OVERALL CHAMPION IN THE 2016 ASIA-PACIFIC A CAPPELLA CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE (APACCL) HELD AT THE SINGAPORE CONFERENCE HALL IN SINGAPORE FROM 24-25 SEPTEMBER 2016"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 189** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE FENCING TEAM FOR BRINGING HOME A TOTAL OF 3 GOLD MEDALS, 2 SILVERS AND 5 BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 2016 SOUTH EAST ASIA FENCING FEDERATION CHAMPIONSHIPS HELD IN SINGAPORE ON 3-6 SEPTEMBER 2016"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 190** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE(S) TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON ROAD AND TRAFFIC SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS GIVEN THE ALARMING NUMBER OF VEHICULAR ACCIDENTS IN THE COUNTRY, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING MEASURES TO PROVIDE FOR STRICTER REGULATIONS ON ROAD SAFETY IN THE PHILIPPINES, FOR INFORMATION DRIVES BY THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE, IN

COORDINATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND FOR THE INCLUSION OF ROAD COURTESY AND DISCIPLINE IN THE PHILIPPINE BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM”

- *Introduced by Senator Aquilino "Koko" L. Pimentel III*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 191** “RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE FULL SUPPORT AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES IN THE OBSERVANCE OF THE WORLD TEACHERS' DAY”

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 192** “RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL JUSTICE, WELFARE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF THE PANTAWID PAMILYANG PILIPINO PROGRAM (4PS) WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REVIEWING, AMENDING AND IMPROVING THE PROGRAM TO EFFECTIVELY BRING ABOUT THE LIFTING OF THE BENEFICIARIES OUT OF POVERTY”

- *Introduced by Senator Cynthia A. Villar*
- *Referred to the Committees on Social Justice, Welfare and Rural Development; Economic Affairs; and Finance*

**PSRN 193** “RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING MARK ANTHONY D. GUIAO FOR CLINCHING THE GOLD MEDAL AND FOR SHOWCASING THE CALIBER OF THE FILIPINO WORKER AT THE 11TH ASEAN SKILLS COMPETITION (ASC) IN KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA ON SEPTEMBER 19-29, 2016”

- *Introduced by Senator Joel Villanueva*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 194** “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE HONORABLE JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI FOR BEING CONFERRED WITH THE PRESIDENTIAL AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES LOS BANOS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (UPLBAA)”

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 195** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON JUSTICE AND HUMAN RIGHTS, AND CULTURAL COMMUNITIES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ROOT CAUSES OF INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT OF INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES (ICCS)/INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S (IPS) WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING LEGISLATION TO UPHOLD RIGHTS OF INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS (IDPS)"

- *Introduced by Senator Leila M. De Lima*
- *Referred to the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Cultural Communities*

**PSRN 196** "RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING THE FILIPINO ATHLETES WHO BAGGED TWENTY-ONE MEDALS DURING THE 5TH ASIAN BEACH GAMES IN VIETNAM"

- *Introduced by Senator Emmanuel "Manny" D. Pacquiao*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 197** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, TO LOOK INTO ISSUES AND CONTROVERSIES SURROUNDING THE FAILURE OF SOME COOPERATIVES TO OBTAIN IMPORT AND/OR EXPORT LICENSE OR PERMIT"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committees on Cooperatives; and Trade, Commerce and Entrepreneurship*

**PSRN 198** "RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE PHILIPPINE TEAM FOR WINNING THREE (3) GOLD AND FIVE (5) BRONZE MEDALS IN THE 10TH WORLD TAEKWONDO POOMSAE CHAMPIONSHIP HELD ON SEPTEMBER 29 TO OCTOBER 4, 2016 IN LIMA, PERU"

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 199** "RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE REPORTS THAT TERRORIST GROUPS IN MINDANAO JOIN FORCES

TO ESTABLISH AN ISLAMIC STATE OR ISIS SATELLITE EXTENSION IN THE PHILIPPINES”

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committees on National Defense and Security; and Public Order and Dangerous Drugs*

**PSRN 200** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED PILFERAGE/SMUGGLING AT THE GOVERNMENT ARSENAL IN LIGHT OF THE SEIZURE OF PHP 6 MILLION-WORTH OF HIGH-POWERED FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION BELONGING TO THE GOVERNMENT ARSENAL PURPORTEDLY INTENDED TO BE SOLD FOR ABU SAYYAF GROUP AND WAR LORDS IN ARMM”

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on National Defense and Security*

**PSRN 201** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND DANGEROUS DRUGS TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED INVOLVEMENT OF SOME MEMBERS OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) IN NUMEROUS EXTRAJUDICIAL KILLINGS IN THE COUNTRY WITH THE END IN VIEW OF REVISITING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM ACT TO ENSURE THAT THE CONSTITUTIONALLY ENSHRINED MANDATE OF THE PNP TO “SERVE AND PROTECT” REMAINS TO BE UPHELD”

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs*

**PSRN 202** “RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE, GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED WIDESPREAD PRACTICE OF HIRING TENS OF THOUSANDS OF CONTRACTUAL AND JOB-ORDER EMPLOYEES AND OTHER IRREGULARITIES COMMITTED BY VARIOUS AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF GOVERNMENT AS WELL AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUS), WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENACTING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION TO FORMULATE GUIDELINES FOR THE HIRING OF CONTRACTUAL AND JOB ORDER PERSONNEL IN THE GOVERNMENT AND ENSURING THE

