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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m. of Tuesday, September 1, 2026, Deputy Speaker Alfredo “Albee” B. Benitez called the session to order.*

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INVOCATION

The Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter, Rep. Beverley Rose A. Dimacuha delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Crispin Diego D. Remulla, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abalos	Asistio
Acidre	Aumentado
Acop	Ayon
Acosta	Bag-ao
Adiong	Balindong
Agarao	Bancoro
Alano	Barba
Alba	Baronda
Albano	Bascug
Almario (C.M.)	Beltran
Almario (D.)	Benitez (A.)
Alvarez (J.)	Benitez (J.M.)
Amante	Bernos (J.)
Amatong	Biron
Ang	Bocobo
Angara	Bolilia
Angeles	Bondoc
Aquino	Bulut-Begtang
Arbison (M.N.)	Cagas
Arenas	Calderon
Arrogancia	Calixto

Caoagdan	Estrella
Cari	Ferrer (A.)
Catulpos	Flores
Cayton	Fortes
Celeste	Fresnedi
Cendaña	Galang
Chan (J.)	Galeos
Chua	Garbin
Chua-Tai	Garcia (A.)
Chungalao	Garcia (D.)
Co	Garcia (J.A.)
Co-Pilar	Garcia (K.H.)
Cojuangco (J.E.M.)	Garcia (M.A.)
Collantes	Gardiola
Corvera	Garin
Cruz (A.)	Gatchalian
Cruz (R.)	Gato
Cua	Gomez
Dagooc	Gonzales (A.)
Dalog	Gonzales (C.S.)
Dayanghirang	Gorriceta
De Jesus	Guico
De Lima	Guintu
de Venecia	Gullas
Defensor	Gutierrez
Degamo	Hernandez (D.)
Del Mar	Hernandez (F.)
Delos Santos	Hernandez (R.)
Dimacuha	Hofer-Hasim
Dimaporo (I.)	Ismula
Diokno	Javier
Dionisio	Kho (A.)
Domingo	Kho (E.)
Domogan	Kho (W.)
Duterte (H.J.)	Khonghun
Duterte (O.V.)	Ko
Duterte (P.)	Labadlabad
Dy (F.)	Lacson
Dy (F.M.C.)	Lagbas
Emano	Lagdameo (J.M.)
Escudero	Lagdameo (M.Y.M.)
Espares	Lagon (S.)
Espina	Lara

*In view of the Advisory issued by the Honorable Secretary General dated August 31, 2026, and pursuant to the Rules of the House of Representatives, the plenary session on September 1, 2026 was conducted through a hybrid arrangement, with Members participating physically in the Session Hall or through electronic platform.

Lazatin	Plaza
Legarda	Pumaren
Legazpi	Quimbo
Loria	Recto
Loyola	Regencia
Luistro	Remulla
Lumayag	Ridon
Macapagal-Arroyo	Rivera
Macasaet	Robes
Maceda	Rodriguez (E.)
Madrona	Rodriguez (M.)
Malapitan	Rodriguez (R.)
Maniquiz	Roman
Marañon	Romualdez (A.J.)
Marcos	Romualdez (Y.M.)
Marquez	Romualdo
Mastura	Romulo
Matibag	Roque
Mendoza	Sagarbarria
Mercado-Revilla	Sakaluran
Miraflores	Salceda
Momo	Sali
Montes	Salvacion
Nava	Salvame
Nazal	San Fernando
Nisay	Santos (M.A.)
Oaminal (H.)	Shimura
Oaminal (S.F.)	Singson (R.)
Olivarez	Singson-Meehan
Ongchuan	Solon
Ordanes	Soriano
Oreta	Suan
Ortega	Suansing (B.V.)
Ouano-Dizon	Suansing (M.A.)
Padiernos	Suntay
Panaligan	Tallado
Pancho	Tan (A.)
Pascual	Tan (J.)
Perez	Tan (R.M.)
Pimentel	Tanchay

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Benitez (A.) relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Janette L. Garin.

Teodoro	Tupas
Tereng	Tutor
Teves	Ty
Tiangco	Umali
Tieng	Ungab
Tinio	Uy (D.C.)
Tuan	Uy (R.)
Tulfo (J.)	Valeriano

Vargas	Yap (A.)
Vargas-Alfonso	Yap (C.)
Veloso	Yap (E.)
Veloso-Tuazon	Yap (J.G.)
Vergara	Yatco
Villa	Ynares
Villafuerte (V.R.L.)	Yulo
Villanueva	Zamora (M.C.)
Villarica	Zamora (Y.M.)
Yamsuan	Zubiri

With 244 Members responding to the call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

DEFERMENT OF APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Munir N. Arbison Jr., there being no objection, the Body deferred the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

On another motion of Representative Arbison (M.N.), there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions on First Reading as filed, Communications, Subpoena Duces Tecum, and Committee Report, which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 10925, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 150-B OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Gonzales (Alyssa Michaela)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 10926, titled:

AN ACT TO REFORM THE BUDGET PROCESS BY ENFORCING GREATER ACCOUNTABILITY IN PUBLIC FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (PFM), PROMOTING FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY, UPHOLDING CONGRESS' POWER OF THE PURSE,

INSTITUTING AN INTEGRATED PFM
SYSTEM, AND INCREASING BUDGET
TRANSPARENCY AND PARTICIPATION
By Representatives Tulfo (Ralph Wendel),
Tulfo (Jocelyn) and Soriano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 10927, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE
FRAMEWORK FOR HEALTHY FOOD
RETAIL ENVIRONMENTS IN THE
PHILIPPINES, INSTITUTING A NATIONAL
HEALTHY FOOD RETAIL PROGRAM,
STRENGTHENING FOR THE PURPOSE
THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL,
EXPANDING ITS POWERS AND
FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
By Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10928, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIRE STATION IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANAHAWAN,
PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 10929, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING GREATER
RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY
FROM PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT
AGENCIES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT 10361, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “BATAS KASAMBAHAY”
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 10930, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE FREE USE
OF GOVERNMENT-DONATED FARM
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION
18 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7607, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “MAGNA CARTA OF
SMALL FARMERS”
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 10931, titled:

AN ACT CONVERTING THE SAINT BERNARD–
HINUNANGAN DIVERSION ROAD IN THE
PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE INTO A

NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND
HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 10932, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FAIR TREATMENT OF
CERTAIN SENIOR CITIZEN PENSIONERS
BY GRANTING ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
CASH GIFT AND PENSION INCREASE
TO PENSIONERS OF THE SOCIAL
SECURITY SYSTEM AND GOVERNMENT
SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM WHO
ARE BENEFICIARIES OF REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 7699, “AN ACT INSTITUTING
LIMITED PORTABILITY SCHEME IN
THE SOCIAL SECURITY INSURANCE
SYSTEMS BY TOTALIZING THE
WORKERS’ CREDITABLE SERVICES
OF CONTRIBUTIONS IN EACH OF THE
SYSTEMS”

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 10933, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR MANDATORY
INTEGRATION OF VOTER EDUCATION IN
THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
CURRICULA
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 10934, titled:

AN ACT MODERNIZING THE REGULATION
OF HEALTH FACILITIES AND SERVICES
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,
REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 4226, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
THE “HOSPITAL LICENSURE ACT”
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10935, titled:

AN ACT INCREASING THE SERVICE
INCENTIVE LEAVE OF EMPLOYEES,
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE
95 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, AS
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
“LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES”
By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 10936, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A PERMANENT STAFFING COMPLEMENT FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR INDIGENT AND FINANCIALLY INCAPACITATED PATIENTS (MAIFIP) PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, CREATING PLANTILLA POSITIONS THEREFOR, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 10937, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SEEDLING BANK OF THE BUREAU OF PLANT INDUSTRY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HINUNANGAN, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 10938, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE ANTI-RABIES PROGRAM THROUGH MANDATORY MICROCHIPPING OF PET DOGS AND CATS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9482, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ANTI-RABIES ACT OF 2007"

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 10939, titled:

AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE NATIONAL FIRE TRAINING INSTITUTE (NFTI) FROM THE PHILIPPINE PUBLIC SAFETY COLLEGE (PPSC) TO THE BUREAU OF FIRE PROTECTION (BFP), AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTIONS 66, 67, AND 68 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11279, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990"

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 10940, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS HOTLINE, MANDATING ITS OPERATION,

INTEROPERABILITY, AND ADEQUATE FUNDING, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10941, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FIXED VALUE-ADDED TAX PRICE BENCHMARK FOR COVERED ELECTRICITY TRANSACTION AND EXPANDING THE VALUE-ADDED TAX EXEMPTION FOR FUELS USED IN POWER GENERATION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 108 AND 109 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

