

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

**TWENTIETH CONGRESS**  
First Regular Session



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**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 143**

Submitted by the Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms on  
March 9, 2026.

Re: House Bill No. 8389

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 381, 874, 909, 1297, 5334, 5871, 6064, 6771, 6799, 6826, 6886, 6888, 6894, 7072, 7199, 7413, and 7574

Sponsors: Representatives Jonathan Keith T. Flores and Ziaur-Rahman "Zia" Alonto Adiong

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Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms, to which were referred House Bill No. 381, introduced by Rep. Jonathan Keith T. Flores, entitled:

**"AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES";**

House Bill No. 874, introduced by Rep. Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, entitled:

**"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES";**

House Bill No. 909, introduced by Rep. Bernadette S. Barbers, entitled:

**"AN ACT DEFINING POLITICAL DYNASTY AND PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT THEREOF";**

House Bill No. 1297, introduced by Rep. Mark Anthony Santos, entitled:

**"AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES";**

House Bill No. 5334, introduced by Rep. Ramon Rodrigo L. Gutierrez, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES”;**

House Bill No. 5871, introduced by Rep. Roman T. Romulo, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES”;**

House Bill No. 6064, introduced by Rep. Mauricio G. Domogan, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES”;**

House Bill No. 6771, introduced by Reps. Faustino “Bojie” G. Dy III and Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT AND PERPETUATION OF POLITICAL DYNASTIES TO PROMOTE EQUITABLE POLITICAL PARTICIPATION”;**

House Bill No. 6799, introduced by Rep. Lordan G. Suan, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;**

House Bill No. 6826, introduced by Rep. Adrian E. Salceda, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE II, SECTION 26 OF THE 1987 CONSTITUTION, AND PROVIDING FOR THE OPERATIONAL EFFECTS THEREOF”;**

House Bill No. 6886, introduced by Rep. Brian Poe, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES”;**

House Bill No. 6888, introduced by Rep. Edsel A. Galeos, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING AND PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;**

House Bill No. 6894, introduced by Reps. Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo and Arthur C. Yap, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES, PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;**

House Bill No. 7072, introduced by Rep. Atty. Miro S. Quimbo, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING POLITICAL DYNASTY AND PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT THEREOF”;**

House Bill No. 7199, introduced by Rep. Felimon M. Espares, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES”;**

House Bill No. 7413, introduced by Rep. Atty. Gerville “Jinky Bitrics” R. Luistro, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING THE CONCURRENT AND SUCCESSIVE HOLDING OF MULTIPLE ELECTIVE POSITIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE SAME FAMILY, IMPOSING LIMITATIONS ON FAMILY-BASED CANDIDACIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”;**

and House Bill No. 7574, introduced by Rep. Ma. Nina Francesca P. Lacson, entitled:

**“AN ACT DEFINING POLITICAL DYNASTY, PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT THEREOF, AND PROVIDING SAFEGUARDS AGAINST NEPOTISIM IN EXECUTIVE APPOINTMENTS”**

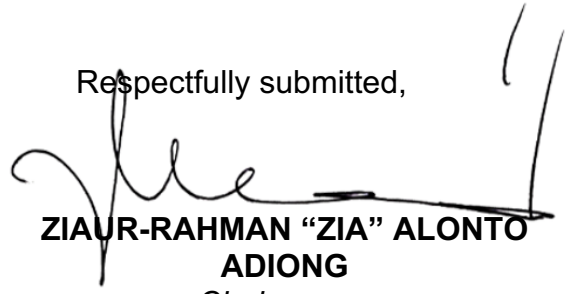
has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 8389, entitled:

**“AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES IN NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIVE OFFICES”**

be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 209, 381, 874, 909, 1297, 2037, 5334, 5871, 5905, 6064, 6771, 6799, 6826, 6886, 6888, 6894, 7072, 7199, 7413, 7453, and 7574 with Representatives Faustino “Bojie” G. Dy III, Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, Jonathan Keith T. Flores, Rachel Marguerite B. Del Mar, Bernadette S. Barbers, Mark Anthony Santos, Ramon Rodrigo L. Gutierrez, Roman T. Romulo, Mauricio G. Domogan, Lordan G. Suan, Adrian E. Salceda, Brian Poe, Edsel A. Galeos, Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, Arthur C. Yap, Atty. Miro S. Quimbo, Felimon M. Espares, Atty. Gerville “Jinky Bitrics” R. Luistro, Ma. Nina Francesca P. Lacson, Ronaldo V. Puno, Alexander Ty. Pimentel, Jesus “Jess” R. Marquez, Noel “Bong” N.

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Respectfully submitted,



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## **AN ACT PROHIBITING POLITICAL DYNASTIES IN NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIVE OFFICES**

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

1 SECTION 1. **Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the “Anti-Political Dynasty Act.”

2 SEC. 2. **Declaration of Policy.** – It is the declared policy of the State to ensure equal  
3 access to public office and opportunities for public service. To this end, the State shall  
4 prohibit political dynasties in all national and local elective offices.

5 SEC. 3. **Definition of Terms.** – As used in this Act:

- 6 a) Political dynasty refers to the concentration, consolidation and dominance of  
7 elective political power by spouses or persons related to one another.
- 8 b) Political dynasty relationship refers to an existing familial relationship with an  
9 incumbent elective public official, such as spouse, direct ascendant or descendant,  
10 sibling, or any other person related within the second civil degree of consanguinity  
11 or affinity, whether legitimate or illegitimate, full or half-blood.
- 12 c) Elective positions refer to the positions of:
- 13 i. President, vice-president, and senator at the national level;
- 14 ii. Member of the House of Representatives representing a legislative district;
- 15 iii. Governor, vice-governor, and members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan  
16 at the provincial level;
- 17 iv. City/municipal mayor, city/municipal vice-mayor and members of the  
18 Sangguniang Panlungsod/Sangguniang Bayan at city/municipal level;
- 19 v. Punong Barangay and Members of the Sangguniang Barangay at the  
20 barangay level

1 d) Relative refers to any person related to an elected public official within the second  
2 degree of consanguinity or affinity, whether legitimate or illegitimate, full or half-  
3 blood.

