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This **Linkages Update** aims to provide information on legislations approved and enacted into law, bills passed on third reading by the Senate, outputs of Forums conducted by ILS, and other concerns of national importance. Presented in this issue are the Laws Passed during the Fifteenth Congress covering the period April 2013 to June 2013.

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LAWS PASSED COVERING THE PERIOD

November 2012 to May 2013

(Covers Republic Act Numbers 10501-10650)

Provided below are the laws passed and approved by the President of the Philippines during the 15th Congress covering the period November 2012 to May 2013:

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10501

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SAN SEBASTIAN, MUNICIPALITY OF TABINA, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS TABINA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 13, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10502

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE TUKURAN TECHICAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – TAGULO ANNEX IN BARANGAY TAGULO, MUNICIPALITY OF TUKURAN, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR FROM THE TUKURAN TECHNICAL VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS POTENCIANO SOLON BANDOLON MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10503

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE BURGOS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – UPPER TUMAPOC ANNEX IN BARANGAY UPPER TUMAPOC, MUNICIPALITY OF BURGOS, PROVINCE OF LA UNION FROM THE BURGOS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS

UPPER TUMAPOC NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10504

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE F. BUSTAMANTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – MAHAYAG ANNEX IN BARANGAY MAHAYAG, BUNAWAN DISTRICT, CITY OF DAVAO FROM THE F. BUSTAMANTE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MAHAYAG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10505

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE NABUNTURAN NATIONAL COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL – NW SIBONGA ANNEX IN BARANGAY NEW SIBONGA, MUNICIPALITY OF NABUNTURAN, PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY FROM THE NABUNTURAN NATIONAL COMPREHENSIVE HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS NEW SIBONGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10506

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE LAAK NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – SAN ANTONIO ANNEX IN BARANGAY SAN ANTONIO, MUNICIPALITY OF LAAK, PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY FROM THE LAAK NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SAN ANTONIO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10507

“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF GAUDENCIO ABORDO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BULAWIT, MUNICIPALITY OF LINAPACAN, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN TO BULAWIT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10508

“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF MALALIM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY MALALIM, CITY OF BATANGAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS TO EULALIA TALBAN EBORA MEMORIAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013



REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10509

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE CALAPE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – PAYPAY ANNEX IN BARANGAY PAYPAY, MUNICIPALITY OF DAANBANTAYAN, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE CALAPE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PAYPAY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10510

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE ALEJO M. PACALSO MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – LOACAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY LOACAN, MUNICIPALITY OF ITOGON, PROVINCE OF BENGUET FROM THE ALEJO M. PACALSO MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS LOACAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10511

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE BAGUIO CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – STO. TOMAS ANNEX IN BARANGAY STO. TOMAS, CITY OF BAGUIO FROM THE BAGUIO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS STO. TOMAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOLL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10512

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE PINES CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – QUEZON HILL ANNEX IN BARANGAY QUEZON HILL, CITY OF BAGUIO FROM THE PINES CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS QUEZON HILL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOLL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10513

“AN ACT SEPARATING THE PINES CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – PINGET ANNEX IN BARANGAY PINGET, CITY OF BAGUIO FROM THE PINES CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PINGET NATIONAL HIGH SCHOLL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10514

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICE IN THE CITY OF ANTIPOLO, PROVINCE OF RIZAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 16, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10515

“AN ACT PROHIBITING AND PENALIZING UNAUTHORIZED INTERCEPTION, RECEPTION OR USE OF ANY SIGNAL OR SERVICE OVER A CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM OR CABLE INTERNET SYSTEM AND/OR NETWORK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10516

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE UTILIZATION OF THE INDUSTRIAL ESTATE INN LAMAO, LIMAY, BATAAN FOR BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN ENERGY AND ENERGY-RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS AND OTHER GAINFUL ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN ADDITION TO PETROCHEMICAL AND RELATED INDUSTRIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 949”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10517

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN PEDRO, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10518

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF LUCENA, PROVINCE OF QUEZON, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE

KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10519

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TOLEDO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10520

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT AND FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES IN THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL, CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF MALABON, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10521

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF MALOLOS, PROVINCE OF BULACAN, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF

1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10522

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF LAS PIÑAS, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10523

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF SINILOAN, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10524

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE POSITIONS RESERVED FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7277, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10525

“AN ACT DECLARING THE FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY OF EVERY YEA AS “WORLD INTERFAITH HARMONY WEEK” IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY AND MANDATING ITS OBSERVANCE BY THE DIFFERENT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10526

“AN ACT DECLARING THE MONTH OF JANUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS “LIVER CANCER AND VIRAL HEPATITIS AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10527

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE BALATONG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY BALATONG, CITY OF LAOAG, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BALATONG INTEGRATED SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON April 23, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10528