By Representatives Dagooc and De Jesus
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 10942, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A REGULATORY FRAMEWORK FOR DIGITAL PLATFORMS, PROMOTING RESPONSIBLE DIGITAL ENGAGEMENT AND ONLINE SAFETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN FROM ONLINE HARMS

By Representative Oreta
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 10943, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING COCONUT FARMERS' PARTICIPATION IN THE UTILIZATION OF THE COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11524, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND ACT", AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Fortes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 10944, titled:

AN ACT UPGRADING THE CLASSIFICATION OF IROSIN DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF IROSIN, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON FROM CLASS "D" TO CLASS "B" DISTRICT OFFICE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Fortes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 10945, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OPEN
UNIVERSITY OF THE DON MARIANO
MARCOS MEMORIAL STATE UNIVERSITY
IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO,
PROVINCE OF LA UNION AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Ortega
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10947, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A PREVENTIVE
HEALTH CALL-AND-RECALL
ENGAGEMENT SYSTEM FOR THE TIMELY
DELIVERY OF PREVENTIVE HEALTH
SERVICES, EARLY DISEASE DETECTION,
CONTINUITY OF PREVENTIVE HEALTH
CARE, AND ACCOUNTABLE FOLLOW-UP
OF CLINICALLY SIGNIFICANT FINDINGS,
STRENGTHENING PRIMARY HEALTH
CARE, PUBLIC HEALTH, AND LOCAL
HEALTH SYSTEMS, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

By Representative Veloso
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10948, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FIVE-
YEAR VALIDITY PERIOD OF THE
PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION
CARDS OF ALL PROFESSIONALS UNDER
THE PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
COMMISSION

By Representative Veloso
TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND
PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 10949, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GRADUATED, AGE-
CALIBRATED FRAMEWORK OF LIABILITY
FOR CHILDREN IN CONFLICT WITH THE
LAW AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTIONS 6 AND 7 OF REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 9344, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 10630

By Representative Pimentel
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 10950, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FREE MEDICAL AND
DENTAL SERVICES TO INDIGENT

CHILDREN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10951, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING FUNERAL AND
MEMORIAL DISCOUNT PRIVILEGES TO
QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10952, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING HEALTH MAINTENANCE
ORGANIZATION (HMO) COVERAGE FOR
ALL PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10953, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL
FILIPINO WOMEN'S MUSEUM, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 10954, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS
TO ALL QUALIFIED PUBLIC SCHOOL
TEACHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10955, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MARIKINA-
SAN MATEO-RODRIGUEZ GROWTH
AREA, CREATING THE MARIKINA-SAN
MATEO-RODRIGUEZ GROWTH AREA
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, PROVIDING
INCENTIVES THEREFOR, DEFINING
ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES
AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 10956, titled:

AN ACT PROMOTING HOUSEHOLD SOLAR ENERGY ADOPTION, PROVIDING INCENTIVES AND FINANCING MECHANISMS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Teodoro
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 10957, titled:

AN ACT DECLARING A ONE-TIME AMNESTY ON ALL UNPAID INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES IMPOSED BY THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT FOR TAXABLE YEAR 2024 AND PRIOR YEARS

By Representative Tan (Keith Micah)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 10958, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING CRIMINAL LIABILITY FOR THE NEGLIGENT FAILURE TO SAFEGUARD FIREARMS, PROVIDING ENHANCED PENALTIES WHEN SUCH FIREARMS ARE SUBSEQUENTLY USED IN THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME OR WHEN THE FIREARM INVOLVED IS GOVERNMENT-ISSUED, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10591, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “COMPREHENSIVE FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION REGULATION ACT”

By Representative Degamo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 10959, titled:

AN ACT INTEGRATING SOLAR ENERGY FINANCING INTO ALL SOCIALIZED HOUSING PROGRAMS, ESTABLISHING SOLAR-READY CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS, A BILL-SAVINGS GUARANTEE, AND BENEFICIARY OWNERSHIP OF ROOFTOP SOLAR SYSTEMS, ESTABLISHING A SOLAR LOAN FOR ALL PAG-IBIG FUND RESIDENTIAL BORROWERS, CODIFYING THE SIMPLIFIED PERMITTING REGIME FOR OWN-USE SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Catulpos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 10960, titled:

AN ACT CONVERTING SITIO PALUMBANES IN BARANGAY TOYTOY, MUNICIPALITY OF CARAMORAN, PROVINCE OF CATANDUANES, INTO A BARANGAY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Rodriguez (Eulogio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 10961, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING A SMOKE-FREE AND VAPE-FREE ENVIRONMENT IN ALL PUBLIC PLACES AND WORKPLACES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9211, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “TOBACCO REGULATION ACT OF 2003” AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11900, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “VAPORIZED NICOTINE AND NON-NICOTINE PRODUCTS AND REGULATION ACT”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Soriano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10962, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A MANDATORY IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10152, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “MANDATORY INFANTS AND CHILDREN HEALTH IMMUNIZATION ACT OF 2011”

By Representative Soriano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10963, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING MENTAL HEALTH COVERAGE UNDER THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION BY ESTABLISHING A MENTAL HEALTH VOUCHER SYSTEM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Soriano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10964, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MODERN HOSPITAL NETWORK LICENSING SYSTEM, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4226, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “HOSPITAL LICENSURE ACT”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Soriano
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10965, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING THE SCOPE OF AND PROVIDING FOR EXTENDED PATERNITY LEAVE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8187, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “PATERNITY LEAVE ACT OF 1996”, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Soriano

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT AND THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 10966, titled:

AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE REGIONAL OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Rodriguez (Rufus) and Rodriguez (Maximo)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 10967, titled:

AN ACT PROMOTING “SARILING KURYENTE” BY ADVOCATING THE RIGHTS OF HOUSEHOLDS, COMMUNITIES, AND OTHER QUALIFIED END-USERS TO GENERATE, STORE, CONSUME, AND SHARE ELECTRICITY FROM DISTRIBUTED RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES PRIMARILY FOR SELF-CONSUMPTION, PROVIDING ACCESSIBLE FINANCING MECHANISMS, INCENTIVES, AND REGULATORY REFORMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Veloso-Tuazon, Javier, Daza, Tan (Reynolds Michael), Tan (Stephen James), Ongchuan and Cari

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 10968, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING THE MISAMIS ORIENTAL II ELECTRIC SERVICE COOPERATIVE, INC. (MORESCO II), A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, OWN, MANAGE AND MAINTAIN DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF ELECTRIC POWER TO THE END-USERS IN THE CITY OF GINGOOG AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF MAGSAYSAY, MEDINA, TALISAYAN, BALINGOAN,

KINOOGUITAN, SUGBONGCOGON, BINUANGAN, SALAY, LAGONGLONG, BALINGASAG, AND CLAVERIA, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL

By Representatives Dagooc and De Jesus

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 10969, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE INTEGRATION OF WEST PHILIPPINE SEA STUDIES INTO THE CURRICULA OF ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AT ALL LEVELS AND A NATIONWIDE INFORMATION AND AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

By Representative Oreta

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10970, titled:

AN ACT EXCLUDING THE TUBIGON GROUP OF ISLANDS MANGROVE, SWAMP, FOREST RESERVE/WILDERNESS AREA IN TUBIGON, PROVINCE OF BOHOL, FROM THE COVERAGE OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586 OR THE *NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS) ACT OF 1992*, AS AMENDED

By Representative Yap (John Geesnell)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 10972, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL-BASED PROGRAM FOR THE PREVENTION OF GUN VIOLENCE AND OTHER FORMS OF SERIOUS VIOLENCE AMONG LEARNERS AND STUDENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Yulo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10973, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 6 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1271, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED “AN ACT NULLIFYING DECREES OF REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATES OF TITLE COVERING LANDS WITHIN THE BAGUIO TOWNSITE RESERVATION

ISSUED IN CIVIL RESERVATION CASE NO. 1, GLRO RECORD NO. 211 PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 913, AS AMENDED, BUT CONSIDERING AS VALID CERTAIN TITLES OF SUCH LANDS THAT ARE ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”, TO LOCALIZE THE COMPOSITION OF THE VALIDATION COMMITTEE

By Representative Domogan
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 10974, titled:

AN ACT CREATING A CONGRESSIONAL COMMISSION ON HEALTH TO REVIEW, ASSESS, AND EVALUATE THE STATE OF THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH SYSTEM AND RECOMMEND COMPREHENSIVE, EVIDENCE-BASED, AND TARGETED HEALTH REFORMS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Montes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10975, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE DEVELOPMENT, MODERNIZATION, AND COMPETITIVENESS OF SARI-SARI STORES, ENHANCING THE DELIVERY OF EXISTING GOVERNMENT SUPPORT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Montes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 10976, titled:

AN ACT UNIFYING THE NATIONAL POLICE CLEARANCE SYSTEM AND NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION CLEARANCE SYSTEM, CREATING THE UNIFIED CRIMINAL CLEARANCE SYSTEM DATABASE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Montes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 10977, titled:

AN ACT REORGANIZING THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION CENTER (WCPC) OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE

INTO THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN PROTECTION GROUP (WCPG), DEFINING ITS FUNCTIONS, STRUCTURE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Montes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 10978, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF MATERNAL AND CHILDBIRTH SERVICES BY ESTABLISHING BIRTHING CENTERS, TRAINING TRADITIONAL BIRTH ATTENDANTS, AND INSTITUTIONALIZING LAY-AWAY PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Montes
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10979, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE SURIGAO DEL NORTE STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALEGRIA, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Barbers
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10980, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11982, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “NEW PHILIPPINE PASSPORT ACT”

By Representative Barbers
TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 10981, titled:

AN ACT FURTHER AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7898, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10349, BY REVITALIZING THE REVISED AFP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Suansing (Bella Vanessa)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Bill No. 10982, titled:

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ADVERTISING, PROMOTION, ENDORSEMENT, AND

SPONSORSHIP OF ONLINE GAMBLING, REGULATING THE ADVERTISING, PROMOTION, ENDORSEMENT, AND SPONSORSHIP OF OTHER GAMBLING ACTIVITIES, STRENGTHENING AGE AND IDENTITY VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ONLINE GAMBLING, ESTABLISHING JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS, PROVIDING FOR THE TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION OF PERSONS AFFECTED BY GAMBLING DISORDER, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

By Representative Garcia (Karen Hope)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GAMES AND AMUSEMENTS

House Bill No. 10983, titled:

AN ACT PROMOTING AWARENESS OF CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10984, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING A HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10985, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING A COMPREHENSIVE RENAL REPLACEMENT THERAPY (RRT) FOR PATIENTS WITH END-STAGE RENAL DISEASE IN NATIONAL, REGIONAL, AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS, INCREASING THE PHILHEALTH PACKAGE RATE FOR RENAL REPLACEMENT THERAPY OF MEMBERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10986, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING A STANDARD OF CARE FOR THE TREATMENT OF PERSONS WITH BLEEDING DISORDERS, ESTABLISHING TREATMENT CENTERS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10987, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7719, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL BLOOD SERVICES ACT OF 1994, PROMOTING VOLUNTARY BLOOD DONATION, PROVIDING FOR AN ADEQUATE SUPPLY OF SAFE BLOOD, REGULATING BLOOD BANKS, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10988, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTING THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10989, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A RESEARCH CENTER ON OBESITY PREVENTION

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10990, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM IN CULTURAL AND INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES BY INSTITUTIONALIZING THE TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT OF TRIBAL HEALTH WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10991, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING IMMEDIATE COMPENSATION BENEFITS FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE USERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11036, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MENTAL HEALTH ACT

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10992, titled:

AN ACT INTEGRATING PALLIATIVE AND HOSPICE CARE INTO THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10993, titled:

AN ACT CREATING A DENTAL UNIT IN EVERY RURAL HEALTH UNIT UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AS PART OF THE PRIMARY APPROACH IN THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH SERVICES AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10994, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A FRAMEWORK IN THE CARE AND TREATMENT OF DIABETES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 10996, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 150-B AND 288-A OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND CREATING A NEW SECTION, 150-C, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Oreta
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 10997, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR GRADUATE STUDIES IN GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING, STRENGTHENING THE GUIDANCE AND COUNSELING WORKFORCE OF THE COUNTRY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Cayton
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 10998, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL VETERANS BURIAL ASSURANCE PROGRAM THROUGH THE ACQUISITION OF PERPETUAL INTERMENT RIGHTS IN ACCREDITED MEMORIAL PARKS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6948, AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Cayton
TO THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS AND WELFARE

House Bill No. 10999, titled:

AN ACT REGULATING THE PRACTICES OF AGRICULTURAL INTERMEDIARIES, PROHIBITING INTERLINKED LENDING AND FORCED CROPSALE, ESTABLISHING AN AGRICULTURAL WAYBILL SYSTEM AND AN ALLOWABLE TRADE MARGIN FRAMEWORK, CREATING THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON FAIR AGRICULTURAL TRADE AND A FAIR AGRICULTURAL TRADE COMPLIANCE REFERRAL SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT MECHANISM FOR FARMERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Flores
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11000, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MINDANAO FUNCTIONAL LITERACY AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF THE MINDANAO AGENDA 2023–2028, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Almonte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON MINDANAO AFFAIRS

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1396, titled:

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE KURASH SPORTS FEDERATION PHILIPPINES, INC. NATIONAL ATHLETES FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AND MEDAL HAUL IN INTERNATIONAL KURASH COMPETITIONS FOR THE YEAR 2025

By Representative Salceda
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1397, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DepEd) TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A NATIONWIDE “CLEAN SCHOOLS, CLEAN COMMUNITIES” PROGRAM IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE BASIC EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, INCORPORATING VALUES FORMATION, STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL CLEANLINESS, PROPER

WASTE SEGREGATION AND RECYCLING,
AND COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL
ENGAGEMENT, INSPIRED BY JAPAN'S
DŌTOKU OR MORAL EDUCATION
FRAMEWORK

By Representative Santos (Mark Anthony)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Resolution No. 1398, titled:

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY URGING THE
DEPARTMENT OF MIGRANT WORKERS
(DMW) AND THE BANGSAMORO
AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM
MINDANAO (BARMM) MINISTRY OF
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT (MOLE)
TO ESTABLISH AND OPERATIONALIZE
A JOINT DMW-MOLE ONE STOP
SHOP FIELD OFFICE TO BE LOCATED
IN BULUAN, MAGUINDANAO
DEL SUR TO BRING ESSENTIAL
SERVICES CLOSER TO OVERSEAS
BANGSAMORO WORKERS AND THEIR
FAMILIES

By Representative Mangudadatu
TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS
AFFAIRS

COMMUNICATIONS

Letters dated August 7 and 13, 2026 of Joseph B. Salud,
Bank Officer VI, Office of the General Counsel
and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas,
transmitting to the House of Representatives
duly certified copies of the following BSP
issuances:

1. Memorandum No. M-2026-040 dated
31 July 2026;
2. Memorandum No. M-2026-041 dated
05 August 2026;
3. Circular Letter No. CL-2026-037 dated
06 August 2026; and
4. Circular Letter No. CL-2026-038 dated
07 August 2026.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL
INTERMEDIARIES

Notice of Judgement from the Office of the Clerk of
Court, Supreme Court, Manila, furnishing the
House of Representatives a copy of Supreme Court
En Banc Decision (G.R. No. 279008).

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL
REFORMS

SUBPOENAS DUCES TECUM

Pursuant to Section 153, Rule XXIV of the
Rules of the House of Representatives,
transmitting the Subpoenas Duces Tecum
issued by the Office of the Ombudsman for the
following:

1. FF-C-OCT-25-0196 dated July 20, 2026,
issued by Nellie P. Boguen-Golez, Assistant
Ombudsman, PAMO II, Chairperson,
Special Panel of Investigators and Jesus
Crispin C. Remulla, Ombudsman, Office of
the Ombudsman; and
2. FF-C-APR-26-0335 dated July 9, 2026,
issued by Nellie P. Boguen-Golez, Assistant
Ombudsman, PAMO II, Chairperson,
Special Panel of Investigators and Jesus
Crispin C. Remulla, Ombudsman, Office of
the Ombudsman.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee Report No. 593, submitted by the Committee
on Government Enterprises and Privatization on
H.B. No. 10995, titled:

AN ACT LOWERING THE OPTIONAL
RETIREMENT AGE OF GOVERNMENT
WORKERS FROM SIXTY (60) YEARS TO
FIFTY-SIX (56) YEARS, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE SECTION 13-A OF REPUBLIC
ACT 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE
GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE
SYSTEM ACT OF 1997"

recommending its approval in substitution of House
Bills Numbered 207, 280, 556, 1322, 2120,
2395, 3356, 3941, 6041, 6359, 6954, 7294, 7748
and 7836

Sponsors: Representatives Olivarez, Tinio and
Matibag

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, upon the request of Representative
Remulla, the Chair recognized the presence in the
Session Hall of the guests of Deputy Speaker Yasser
Alonto Balindong.