4 e) Spouse refers to the lawful or common law partner of an elected public official.

5 SEC. 4. **Applicability.** This Act shall be applicable to the next election and to all  
6 subsequent elections thereafter.

7 SEC. 5. **Prohibited Dynasty Relationships.**- Political dynasty relationships as defined  
8 under Section 3 of this Act are hereby prohibited.

9 Such prohibition shall apply to any of the following political dynasty relationships:

10 a) Spouses, or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any  
11 national elective position;

12 b) Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously running as member  
13 of the House of Representatives within the same legislative district;

14 c) Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective  
15 office within the same provincial government;

16 d) Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective  
17 office within the same city or municipal government;

18 e) Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective  
19 office within the same barangay.

20 SEC. 6. **Sworn Statement and Undertaking.** – Any person seeking an elective office  
21 shall, upon filing of a certificate of candidacy, execute and file a sworn statement and  
22 undertaking with the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) declaring the following:

23 a) That the person seeking an elective office has no spouse or relative seeking the  
24 same national or local elective office that would result to any prohibited dynastic  
25 relationship;

26 b) That in the event the spouse or relative of a person seeking an elective office  
27 nevertheless files a certificate of candidacy that would result in a prohibited political  
28 dynasty, those concerned shall comply with the procedure prescribed under this  
29 Act to determine who shall be allowed to assume the elective office; and,

30 c) That in the event that the person seeking an elective office should learn thereafter  
31 that filing/s of candidacy has/have been made which would create a potential  
32 political dynasty relationship as provided in this Act, the person seeking an elective  
33 office shall report the same within five (5) days therefrom to the COMELEC  
34 wherein the certificate/s of candidacy was/were filed.

35 SEC. 7. **Voluntary or Ipso Facto Withdrawal of Candidacy.** – In cases where  
36 certificates of candidacy filed by spouses or relatives will result in a potential political  
37 dynasty relationship based on information submitted in accordance with Section 5, the

1 COMELEC shall notify all persons affected by the relevant circumstances within a period  
2 of five (5) days from the filing of candidacy. The COMELEC shall, within the same period,  
3 also release such notice to the public in any manner that ensures that the persons  
4 concerned are informed.

5 The persons belonging to a potential dynasty relationship shall have forty-eight (48) hours  
6 from receipt of such notice, or from the posting thereof, to choose amongst themselves  
7 which person shall assume office in the event that any two (2) of them obtain favorable  
8 election results and to submit their joint written agreement to the COMELEC.

9 If no agreement has been reached after such period, the COMELEC shall proceed with  
10 the drawing of lots to decide who amongst them may be favored by luck.

11 Nothing herein shall preclude any elected official from voluntarily withdrawing their  
12 candidacy, as the case may be.

13 **SEC. 8. *Implementing Rules and Regulations*** - Within ninety (90) days after the  
14 effectivity of this Act, the COMELEC shall promulgate the necessary rules and  
15 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

16 **SEC. 9. *Separability Clause***. - If any provision or part of this Act is declared invalid or  
17 unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in force and  
18 effect.

19 **SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause*** .- All laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations, rules  
20 and regulations, contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby  
21 repealed or modified accordingly.

22 **SEC. 11. *Effectivity***. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in  
23 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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25 Approved,

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FACT SHEET

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*Committee Referral: **COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS***  
*Committee Chairperson: **REP. ZIAUR-RAHMAN "ZIA" ALONTO ADIONG***

**OBJECTIVES:**

- To define the term “political dynasty” and to prohibit its establishment in national and local elective offices
- To uphold the integrity, competitiveness, and inclusivity of democratic institutions by ensuring that public office is earned through meritocracy and public confidence

**KEY PROVISIONS:**

- Defines “political dynasty” as the concentration, consolidation and dominance of elective political power by spouses or persons related to one another within the second civil degree of consanguinity or affinity.
- Provides that the prohibition shall apply to any of the following political dynasty relationships:
  - Spouses, or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any national elective position.
  - Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously running as Member of the House of Representatives within the same legislative district.
  - Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective office within the same provincial government.
  - Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective office within the same city or municipality government.
  - Spouses or relatives within the second degree simultaneously holding any elective office within the same barangay.
- Allows the simultaneous holding of power per level of government but not in the same provincial, city/municipal, and barangay government, with the exception of national positions particularly senatorial seats where only one is allowed.
- Allows spouses and relatives to run as representatives in other legislative districts or partylist
- Allows spouses and relatives to run in other provinces except in the province/s where they have incumbent relative/s in power
- Allows spouses and relatives to run in other municipalities/cities except in the municipalities/cities where they have incumbent relative/s in power
- Allows spouses and relatives to run in other barangays except in barangays where they have incumbent relative/s
- Provides that in case where the certificates of candidacy filed by spouses or relatives will result in a potential political dynasty relationship, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall notify all persons affected of the relevant circumstances within a period of five (5) days from the filing of candidacy
- Mandates the COMELEC to release such notice to the public within the same period to ensure that candidates are informed

**RELATED LAW:**

- Article II, Section 26 of the 1987 Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines