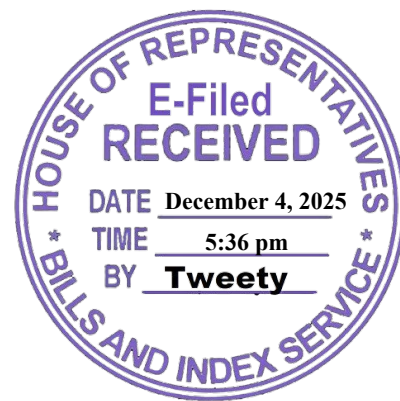


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 36

Submitted by the Committee on Justice on December 4, 2025

Re: House Bill No. 6640

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5899

Sponsors: Representatives Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro and Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Justice, to which was referred House Bill No. 5899, introduced by Representative Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III, entitled:

AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MAODO DIOUF

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 6640 entitled:

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GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MAODO DIOUF

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 5899, with Representatives Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III, Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro, Emigdio P. Tanjuatco III and Lordan G. Suan as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

Atty. GERVILLE "JINKY BITRICS" R. LUISTRO
Chairperson
Committee on Justice

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HOUSE BILL NO. 6640

(In substitution of House Bill No. 5899)

Introduced by Representatives Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III, Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro, Emigdio P. Tanjuatco III and Lordan G. Suan

**AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MAODO DIOUF**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 SECTION 1. Maodo Diouf is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all the rights,
2 privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations appurtenant thereto
3 under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.
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5 SEC. 2. Maodo Diouf shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines
6 before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath of Allegiance shall
7 be registered with the Bureau of Immigration.
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9 SEC. 3. Upon registration of the Oath of Allegiance, the Bureau of Immigration shall
10 issue a Certificate of Naturalization to Maodo Diouf, who shall thereupon enter into the
11 full enjoyment of Philippine citizenship.
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13 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
14 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

**House of Representatives
Committee Affairs Department**

FACT SHEET

House Bill No. 6640

(In substitution of House Bill No. 5899)

(Approved by the Committee on November 26, 2025)

**AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO
MAODO DIOUF**

*Introduced by: Reps. Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III, Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro,
Emigdio P. Tanjuatco III and Lordan G. Suan*

*Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE***

*Committee Chairperson: **REP. GERVILLE "JINKY BITRICS" R. LUISTRO***

OBJECTIVE:

To grant Philippine citizenship to Maodo Diouf, a citizen of Dakar, Senegal, considering that:

- he is a basketball player who is 6'11 in height and 97 kg in weight whose exceptional character, values, and athleticism make him an ideal candidate for naturalization;
- he was raised in a faith-centered family on Cité Taco Commune Nord in Senegal by his parents—Djiby and Yande Diouf, along with his four siblings—with him being the youngest; he grew up in an environment that reflects the warmth, unity, and strong sense of faith found in many Filipino homes;
- he attended and studied at Groupe Scolaire La Sagesse, where he discovered his love for basketball at the age of 12, using the sport not only as a pastime but also a tool for education and personal growth;
- his career in Philippine basketball started when he was invited to an exhibition game, where his talent and discipline caught the attention of local coaches; he was offered an athletic scholarship at Centro Escolar University (CEU)—but eventually recruited to the University of the Philippines Diliman (UP Diliman) where he became the Most Valuable Player (MVP) during the UAAP Season 84 championship of the UAAP Men's Basketball, a testament to his skill, dedication, and leadership;
- his height is a tremendous asset to the Philippine men's basketball team, combined with his mobility and basketball IQ, which can provide the team with a strong inside presence both defensively and offensively;
- the Samahang Basketbol ng Pilipinas (SBP) seek for his naturalization not only because of his outstanding athletic abilities, but also because of his exemplary character and deep-rooted values,;

- despite being foreign-born, he has wholeheartedly embraced the Filipino, and embodies family devotion, humility, faith, and perseverance, values that align perfectly with the ideals of the Filipino athlete;
- he represents talent, integrity, compassion, qualities that embody the true essence of a Filipino athlete;
- his naturalization will not only strengthen the national basketball team but also inspire the next generation of basketball players to pursue excellence with humility, discipline, and love for the game.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Grants Philippine citizenship to Maodo Diouf with all the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations, appurtenant thereto.
- Provides that upon the taking of the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of the Philippines before an officer duly authorized for this purpose, registration of the same with the Bureau of Immigration, and issuance of his Certificate of Naturalization, Mr. Diouf shall enter upon the full enjoyment of Philippine Citizenship.

RELATED LAW:

- Article IV, Section 1(4), 1987 Constitution