Likewise, upon the request of Rep. Vincenzo
Renato Luigi R. Villafuerte, the Chair recognized the
presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Sarah
Jane I. Elago.

Thereafter, upon the request of Representative Remulla, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Caroline L. Tanchay from Japan, led by Mr. Masahiko Yamamoto, Assembly Member, Okayama Prefecture, Osaka; Mr. Masao Sakate, Former Adviser to the Southeast Asia Judo member countries; Mr. Kazumichi Kawano, Judo Coach, Kurashiki Sakuyo University; and Mr. Yoshikazu Fujita, Assistant Coach to Kawano Sensei as well as the members of the Philippine Judo Federation and UP Judo.

Subsequently, upon the request of Representative Villafuerte (V.R.L.), the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Dibu S. Tuan.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

With leave of the House, on successive motions of Rep. Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter, recognized Rep. Renee Louise M. Co for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CO

Representative Co expressed serious concern over the recent arrests of residents of Kasibu, Nueva Vizcaya, who were protesting against the activities of a large-scale mining company. She then presented footage, which she noted had been muted upon request, and alleged that the mass arrest was part of a three-month pattern of sustained and coordinated harassment against advocates opposing large-scale mining. She relayed that it began with the filing of Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation (SLAPPs) against anti-mining advocates, which can be used to pressure or silence individuals and communities participating in public advocacy.

She then questioned the claim of the Philippine National Police (PNP) that it merely responded to a 911 call and pointed out that the residents were blocking the North Luzon Mineral Resources

Corporation vehicles that carried fuel for drilling operations.

Representative Co emphasized that Kasibu is a watershed covered by Proclamation No. 163 and described the incidents as part of a broader pattern of repression involving the issuance of exploration permits, police deployments, SLAPP suits, and arrests of environmental defenders. Specifically, she underscored the following incidents: (1) an exploration permit was granted despite the lack of genuine free, prior, and informed consent; (2) the deployment of police personnel and the pursuit of legal action against residents and defenders; (3) the intimidation and arrests carried out while negotiations were ongoing; and (4) the police's claim that they were merely following orders and enforcing the law whenever the public asked for an explanation.

Referring to the ongoing deliberations of the 2027 national budget, she questioned the increase in the proposed PNP budget, asking whether such funds were being used against communities defending their rights and the environment. She also expressed her intention to propose a reduction in the police budget to curb alleged human rights abuses.

Representative Co stated that she had filed House Resolutions Nos. 422, 1193, and 1194 calling for an inquiry, in aid of legislation, into large-scale mining activities in Nueva Vizcaya, Dupax del Norte and Santa Fe, to name a few. She urged her colleagues to support another related resolution that she intended to file, and called for the release of the arrested residents and protection of the environment.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CO

On motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Co to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Remulla, the Chair next recognized Rep. Ann Matibag for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE MATIBAG

Representative Matibag reported on the recently concluded dialogue in Singapore between Philippine government officials and the regional executives of Meta and Roblox concerning the protection of Filipino children from online sexual exploitation and abuse. She stated that she joined the Philippine delegation, as Member of the House and Chairperson of the Committee on Women and Gender Equality, with the goal of ensuring that the commitments made during the dialogue would help shape stronger legal, institutional, and technological safeguards.

She then cited documented Philippine cases where Facebook, Messenger, WhatsApp, and Roblox were used to groom, coerce, and exploit minors, stressing that these were real cases involving real children. She emphasized that while online platforms did not create sexual predators and that offenders must be held criminally liable, companies have a responsibility to prevent foreseeable harm, detect abuse, preserve evidence, and respond promptly to lawful requests. The dialogue held in Singapore was driven by actual cases, operational gaps encountered by investigators, and the need for stronger cooperation with technology companies.

As Chairperson of the Committee on Women and Gender Equality, she stated that this concern was already part of the House legislative efforts thru House Resolution No. 900, which she filed with Reps. Cielo Krisel Lagman and Ysabel Maria J. Zamora, calling for a joint inquiry into the continuing proliferation of online sexual abuse and exploitation of children and other forms of technology-facilitated gender-based violence.

She relayed that the dialogue had produced specific commitments from Roblox: to establish a technical working group to work with the government on facial age estimation, identification, and possible verification through PhilSys; share relevant data with Philippine authorities for related investigations and case building; provide access to its Kodex law enforcement portal; designate a liaison for Philippine agencies; and improve its systems for detecting harmful local language and coded content.

Moreover, she said that Meta agreed to establish a technical working group with the Philippine government to improve coordination and response times, cooperate with law enforcement on child sexual exploitation and

cases involving imminent harm; provide technical assistance against child sexual exploitation and abuse; and send representatives to Manila to formalize the cooperation framework reached during the dialogue.

While commending the members of the Philippine delegation, Representative Matibag emphasized that the commitments were only a starting point, and their value would depend on actual implementation. She stressed that platforms, which design and control the systems, collect data, and profit from user engagement, must bear a corresponding duty alongside parents and schools.

Asserting that the commitments made in Singapore should translate into concrete and strong legislation, Representative Matibag relayed that the Committee on Welfare of Children had substantially reviewed the proposed Children's Social Media Safety Act, which aims to regulate children's access to specific online platforms, provide parental tools and digital literacy, strengthen monitoring and blocking, and establish meaningful penalties for noncompliant platforms.

Recognizing the challenging policy questions, Representative Matibag affirmed the need for careful, precise, and urgent legislation. Thus, she raised the following points: (1) the commitments made in Singapore must be translated into a written, time-bound implementation plan; (2) age-verification systems must be effective and privacy-preserving; (3) safety measures must be built into platforms by default; (4) safety systems must be localized to understand the Filipino language and realities; (5) law enforcement cooperation must be fast, lawful, and auditable; and (6) there must be proper accountability even in cases where children provide false ages, use transferred accounts, or access services without parental consent, especially when the platforms themselves have systems that are easy to evade.

In closing, Representative Matibag called on Meta and Roblox to fully implement and publicly report their commitments, while urging relevant government agencies to establish common benchmarks and regularly report measurable progress to Congress. She urged the House to pass a strong, enforceable, and privacy-respecting Children's Social Media Safety Act that clearly establishes proper accountability mechanisms to online platforms.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE MATIBAG

On motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Matibag to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

At this juncture, the Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 4:32 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 4:33 p.m., the session was resumed.

SUSPENSION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

At this point, on motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body suspended the Privilege Hour.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Remulla, the Chair suspended the session at 4:33 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 4:37 p.m.

OATH-TAKING OF HONORABLE AUSTRIA-BARZAGA

At this point, Majority Leader Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos informed the Body that the House was in receipt of the Certificate of Canvass of Votes and Proclamation of Winning Candidate for Member of the House of Representatives issued by the Commission on Elections District Board of Canvassers, stating that Hon. Jennifer Austria-Barzaga garnered the highest number of votes in the August 29, 2026 Special Election for the Fourth Legislative District of the Province of Cavite.

In view of the aforementioned, on motion of Majority Leader Marcos, there being no objection, the Body allowed the oath-taking of Honorable

Austria-Barzaga. Upon the request of the Chair, Honorable Austria-Barzaga, together with select fellow lawmakers, ascended the rostrum, and took her oath of office before the Body, with Speaker Faustino “Bojie” G. Dy III, to whom Deputy Speaker Garin relinquished the Chair, administering the oath.

At this point, Speaker Dy (F.) relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Garin.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Subsequently, the Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 4:42 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 4:47 p.m.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUESTS

Upon the request of Rep. Javier Miguel Lopez Benitez, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Reps. Jose Manuel Tadeo “Chel” I. Diokno, Percival “Perci” Cendaña, Dadah Kiram Ismula, and Kaka J. Bag-ao.

RESUMPTION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

Thereupon, on successive motions of Representative Benitez (J.M.), there being no objection, the Body resumed the Privilege Hour, and thereafter, the Chair recognized Representative Cendaña to avail of the Privilege Hour.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CENDAÑA

Representative Cendaña initially pointed out the high out-of-pocket healthcare expenses in the country as he expressed concern on the proposed differentiation of benefits for direct and indirect members of PhilHealth. He warned that labeling indigents, senior citizens, and persons with disabilities (PWDs) as “freeloaders” undermines the promise of universal healthcare (UHC) and stressed that said groups are indirect contributors through consumption taxes like value-added tax and sin taxes.

Representative Cendaña reminded Congress that under Republic Act (R.A.) No. 11223, the government is legally mandated to subsidize premiums for indirect contributors. He also noted that healthcare professionals do not distinguish between patients based on their contribution status and treat everyone equally.

Emphasizing that UHC is founded on social solidarity, whereby the healthy subsidize the sick and the wealthy support the poor, and underscoring the Filipinos' constitutional right to health, he criticized the government's failure to shoulder its lawful share of subsidizing the healthcare needs of the marginalized.

Finally, Representative Cendaña echoed the calls of reform advocates and health professional coalitions for the full implementation of UHC, and urged for the expansion of benefits for both direct and indirect contributors and the prioritization of every Filipino's health.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CENDAÑA

On motion of Representative Benitez (J.M.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Cendaña to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on another motion of Representative Benitez, the Chair recognized Rep. Girlie E. Veloso for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE VELOSO

Representative Veloso spoke on the issue of declining childhood vaccination rates in the Philippines. She cited the 2025 National Demographic and Health Survey, which showed that only 62.4 percent of children aged 12-23 months were fully vaccinated, leaving nearly four in ten children unprotected. She pointed out that despite R.A. No. 10152, which mandates free basic immunization, many children remain vulnerable due to barriers in access and growing fear of vaccines fueled by misinformation on social media.

Representative Veloso stressed that parents who raise questions about vaccine safety should not be dismissed, but rather engaged with respect and honesty,

and that the role of the government is not just to instruct families to vaccinate but to listen, explain, and earn trust, since vaccines are a means of prevention. She mentioned the dangers of diseases like polio, measles, pertussis, tetanus, and hepatitis B, and that the irreversible damage of such diseases make timely vaccination critical.

Representative Veloso also said that if the government truly believes in prevention, this belief must be reflected in its actions to protect the people, especially children. She added that vaccination is not merely another government program, but rather an investment in life.

Subsequently, Representative Veloso suggested strengthening trust, access, and follow-through by stronger public education and communication between healthcare providers and communities; expanding access to vaccines by bringing vaccination closer to the people, especially those in geographically isolated areas; and strengthening information systems that would help barangay health workers determine when and which children need follow-up. She further added that behind every vaccination statistic is a child and a family hoping to see that child grow up healthy.

In conclusion, Representative Veloso asserted that fear, misinformation, distance, or weaknesses in the health system should not keep necessary protections away from children. She said that the government must be proactive in promoting vaccination to prevent people from becoming infected with preventable illnesses, adding that the supreme end has always been the preservation and elevation of human life. She stressed that the highest duty of the government is not merely to respond to suffering, but to act to prevent it and preserve the human future entrusted to its care.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE VELOSO

On motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Veloso to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

On another motion of Representative Remulla, the Chair recognized Representative Elago to avail of the Privilege Hour.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

Representative Elago initially empathized with the families, workers, and farmers affected by the recent flooding across the country. Citing the magnitude of the damage, she emphasized the tremendous impact of the heavy rains and flooding, particularly on women who were left to attend to their families' needs, including medicine and other daily necessities. She said that these events raised questions about how the annual flood control allocation was spent.

Representative Elago, while recognizing that typhoons had been increasing in strength due to climate change, asserted that this was not an excuse for the failure of the country's flood control system. She noted that despite trillions of pesos having been allocated to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) flood management program, many communities remained flooded, with reports of irregularities in the utilization of flood control funds.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Garin relinquished the Chair to Rep. Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza.

Representative Elago also called for a stronger investigation into flood control scams involving government officials, contractors, and private entities, as well as for systemic reforms in the planning and use of flood control funds. In light of the ongoing budget deliberations, she warned that flood control projects should not be used for pork-barrel projects or for political or business considerations. Instead, she called for a scientific, integrated, and people-centered flood control master plan that is guided by flood-risk assessments, climate projections, watershed and river-basin management, land-use planning, drainage systems, and the participation of communities affected by flooding.

Pointing out the link between flooding and the destruction of forested mountains and watersheds, Representative Elago also called for an investigation into quarrying and mining permits in flood-prone areas and a study of waterways and their impact on communities. She recommended the participation of all sectors in crafting a comprehensive flood mitigation plan and urged an investigation into all flood control anomalies and the identification of those responsible.

Representative Elago emphasized that funds should be used to protect communities and the environment,

not for corrupt purposes, and called for all those responsible to be held accountable.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ELAGO

On motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Elago to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

EXTENSION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

On another motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body extended the Privilege Hour for another thirty minutes.

On further motion of Representative Remulla, the Chair recognized Rep. Robert Nazal to avail of the Privilege Hour.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE NAZAL

Representative Nazal initially expressed concern that parents now have to worry about their children's safety when sending them to school, noting that this should not be among the ordinary concerns of parents. He then cited recent incidents involving minors and their safety in schools, including one on August 26, 2026, when a senior high school in Quezon City temporarily shifted to online classes following unverified information regarding potential school safety concerns.

He noted that although the incidents arose under different circumstances, both underscored the need to take such concerns seriously and respond with preparedness rather than dismissal or panic. While recognizing that some schools could readily respond to security concerns, he expressed concern about how schools with limited resources would respond to similar situations. Thus, he stressed that school safety should be a national standard rather than depend on a school's resources.

Considering the recent cases of school violence and threats, he underscored the need for clear protocols before, during, and after incidents, including immediate medical attention, prompt parental notification, proper documentation, protection from further harm, and psychosocial assessment and support. He further advocated for a clear and comprehensive national

framework for school safety, stating that every school should have clear protocols for reporting and assessing threats, emergency preparedness, coordination with relevant authorities and parents, accessible reporting mechanisms for students, and systems for threat assessment and early intervention. He also emphasized that threats should be addressed through a responsible process that verifies information, assesses risk, protects the school community, and provides appropriate support to the child involved.

Subsequently, Representative Nazal highlighted the role of parents in monitoring changes in their children and listening to their concerns, and stated that the government must provide standards, training, technical assistance, coordination and reporting mechanisms, and necessary resources so that no school is left to improvise in responding to a potential threat.

In closing, Representative Nazal said that policy should not wait for tragedy, and urged the government to ensure that every school is prepared, every report is addressed, and every child is protected, regardless of wealth or the resources available to the school.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE NAZAL

On motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Nazal to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

There being no other Members who wished to avail themselves of the Privilege Hour, on motion of Representative Remulla, there being no objection, the Chair terminated the Privilege Hour.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 539 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10518

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10518 contained in Committee Report No. 539 as reported out by the Special Committee on Reforestation.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the

text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT INTEGRATING TREE PLANTING PLAN AS AN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING PERMITS.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair recognized Rep. Kenneth Paolo Tereng, one of the authors of the Bill, to sponsor the same.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TERENG

Representative Tereng initially highlighted the effects of climate change, noting that temperatures are rising and that the country is experiencing stronger typhoons, resulting in severe and extensive flooding. He thereafter stated that House Bill No. 10518 or the proposed Building Permit Tree Planting Act seeks to integrate environmental care into the building process by requiring a tree planting plan for every new construction of commercial and residential developments before a building permit is issued.

He explained that the measure would require the planting of endemic trees, specifically one tree for every 500 square meters of commercial and industrial areas and one tree for every 250 square meters of residential developments, while expressly exempting indigenous communities and modest traditional dwellings. He stressed that the Bill would not prohibit construction or impede progress but instead promote environmental protection by encouraging cleaner air, cooler surroundings, and greener communities.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10518

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on the measure in the absence of interpellations; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of committee and individual amendments; and approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10518 through *viva voce* voting.

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 579
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10744**

Whereupon, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10744 contained in Committee Report No. 579 as reported out by the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONTINUED GSIS MEMBERSHIP OF QUALIFIED FORMER OR SEPARATED NON-CAREER GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES THROUGH VOLUNTARY PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997."

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Bocobo, the Chair recognized Rep. Eric L. Olivarez, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor the measure.

**SPONSORSHIP SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE OLIVAREZ**

At the outset, Representative Olivarez highlighted that the Bill was a product of six House bills that sought to address the plight of qualified former or separated non-career government employees who are unable to complete the 15 years of creditable government service required to qualify for Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) retirement benefits. He explained that, as the government workforce serves in different capacities and under different forms of appointment, some qualified non-career employees render meaningful public service, contribute to the GSIS, and eventually separate from government service before reaching the minimum 15-year service requirement.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Mendoza relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Garin.

He explained that while the GSIS has long provided social insurance and retirement protection

to government workers, many non-career employees, including local elective officials and their staff, legislative personnel, and employees in the Offices of the President and Vice President, often leave government service before reaching the minimum service requirement because of the nature of their appointments and term limits, resulting in their being generally limited to separation benefits and unable to qualify for pensions. He added that these employees are disadvantaged under the current law because they are not permitted to continue contributing to the pension program after separation from government service.

