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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 40

Submitted by the Committee on Justice on **December 4, 2025**

Re: House Bill No. **6644**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4114

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. 4114, introduced by Representative Faustino Michael Carlos T. Dy III, entitled:

AN ACT
GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MATTHEW JAMES RAMOS

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. **6644** entitled:

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be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 4114, 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,


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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 6644
(In substitution of House Bill No. 4114)

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

1 SECTION 1. Matthew James Ramos is hereby granted Philippine citizenship with all
2 the rights, privileges and prerogatives, as well as the duties and obligations appurtenant
3 thereto under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of the Philippines.

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5 SEC. 2. Matthew James Ramos shall take the Oath of Allegiance to the Republic of
6 the Philippines before an officer duly authorized to administer the same. The Oath of
7 Allegiance shall 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 Matthew James Ramos, who shall thereupon enter
11 into the 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. 6644

(In substitution of House Bill No. 4114)

(Approved by the Committee on November 26, 2025)

**"AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO
MATTHEW JAMES RAMOS"**

*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 Matthew James Ramos, a champion American wrestler of Filipino descent, born in Naperville, Illinois, considering that:

- he is the 2022 U. S. Open Champion (57 kg.) and 2022 NCAA Championship Round of 12 (133 lbs);
- he has been making huge waves in wrestling since he was in Lockport High School where he was a four-year varsity letterwinner and was awarded Lockport High School Athlete of the Year;
- he has many accomplishments while in Purdue University, particularly in 2022 to 2023, as follows: he became the 60th All-American in Purdue wrestling history, the first national place winner of the Tony Ermland era; he finished with the most wins of all the NCAA qualifiers at 25 pounds, and the second most wins of any qualifier at any weight; he won the 125-pound title at the 2023 Southern Scuffle, he took the title at the 2022 Clarion Open, and he was named an NWCA Scholar All-American for the second straight year, to name a few;
- he was named Purdue's Most Outstanding Freshman, posting nine (9) wins over ranked opponents on the season, and opened the season with six straight non-conference dual victories, including a ranked win over No. 24 Richie Koehler of Rider;
- he holds the following national rankings in the United States:
 - ranked No. 72 overall recruit in the nation in 2019 by FloWrestling
 - ranked No. 55 overall in the Class of 2019 by Intermat
 - ranked No. 44 overall recruit in the country by The Open Mat 999

- he has expressed an earnest desire to represent the Philippines in international sports competitions, a country for whom his parents still hold much love and gratitude.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Grants Philippine citizenship to Matthew James Ramos 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. Ramos shall enter upon the full enjoyment of Philippine Citizenship.

RELATED LAW:

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