PROTECTION OF THE RIGHTS AND INTEREST OF THE AFFECTED EMPLOYEES”

- *Introduced by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Referred to the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation*

**PSRN 203** “RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF EXISTENCE OF THE NEGROS ISLAND REGION”

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri*
- *Referred to the Committee on Local Government*

**PSRN 204** “RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MARK ANTHONY CACAL FOR WINNING THE BEST CUSTOMER SERVICE FOR FOOD & BEVERAGE AWARD IN THE 2016 SINGAPORE TOURISM AWARDS”

- *Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay*
- *Referred to the Committee on Rules*

**PSRN 205** “RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALL REGULAR STANDING COMMITTEES, OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE TO CONDUCT HEARINGS, MEETINGS AND CONSULTATIONS DURING THE RECESS OF THE 17TH CONGRESS TO HAVE CONTINUITY IN THE PROCESS OF PASSING PENDING PROPOSED LEGISLATIONS AND TO CONDUCT INVESTIGATIONS ON ISSUES OF NATIONAL INTERESTS TO AID IN CRAFTING RELEVANT LEGISLATIONS”

- *Introduced by Senator Vicente C. Sotto III*
- *Adopted*

**PSRN 206** “RESOLUTION URGING THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON HEALTH AND DEMOGRAPHY AND ON URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE KEY ISSUES AFFECTING THE TACLOBAN PERMANENT RESETTLEMENT SITES (PRS), WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE HEALTH AND SANITATION CONDITIONS OF SAID RESETTLEMENT AREAS, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF PROPOSING APPROPRIATE INTERVENTIONS AND REMEDIAL ACTIONS”

- *Introduced by Senator Risa Hontiveros*
- *Referred to the Committee on Health and Demography; and Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement*

**PSRN 207** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING JESUS IS LORD CHURCH FOR CELEBRATING ITS 38TH FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY ON OCTOBER 28, 2016"

- *Introduced by Senator Juan Edgardo "Sonny" M. Angara*
- *Adopted*

**PSRN 208** "RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING JESUS IS LORD CHURCH FOR CELEBRATING ITS 38TH FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY ON OCTOBER 28, 2016"

- *Introduced by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito*
- *Adopted*

## COMMITTEE REPORT

**CRN 2**, prepared and submitted by the Committee on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation, on **SENATE BILL NO. 1184**, with Senators Pangilinan, Trillanes IV, Legarda and Recto as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR SECURITY OF TENURE FOR ALL CASUAL AND CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEES OF THE GOVERNMENT WHO HAVE RENDERED THE PRESCRIBED YEARS OF SERVICE IN THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 59, 283, 441 taking into consideration Proposed Senate Resolution 77.

- *Sponsored by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

**CRN 3**, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance, on **SENATE BILL NO. 1208**, with Senators Honasan II, Pangilinan, Cayetano, Escudero, Trillanes IV, Joseph Victor Ejercito, Grace Poe, Leila M. de Lima, Legarda, Zubiri, Sonny Angara, Paolo Benigno "Bam" Aquino IV, Joel Villanueva and Risa Hontiveros as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE PEOPLE'S RIGHT TO INFORMATION AND THE CONSTITUTIONAL POLICIES OF FULL PUBLIC DISCLOSURE AND HONESTY IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 24, 54, 72, 82, 94, 149, 159, 248, 306, 315, 534, 708, 1014 and .

- *Sponsored by Senator Grace Poe*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

**CRN 4**, submitted jointly by the Committees on Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and National Defense and Security, on **SENATE BILL NO. 1210**, with Senators Honasan II, Lacson, Grace Poe, and Sonny Angara, as authors thereof, entitled "AN ACT EXPANDING THE SCOPE AND COVERAGE OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4200, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT TO PROHIBIT AND PENALIZE WIRE TAPPING AND OTHER RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF COMMUNICATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 21, 48, 871, and 950.

- *Sponsored by Senator Panfilo M. Lacson*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

**CRN 5**, prepared and submitted jointly by the Committees on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; Education, Arts, and Culture; and Finance, on **SENATE BILL NO. 812**, introduced by Senator Recto, entitled "AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE GRANT OF A TEACHING SUPPLIES ALLOWANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR", recommending its approval with amendments.

- *Sponsored by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

**CRN 6**, submitted jointly by the Committees on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; Public Order and Dangerous Drugs; and Finance, on **SENATE BILL NO. 452**, introduced by Senator Trillanes IV, entitled "AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF CRIMINOLOGY PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPINES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 6506, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT CREATING THE BOARD EXAM OF EXAMINERS FOR CRIMINOLOGISTS IN THE PHILIPPINES", recommending its approval without amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

**CRN 7**, submitted jointly by the Committees on Civil Service, Government Reorganization and Professional Regulation; and Finance, on **SENATE BILL NO. 454**, introduced by Senator Trillanes IV, entitled "AN ACT REGULATING THE REGISTRATION, LICENSURE, AND PRACTICE OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER RELATED PURPOSES, recommending its approval without amendment.

- *Sponsored by Senator Antonio "Sonny" F. Trillanes IV*
- *Calendared For Ordinary Business*

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