Representative Olivarez emphasized that House Bill No. 10744 seeks to remedy this situation by allowing qualified former or separated non-career government employees who have not completed the required 15 years of service to maintain their GSIS membership through voluntary premium contributions of both the employee and government shares until they satisfy the minimum service requirement for retirement benefits.

Representative Olivarez said that salient features of the Bill include: (1) the former employee, rather than the government, would solely shoulder the required premium contributions, subject to the actuarial, administrative, and documentary requirements prescribed by the GSIS; (2) the GSIS would be given flexibility to allow premium payments based on a lower salary grade or compensation rate under reasonable terms and conditions; (3) periods covered by voluntary premium contributions would be credited as government service for purposes of establishing entitlement to retirement benefits under Section 13-A of the GSIS Law; and (4) no benefit would be granted unless the required premium contributions had been fully paid.

In closing, Representative Olivarez described the measure as a fair and fiscally responsible policy that recognizes the value of public service while safeguarding the financial and actuarial integrity of the GSIS.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair next recognized Rep. Jose Manuel F. Alba, one of the Bill's principal authors, to sponsor the measure.

**SPONSORSHIP SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE ALBA**

Initially, Representative Alba explained that the proposed measure was prompted by the reality that

government service does not always follow a straight or uninterrupted career path. He noted that many individuals enter government through non-career appointments, devote years to public service, and contribute to the GSIS during their employment but often cannot satisfy the minimum service requirement of 15 years for retirement benefits.

He stressed that the Bill would address this gap by allowing qualified former or separated non-career government employees who have not completed the required fifteen years of service to continue making voluntary contributions to the GSIS until the minimum creditable service requirement is completed.

Representative Alba emphasized that the proposed measure would not grant automatic retirement benefits, waive the fifteen-year service requirement, or require government subsidy for outstanding contributions, but rather, merely provide qualified members an opportunity to continue working toward retirement eligibility through their own voluntary contributions.

He further explained that those who would avail of the option shall be required to pay the full premium contributions, covering both the employee and government shares. According to him, such arrangement is both fair and fiscally responsible, as it allows former employees to complete the service requirement while protecting GSIS from unfunded obligations.

In stating that years spent contributing to GSIS should not necessarily lose their value because a member's government employment has ended, he noted that the Bill would allow qualified individuals to continue making contributions, subject to the actuarial, administrative, and documentary requirements of the GSIS. He added that the Bill provides that periods covered by voluntary premium contributions shall be credited as government service for purposes of determining entitlement to retirement benefits under applicable law. He emphasized that the measure was intended to enable qualified members to complete the statutory service requirement through continued contributions. He further stressed that no benefit may be granted unless the required premium contributions have been fully paid.

Representative Alba described the measure as providing qualified non-career government employees with an option to continue earning eligibility for retirement benefits while recognizing the realities of non-career public service. He reiterated that the

measure would not diminish existing retirement, separation, or other benefits enjoyed by qualified members under existing laws and gives the GSIS the authority to establish the necessary safeguards and implementing requirements. Thus, he urged the House to support the Bill as a means of ensuring that qualified non-career government employees have the opportunity to continue contributing, complete the required service, and secure retirement protection in recognition of their years of dedicated public service.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10744

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on the measure in the absence of interpellations; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of committee and individual amendments; and approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10744 through *viva voce* voting.

BUSINESS FOR THE DAY: COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 591 ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10971

Whereupon, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10971 contained in Committee Report No. 591 as reported out by the Committee on Local Government.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text thereof without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT FIXING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12232 OR "AN ACT SETTING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair recognized Rep. Florencio T.

Miraflores, Chairperson of the sponsoring Committee, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE MIRAFLORES

As Chairman of the Committee on Local Government, Representative Miraflores sponsored House Bill No. 10971, which seeks to set the term of office of barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (BSK) officials at five years, with the next elections to be held on second Monday of November 2028 and every five years thereafter. He explained that the proposed term period would give barangay officials more time to build capacity, secure resources, implement programs, and deliver meaningful results for their communities.

Representative Miraflores emphasized that a five-year term was not unprecedented, and that the Constitution expressly leaves the determination of the term of barangay officials to Congress. Citing the Supreme Court's ruling in the 2025 *Macalintal v. Senate*, he said that the sponsoring committee believed a five-year term to be the better policy for effective grassroots governance, and would not diminish accountability, as elections, term limits, and the people's power to choose their leaders would remain. Thus, he urged the House to support House Bill No. 10971.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair next recognized Rep. Antonino B. Roman III, Vice-Chairperson of the sponsoring committee and co-author of the Bill, to sponsor the measure.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ROMAN

Representative Roman rose to co-sponsor Committee Report No. 591, which recommends the approval of the substitute measure fixing the term of office of elected BSK officials at five years. He emphasized that the Constitution expressly leaves the determination of the term of barangay officials to Congress, which, as recognized by a Supreme Court ruling, required the exercise of legislative judgment in balancing continuity and accountability, effective governance and democratic renewal.

He said the sponsoring committee believed that the proposed five-year term would promote greater continuity and stability in grassroots governance, giving officials sufficient time to plan, implement, evaluate, and complete programs and projects. He

emphasized that the measure does not seek to simply postpone elections, but is an exercise of Congress' constitutional authority to fix the term of office, with elections remaining regular and periodic.

Representative Roman noted that a five-year term was not unprecedented, citing R.A. Nos. 6653 and 8524. He further stressed that accountability would be preserved through the retention of existing term limits for barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials. In conclusion, he urged the Body to support the proposed measure.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair next recognized Representative Benitez (J.M.), co-author of the measure, to sponsor the same.

SPONSORSHIP SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE BENITEZ (J.M.)

Representative Benitez stated that House Bill No. 10971 seeks to fix the term of office of BSK officials at five years, with the next synchronized elections scheduled in November 2028 and every five years thereafter.

He explained that the measure exercises Congress' express authority under Article X, Section 8 of the Constitution, to determine the term of barangay officials. Citing the previous Supreme Court rulings, he emphasized that fixing the term is distinct from merely postponing elections, so long as elections remain regular, periodic, and certain.

Representative Benitez noted that Congress had previously provided for five-year terms under R.A. Nos. 6653, 6679, and 8524, underscoring that the length of the barangay term is a policy matter entrusted to Congress. He emphasized that barangays, as the frontline units of government, operate with limited resources while carrying out essential services and implementing projects that often require several years to complete, and that the current electoral cycle could disrupt the continuity of multi-year projects and programs, whereas a five-year term would give BSK officials a longer and more continuous period to govern and implement their initiatives. He noted that the National Youth Commission supports the longer term for SK officials, while the one-term limit would remain in place.

He acknowledged that a longer term could also mean keeping ineffective officials in office longer,

but stressed that accountability would remain through regular elections, recall, administrative sanctions, and the existing one-term limit for SK officials.

Representative Benitez argued that the proposed five-year term would balance continuity and accountability and establish a permanent and predictable election cycle, justifying the transition to 2028. He added that holding the elections in 2027 would conflict with COMELEC's preparations for the May 2028 national elections. He emphasized that the measure would end the repeated postponement of barangay elections by establishing a fixed schedule and would not serve to protect incumbents, since the transitional period would be counted as a full term, officials already serving their third consecutive term could not seek the same position in 2028, and incumbent SK officials could not run for any SK position in that election. He added that the existing term limits for barangay and SK officials would remain intact.

With regard to election budgetary considerations, he acknowledged that around ₱8 billion of the ₱19.5 billion of Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Election (BSKE) allocation had already been spent or obligated, while about ₱11 billion remained to be accounted for to ensure transparency.

Representative Benitez emphasized that the proposed longer term would give BSK officials sufficient time to govern and complete their programs, while providing the public with a fixed and predictable election schedule. He added that the proposed measure is supported by Congress' constitutional authority to determine the term of barangay officials and remains within the legal boundaries established by the Supreme Court, as he urged the House to pass House Bill No. 10971.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair recognized Representative Co for her interpellation, and Rep. Henry "Indy" F. Oaminal Jr. to sponsor the measure.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE CO

Representative Co questioned the proposed extension of the terms of BSK officials, arguing that the measure could not be completely divorced from the postponement of elections because it would apply the new term to incumbent officials and move the next elections to 2028. She asked how the measure could be reconciled with the Supreme Court's distinction between a genuine term-setting law and an election

postponement law, noting the requirements governing the latter under *Macalintal v. COMELEC*.

Representative Oaminal (H.) responded that the Supreme Court had clarified the distinction in their 2025 *Macalintal v. Senate* decision, the term of barangay officials and, by necessary implication, determine when the new term would begin, provided that the period is reasonable and not unduly long. He maintained that the guidelines set forth under the 2023 *Macalintal v. COMELEC* decision did not apply when Congress exercised its constitutional authority to fix the term of office.