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) EXTENSION OFFICE LOCATED IN SAN SIMON, PAMPANGA INTO A REGULAR LTO DISTRICT OFFICE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 7, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10529

“AN ACT NAMING THE POLCIE REGIONAL OFFICE 11 AT SITIO CATITIPAN, BARANGAY COMMUNAL, BUHANGIN DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY AS CAMP QUINTIN M. MERECIDO”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 7, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10530

“AN ACT DEFINING THE USE AND PROTECTION OF THE RED CROSS, RED CRESCENT AND RED CRYSTAL EMBLEMS, PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 7, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10531

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 269, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “NATIONAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION DECREE”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 7, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10532

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL HEALTH RESEARCH SYSTEM”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 7, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10533

“AN ACT ENHANCING THE PHILIPPINE BASIC EDUCATION SYSTEM BY STRENGTHENING ITS CURRICULUM AND INCREASING THE NUMBER OF YEARS FOR BASIC EDUCATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10534

“AN ACT NAMING THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE IN THE CAPITAL TOWN OF BONTOC, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE TO CAMP LT. GERONIMO F. MONTES”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10535

“AN ACT TO SET THE PHILIPPINE STANDARD TIME (PST) IN ALL OFFICAL SOURCES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR THE INSTALLATION, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SYNCHRONIZED TIME DEVICES TO BE DISPLAYED IN KEY PUBLIC PLACES AND TO DECLARE THE FIRST WEEK OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL TIME CONSCIOUSNESS WEEK”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10536

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9296, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE MEAT INSPECTION CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10537

“AN ACT CREATING SIC (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF MAKATI, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10538

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SECOND JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF CAUAYAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10539

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUMACA, PROVINCE OF QUEZON, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10540

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF BARILI, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10541

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF ORMOC, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10542

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF MIDSAYAP, PROVINCE OF NORTH COTABATO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10543

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF STA. CRUZ, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10544

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARGAO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10545

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF DANA O, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10546

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF COTOBATO, PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10547

“AN ACT CREATING THREE (3) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF PUERTO PRINCESA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10548

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE CUBAY ROAD TO BALABAGO ROAD IN JARO, ILOILO CITY INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10549

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE GENERAL EVANGELISTA PROVINCIAL ROAD IN THE CITY OF BACOR, PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10550

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD FROM BARANGAY POBLACION DUMALINAO, MUNICIPALITY OF DUMALINAO, PASSING THROUGH THE MUNICIPALITIES OF SAN PABLO, DINAS, DIMATALING, TABINA, PITOGO, VINCENZO SAGUN AND MARGOSATUBIG, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR INTO A NATIONAL ROAD, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR COASTAL ROAD”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10551

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE KIANGAN-TINOC-BUGUIAS PROVINCIAL ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF KIANGAN AND TINOC, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO AND MUNICIPALITY OF BUGUIAS, PROVINCE OF BENGUET INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10552

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE STA. ELENA – CAPALONGA BYPASS COASTAL ROAD IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10553

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF CANUMAY TO BIGNAY ROAD IN THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10554

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DIVISION OF CITY SCHOOLS IN THE CITY OF TAGBILARAN, PROVINCE OF BOHOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10555

“AN ACT DECLARING THE JARO CATHEDRAL, MOLO CHURCH, THE ILOILO CITY CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, FORT SAN PEDRO JARO PLAZA COMPLEX, MOLO PLAZA COMPLEX AND PLAZA LIBERTAD COMPLEX, ALL LOCATED

IN THE CITY OF ILOILO, AS CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM ZONE”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10556

“AN ACT DECLARING EVERY 27TH DAY OF NOVEMBER AS “ARAW NG PAGBASA’, A REGULAR WORKING HOLIDAY”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10557

“AN ACT PROMOTING AND STRENGTHENING FILIPINO DESIGN, PROVIDING FOR THE PURPOSE A NATIONAL DESIGN POLICY AND RENAMING THE PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT AND DESIGN CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES INTO THE DESIGN CENTER OF THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10558

“AN ACT INCREASING THE NUMBER OF PLANTILLA POSITIONS FOR THE WEST VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY ASSIGNED TO STAFF THE WEST VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER IN ORDER TO MEET THE STANDARD NUMBER OF STAFFING POSITIONS FOR A THREE HUNDRED (300) BED MEDICAL CENTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 15, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10559

“AN ACT NAMING THE PALAWAN POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE (PALAWAN PPO) TO CAMP HIGINO ACOSTA MENDOZA SR.”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10560

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10561

“AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF KALINGA IN THE CORDILLERA REGION AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREA (TDA) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10562

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF PANIQUI, PROVINCE OF TARLAC, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10563

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPAS, PROVINCE OF TARLAC, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

- APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10564

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF TARLAC AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CAMILING AND CONCEPCION, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF TARLAC, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10565

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF DIGOS, PROVINCE OF DAVAO DEL SUR, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10566

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE METROPOLITAN TRIAL COURT IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF PASIG, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10567

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD FIRST REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE URDANETA CITY, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10568

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES AND FIFTEEN (15) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF ANTIPOLLO, PROVINCE OF RIZAL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10569

“AN ACT CREATING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BINAN, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10570

“AN ACT CREATING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN THE CITIES AND ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF CEBU, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10571

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BAIS, PROVINCE OF NEGROS ORIENTAL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 22, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10572

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE LIABILITY OF THE ABSOLUTE COMMUNITY OR CONJUGAL PARTNESHIP FOR AN OBLIGATION OF A SPOUSE WHO PRACTICES A PROFESSION AND THE CAPABILITY OF EITHER SPOUSE TO DISPOSE OF AN EXCLUSIVE PROPERTY WITHOUT THE CONSENT OF THE OTER SPOUSE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE ARTICLES 73 AND 111 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 209, ALSO KNOWN AS THE FAMILY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10573

“AN ACT DECLARING THE SHEIKH KARIMUL MAKHDUM MOSQUE, CONSIDERED AS THE SITE OF ONE OF THE OLDEST EXISTING MUSLIM HOUSES OF PRAYER OR MOSQUES IN THE PHILIPPINES, AT TUBIG INDANGAN, SIMUNUL, PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI, AS A NATIONAL HISTORICAL LANDMARK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10574

“AN ACT ALLOWING THE INFUSION OR FOREIGN EQUITY IN THE CAPITAL OF RURAL BANKS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7353, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE RURAL BANK ACT OF 1992”, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10575

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE BUREAU OF CORRECTIONS (BUCOR) AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10576

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF KIDAPAWAN, PROVINCE OF NORTH COTOBATO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10578

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES AND SEVEN (7) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF LAPU-LAPU, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10579

“AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE SEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALIBON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10580

“AN ACT CREATING FIVE (5) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF MORONG, PROVINCE OF RIZAL, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10581

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF OLONGAPO, PROVINCE OF ZAMBALES, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10582

“AN ACT CREATING SIX (6) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF ANGELES, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10583

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BONTOC, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MOUNTAIN PROVINCE STATE UNIVERSITY WITH CAMPUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF TADIAN, BAUKO, PARACELIS AND BARLIG, ALL LOCATED IN MOUNTAIN PROVINCE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10584

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE KALINGA-APAYAO STATE COLLEGE IN THE CITY OF TABUK, PROVINCE OF KALINGA INTO A STATE UNVIERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE KALINGA STATE UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10585

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE COTABATO CITY STATE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN COTABATO CITY INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE COTABATO STATE UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 24, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10586

“AN ACT PENALIZING PERSONS DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL, DANGEROUS DRUGS, AND SIMILAR SUBSTANCES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 27, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10587

“AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NUMBERED ONE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHT, ENTITLED “LAW REGULATING THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING PROFESSION IN THE PHILIPPPINES”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON May 27, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10588

“AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE CONDUCT OF THE PALARONG PAMBANSA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE LAW ON FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION AND PROVINDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10593

“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAINI SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8048, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE

REGULATION OF THE CUTTING OF COCONUT TREES, ITS REPLENISHMENT”, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10594

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE COLLEGE IN THE CITY OF TALISAY, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE TALISAY CITY STATE COLLEGE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 4, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10595

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE WESTERN VISAYAS COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (WVCST) IN THE CITY OF ILOILO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE ILOILO SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY, WITH CAMPUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BAROTAC NUEVO, DUMANGAS LEON AND MIAG-AO, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10596

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE MINDORO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VICTORIA, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS MINDORO STATE UNIVERSITY (MINSU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10597

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NORTHERN ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO BY

INTEGRATING THE NORTHERN ILOILO POLYTECHNIC STATE COLLEGE (NIPSC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ESTANCIA, THE NIPSC – BAROTAC VIEJO CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC VIEJO, THE AJUY POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BATAD, THE CONCEPCION POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION, THE LEMERY POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LEMERY AND THE VICTORINO SALCEDO POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SARA, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10598

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF COMPOSTELA, PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY TO BE KNOWN AS THE COMPOSTELA VALLEY STATE COLLEGE, INTEGRATING THEREWITH AS REGULAR BRANCHES THE BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY EXTERNAL STUDIES CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MONKAYO, MARAGUSAN, MONTEVISTA AND NEW BATAAN, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 4, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10599

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE PALOMPON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALOMPON, PROVINCE OF LEYTE INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE PALOMPON POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE MARCELINO R. VELOSO NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE

MUNICIPALITY OF TABANGO, PROVINCE OF LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 4, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10600

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SURIGAO DEL NORTE STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE BY INTEGRATING THE SURIGAO STATE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY IN SURIGAO CITY, THE SIARGAO NATIONAL COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DEL CARMEN AND THE SURIGAO DEL NORTE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAINIT, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 4, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10601

“AN ACT PROMOTING AGRICULTURAL AND FISHERIES MECHNIZATION DEVELOPMENT IN THE COUNTRY”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 5, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10602

“AN ACT CREATING FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE TENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF MALAYBALAY, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON, FURHTER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 11, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10603

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN MATEO, PROVINCE OF RIZAL, FURHTER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10604

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE ILOILO STATE COLLEGE OF FISHERIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC NUEVO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE ILOILO STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, WITH CAMPUSES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF SAN ENRIQUE, DINGLE AND DUMANGAS, AND INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE BAROTAC NUEVO POLYTECHINC INSTITUTE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC NUEVO, ALL LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 11, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10605

“AN ACT CONVERTING THE PAMPANGA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE (PAC) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAGALANG, PROVINCE OF PAMPANGA INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE PAMPANGA STATE AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 11, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10606

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7875, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE ACT OF 1995, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 11, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10607

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE INSURANCE INDUSTRY, FURTHER AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 612, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE INSURANCE CODE”, AS AMENDED BY PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NOS. 1141, 1280, 1455, 1460, 1814 1ND 1981, AND BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 874, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 11, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10608

“AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT THE MUNICIPALITY OF POLOMOLOK, PROVINCE O SOUTH COTOTBATO, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980”, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 6, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10609

“AN ACT PROTECTING THE RIGHT OF STUDENTS ENROLLED IN COURSES REQUIRING PROFESSIONAL LICENSING EXAMINATIONS TO ENROLL IN REVIEW CENTERS OF THEIR CHOICE AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 5, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10610

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FISH PORT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN VICENTE, PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10611

“AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE FOOD SAFETY REGULATORY SYSTEM IN THE COUNTRY TO PROTECT CONSUMER HEALTH AND FACILITATE MARKET ACCESS OF LOCAL FOODS AND FOOD PRODUCTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 17, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10612

“AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (S & T) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND STRENGTHENING THE TEACHING OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10613

“AN ACT INCREASING THE MINIMUM BED CAPACITY OF THE ZAMBOANGA CITY MEDICAL CENTER FROM TWO HUNDRED FIFTY (250) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7272”

➤ APPROVED INTO LAW ON June 30, 2013

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10614

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF REGION I MEDICAL CENTER IN DAGUPAN CITY, PANGASINAN FROM

THREE HUNDRED (300) TO SIX HUNDRED (600), AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL , UPGRADING ITS SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10615

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FISH PORT IN BARANGAY HAGNAYA, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN REMIGIO, PROVINCE OF CEBU AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10616

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FISH PROT IN THE CITY F DAGUPAN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10617

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF FISH PORT AND COLD STORAGE FACILITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DAPA, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10618

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RURAL FARM SCHOOLS AS ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY MODE OF SECONDARY EDUCATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10619

“AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6876, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY SI-IT, MUNICIPALITY OF TANUDAN, PROVINCE OF KALINGA-APAYAO, TO BE KNOWN AS THE TANUDAN MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10620

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR TOY AND GAME SAFETY LABELING, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10621

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“AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF LAZI NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TIGBAWAN, MUNICIPALITY OF LAZI, PROVINCE OF SIQUIJOR INTO LAZI TECHNICAL INSSTITUTE”

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“AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7581, ENTITLED ‘AN ACT PROVIDING PROTECTION TO CONSUMERS BY STABILIZING THE PRICES OF BASIC NECESSITIES AND PRIME COMMODITIES AND BY PRESCRIBING MEASURES AGAINST UNDUE PRICE

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“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FISH PORT IN BARANGAY SABANG, MUNICIPALITY OF CALABANGA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10625

“AN ACT REORGANIZING THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICAL SYSTEM, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBERED ONE HUNDERED TWENTY-ONE, ENTITLED “REORGANIZING AND STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICAL SYSTEM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

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“AN ACT UPGRADING THE COTOBATO SUBDISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE INTO A REGULAR ENGINEERING OFFICE TO BE KNOWN AS THE COTOBATO CITY DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF FISH PORTS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF TONGKIL, KALINGGALAN, CALUANG AND SIASI, PROVINCE OF SULU AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION BY THE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD OF SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF THE REVENUES ACCRUING TO THE INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS FUND (IPAF), AMENDING FOR PURPOSE SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM OF 1992”

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REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10630

“AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM IN THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9344, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “JUVENILE JUSTICE AND WELFARE ACT OF 2006” AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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