Representative Co acknowledged the clarification but maintained that the decision to hold the next elections in 2028 remained a policy choice of Congress, despite COMELEC's public pronouncements that it was ready to conduct the elections in November 2026.

Subsequently, she traced the history of the repeated postponements of BSKE, noting that there had been 10 attempts to postpone the elections since 1991, five of which resulted in postponement. She questioned whether Congress should confront the legal and moral implications of repeatedly changing the electoral schedule, arguing that doing so could undermine the people's right to regularly exercise their right of suffrage.

Representative Oaminal responded that House Bill No. 10971 differed from the previous measures because its primary purpose is to fix the term of office of barangay officials, pursuant to Congress' express constitutional authority, rather than merely postpone elections. He added that the first *Macalintal* decision did not prohibit Congress from postponing BSKE but merely established standards for doing so, which were further clarified in the Supreme Court's subsequent decision concerning Congress' authority to fix the term of barangay officials.

He maintained that the proposed five-year term and periodic elections every five years is within these parameters outlined by the Supreme Court, as elections would remain regular and the resulting postponement would merely be a necessary implication of Congress' exercise of its authority to fix the term of office.

Representative Co raised concerns about the proposed measure's dual effect of both postponement and term extension, questioning whether postponing the 2026 BSKE was truly necessary. She argued that the 2026 BSKE should proceed, emphasizing

the electorate's opportunity to choose their leaders and exercise their right of suffrage. She also pointed out that many SK councils were already struggling to function effectively because of resignations, vacancies, and changing circumstances among young officials.

In response, Representative Oaminal emphasized that the committee conducted extensive consultations with barangay and youth representatives, including the Liga ng mga Barangay, National Youth Commission, and SK National President, who expressed support for the five-year term and its application to current incumbents. As Representative Oaminal acknowledged concerns about vacancies and lack of quorum, he stated that these should be addressed through a separate measure allowing special elections. He maintained that the proposed measure was intended to establish a stable electoral cycle and reiterated that it was consistent with constitutional parameters. He stressed that the five-year term and 2028 election schedule were consistent with the Supreme Court's second *Macalintal* decision and did not violate the right to suffrage.

In closing, Representative Co acknowledged the committee's and sponsors' explanations but maintained that, despite the legal bases cited, she remained unconvinced that the measure, as presently worded, would benefit the youth and the nation, given its effect of postponing the 2026 BSKE and extending the terms of incumbent officials.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair recognized Rep. Antonio L. Tinio for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE TINIO

Representative Tinio pointed out that the proposed measure would effectively amend R.A. No. 12232, which was passed only in August 2025 during the 19th Congress. He noted that the law had already extended the term of BSK officials from three to four years and set the next elections for 2026. He noted that the Bill would again extend the term, this time from four to five years, and questioned why Congress was proposing another extension to five years so soon after the previous law was enacted.

Representative Oaminal (H.) stated that laws must evolve with the changing needs of the people. He explained that, after consultations with relevant stakeholders, including BSK officials, many expressed that a four-year term was insufficient. He argued that Congress has the power to reassess and amend laws to determine whether they remain sufficient to address the changing needs of its constituencies, adding that the committee and several authors had found that the existing law no longer adequately address these needs, prompting the proposed extension of the term of barangay officials to five years.

To Representative Oaminal's point that barangay officials were consulted, Representative Tinio asked whether the broader constituency was also heard, pointing out that ordinary citizens would likely prefer for elections to proceed, as term extensions could be closely associated with abuse of power. He stated that Charter change initiatives often include proposals to extend the terms of incumbent officials, including Members of the House of Representatives. He pointed out, however, that while the terms of officials are fixed under the Constitution, Congress has the authority to determine the terms of barangay officials, as recognized in the second *Macalintal* decision.

Representative Oaminal disagreed with the view that all constituents would prefer an election, noting that some of his constituents had expressed concerns about the frequent electoral cycles at the barangay level. He added that consultations with various stakeholders showed support for a call for a five-year development plan for barangay officials and raised concern about the need to train newly elected leaders.

Representative Tinio then questioned the significance of using the term "fixing" instead of "setting" the term of office of barangay officials, noting the wording used in R.A. No. 12232 and the proposed measure. He then proceeded to ask whether Congress could repeatedly revise in the future the term of barangay officials, warning that this could eventually undermine the people's right to suffrage.

In response to his colleague's queries, Representative Oaminal said that he would not speculate on Congress' future decisions and explained that the choice of "fixing" was rooted in the constitutional authority and duty of Congress to determine the term of office of barangay officials, as affirmed by the second *Macalintal* decision. He maintained that the Supreme

Court had provided safeguards requiring that the period be reasonable and not unduly long, noting that if the proposed measure was approved, the barangay elections would still be held within a five-year interval from the previous 2023 BSK elections in 2023. He also agreed on the importance of the right to suffrage but stated that the second *Macalintal* decision clarified that the guidelines set forth by the Supreme Court in the first *Macalintal* decision did not apply when Congress exercises its constitutional power to fix the term of office of barangay officials.

Representative Tinio nevertheless maintained that another term extension shortly after a previous extension could constitute an abuse of congressional power and unduly benefit incumbent officials. He asserted that although House Bill No. 10971 was presented as a term-fixing measure, he remarked that it would also postpone the barangay elections and would thus infringe on the voters' right to suffrage. He maintained that if a five-year term was desired, the elections should proceed and the longer term should apply to the next set of officials. He stated that the Bill's real objective was postponement of elections and that the second *Macalintal* decision was being used as a loophole.

In response, Representative Oaminal clarified that the purpose of House Bill No. 10971 was to fix the term of barangay officials to five years. Citing the second *Macalintal* decision, he explained that Congress' exercise of its constitutional power to determine the term of barangay officials does not violate the right of suffrage and that the compelling reason test from the first *Macalintal* decision does not apply to term-fixing statutes. He also referred to statements from COMELEC officials during committee hearings citing the oil crisis, possible funding constraints, and risks to the orderly conduct of elections as circumstances that could justify postponement.

In closing, Representative Tinio reiterated that barangay officials and incumbent government officials were the primary supporters of the Bill while ordinary citizens wanted the barangay elections to proceed. Thus, he expressed his opposition to the measure.

Representative Oaminal however put on record that consultations did not discuss political reasons for the measure, and reiterated that the Bill seeks to better serve barangay constituencies by providing barangay officials with an appropriate term and that the authors of the measure do not stand to gain from it.

TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF SPONSORSHIP AND DEBATE

There being no other Members who wished to interpellate the Sponsor, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on House Bill No. 10971.

MOTION OF REPRESENTATIVE VELOSO-TUAZON

Thereafter, Representative Veloso-Tuazon moved for the suspension of consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10971.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

The Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 7:33 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 7:34 p.m., the session was resumed.

SUSPENSION OF CONSIDERATION ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10971

On motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body suspended the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10971.

RECOMMITMENT OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10923

Further, pursuant to Section 59 of the Rules of the House, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body approved to recommit House Bill No. 10923 under Committee Report No. 589 to the Committee on Health in order to introduce perfecting amendments therein.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Subsequently, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair suspended the session until three o'clock in the afternoon of Wednesday, September 2, 2026.

It was 7:35 p.m. of Tuesday, September 1, 2026.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 2, 2026 with Deputy Speaker Yasser Alonto Balindong presiding.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Subsequently, on motion of Rep. Crispin Diego D. Remulla, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the titles of the following Bills and Resolutions on First Reading as filed, Message from the Senate, and Communication, which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 11001, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 15, 19, 30, AND 31 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12001, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “REAL PROPERTY VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT REFORM ACT”

By Representative Pleyto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

House Bill No. 11002, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING CLIMATE LITERACY IN THE BASIC EDUCATION CURRICULUM, MANDATING TEACHER TRAINING THEREFOR, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Pleyto
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 11003, titled:

AN ACT RESTRUCTURING THE MOTOR VEHICLE USER’S CHARGE, PROVIDING FOR A MOTOR VEHICLE ROAD USER’S TAX, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8794, ENTITLED “AN ACT IMPOSING A MOTOR VEHICLE USER’S CHARGE ON OWNERS OF ALL TYPES OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”, AS AMENDED

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11004, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING RETIREMENT, HEALTH CARE AND MORTUARY BENEFITS TO PROFESSIONAL FILIPINO ATHLETES WHO WIN CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES IN INTERNATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS OR OTHER EQUALLY PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL GAMES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11005, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS IN ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS, ESTABLISHING THE SUSTAINABLE SCHOOLS PROGRAM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 11006, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE INCLUSION OF A PERSONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY COURSE IN THE TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING CURRICULUM OF TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TRAINING CENTERS

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11007, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A COMPREHENSIVE REGULATORY FRAMEWORK ON THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 11008, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DISABILITY SUPPORT FUND FOR THE EMPOWERMENT, FULL PARTICIPATION, AND INCLUSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN SOCIETY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Eric)
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

House Bill No. 11009, titled:

AN ACT EXEMPTING PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES AND SOLO PARENTS FROM
GOVERNMENT FEES AND CHARGES
IN THE ISSUANCE OF BASIC DOCUMENTARY
REQUIREMENTS FOR EMPLOYMENT

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 11010, titled:

AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR
AND BANNING THOSE CONVICTED
OF ANIMAL CRUELTY FROM OWNING
ANIMALS, STRENGTHENING ANIMAL
WELFARE PROTECTION, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8485,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ANIMAL
WELFARE ACT OF 1988, AS AMENDED

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11011, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC
VETERINARY CLINIC IN EVERY CITY
AND MUNICIPALITY IN THE COUNTRY,
PROVIDING FOR THEIR OPERATION AND
MAINTENANCE, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11012, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING PROVINCIAL
SOIL LABORATORY FACILITIES IN
ALL PROVINCES OF THE PHILIPPINES,
STRENGTHENING SOIL HEALTH
MANAGEMENT AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11013, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE
ALTERNATIVE CLASSROOM LEARNING
EXPERIENCE PROGRAM TO
ALL SECONDARY AND TERTIARY
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS
THROUGHOUT THE PHILIPPINES

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11014, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING A LEGAL FRAMEWORK
FOR TRANSACTIONS AND OTHER
LEGALLY RELEVANT ACTS PERFORMED
THROUGH ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
AGENTS, ESTABLISHING A VOLUNTARY
DIGITAL AUTHORITY CREDENTIAL
FRAMEWORK, PRESERVING
ACCOUNTABILITY AND GOOD-FAITH
RELIANCE, PROTECTING LAWFUL DIGITAL
ASSET OWNERSHIP, SELF-CUSTODY,
PEER-TO-PEER AND OPEN-SOURCE
TECHNOLOGIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Villafuerte (Miguel Luis),
Villafuerte (Vincenzo Renato Luigi), Horibata
and Ridon

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 11015, titled:

AN ACT CREATING BARANGAY ANONANG IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF RIZAL, PROVINCE
OF KALINGA

By Representative Agyao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 11016, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A
NATIONAL CONTINUOUS VEGETABLE
PLANTING INTENTIONS SURVEY
AND MODERNIZING AGRICULTURAL
STATISTICAL FORECASTING THROUGH
REAL-TIME DATA AND GEOSPATIAL
TECHNOLOGIES, APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

By Representative Yap (Eric)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11017, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PROTECTION,
CONSERVATION, AND SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT OF THE SIERRA MADRE
MOUNTAIN RANGE, CREATING FOR
THE PURPOSE THE SIERRA MADRE
MOUNTAIN RANGE AUTHORITY,
DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Matibag

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES
AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 11018, titled:

AN ACT CREATING THE BICOL RIVER
BASIN MANAGEMENT OFFICE (BRBMO),
DEFINING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Delos Santos

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BICOL AFFAIRS
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11019, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING CHARACTER
EDUCATION IN THE PHILIPPINE BASIC
EDUCATION SYSTEM THROUGH A
HOLISTIC AND VALUES-BASED APPROACH
INSPIRED BY INTERNATIONAL BEST
PRACTICES, INCLUDING JAPAN'S
EDUCATIONAL MODEL, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 11020, titled:

AN ACT REQUIRING ALL SHIPPING LINES
OPERATING IN THE PHILIPPINES TO
ADOPT ELECTRONIC TICKETING
(E-TICKETING) AND CASHLESS PAYMENT
SYSTEMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11021, titled:

AN ACT ADOPTING A NATIONAL FLOOD
CONTROL BENCHMARK BASED ON
INTERNATIONAL BEST PRACTICES,
INCLUDING JAPAN'S FLOOD MANAGEMENT
STANDARDS, STRENGTHENING INTEGRATED
RIVER BASIN MANAGEMENT, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON BICOL AFFAIRS
AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11022, titled:

AN ACT ENSURING GENDER-RESPONSIVENESS
IN NATIONALITY LAWS, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE COMMONWEALTH ACT
NO. 473, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE
REVISED NATURALIZATION LAW", AND
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9139, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "THE ADMINISTRATIVE
NATURALIZATION LAW"

By Representative Matibag

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 11023, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FIFTEEN
THOUSAND PESOS (PHP 15,000) ACROSS
THE BOARD INCREASE IN THE BASIC
MONTHLY SALARY OF TEACHERS AND
EMPLOYEES IN THE PUBLIC BASIC
EDUCATION AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Matibag

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 11024, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING STANDARDS
FOR RELATED LEARNING EXPERIENCES
(RLE) IN NURSING EDUCATION,
PROHIBITING THE COLLECTION OF RLE
FEES FROM NURSING STUDENTS IN
STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES
(SUCs) AND LOCAL UNIVERSITIES AND
COLLEGES (LUCs), AND PROVIDING
FUNDING SUPPORT THROUGH THE
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
(CHED)

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11025, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING JOB PLACEMENT
OFFICES IN ALL PUBLIC SENIOR HIGH
SCHOOLS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND
COLLEGES, AND LOCAL UNIVERSITIES
AND COLLEGES, AND CREATING A
NATIONAL INDUSTRY-ACADEME COUNCIL
AND LOCAL INDUSTRY-ACADEME
COUNCILS TO ADDRESS JOBS-SKILLS
MISMATCH AND PROMOTE DECENT
EMPLOYMENT, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11026, titled:

AN ACT FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE
INCENTIVES FOR PRIVATE SECTOR
PARTICIPATION IN PUBLIC EDUCATION
INSTITUTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8525,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ADOPT-A-
SCHOOL ACT OF 1998"

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 11027, titled:

AN ACT REQUIRING CONSUMER-FACING BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS TO MAINTAIN AN ACCESSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE CUSTOMER FEEDBACK AND INCIDENT REPORTING MECHANISM, PROVIDING FOR IMMEDIATE RECEIPT AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF CONSUMER REPORTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 11028, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR HEALTH BENEFITS AND INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR WORKERS IN THE INFORMAL ECONOMY, ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL INFORMAL WORKERS HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM, PROVIDING GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PREMIUM CONTRIBUTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 11029, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING THE PALAWAN ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (PALECO) A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE, OWN, MANAGE, AND MAINTAIN ELECTRIC POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF ELECTRICITY TO END-USERS IN THE CITY OF PUERTO PRINCESA, AND MUNICIPALITIES OF NARRA, ABORLAN, QUEZON, BROOKE'S POINT, BALABAC, RIZAL, ROXAS, TAYTAY, EL NIDO, ARACELI, DUMARAN, CUYO, MAGSAYSAY, BATARAZA, SAN VICENTE, CAGAYANCILLO, AGUTAYA, AND SOFRONIO ESPAÑOLA, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN

By Representatives Salvame, Alvarez (Jose), Dagoo and De Jesus
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

House Bill No. 11030, titled:

AN ACT PENALIZING QUICK RESPONSE (QR) CODE FRAUD, INSTITUTIONALIZING PROTECTIVE FRAMEWORKS AND RESPONSIBILITIES FOR DIGITAL PLATFORMS AND FINANCIAL SERVICE

PROVIDERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 3, 4, 19, AND 20 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10175, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "CYBERCRIME PREVENTION ACT OF 2012", AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Suarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 11031, titled:

AN ACT UPGRADING THE CLASSIFICATION OF DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN LUCENA, QUEZON FROM CLASS "C" TO CLASS "A" DISTRICT OFFICE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Suarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11032, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING THE COVERAGE OF THE FIRST-TIME JOBSEEKERS ASSISTANCE ACT BY WAIVING GOVERNMENT FEES FOR LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) STUDENT PERMITS AND NON-PROFESSIONAL DRIVER'S LICENSES FOR QUALIFIED FIRST-TIME JOBSEEKERS IN LIGHT LOGISTICS, EXPRESS DELIVERY, MESSENGER, AND COURIER SERVICES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 4, 5, 8, AND 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11261, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Suarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION

House Bill No. 11033, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AN AUTOMATED EMERGENCY EMPLOYMENT FRAMEWORK FOR DISPLACED AGRICULTURAL WORKERS DURING SEVERE CLIMATE DISRUPTIONS AND EXTREME WEATHER ANOMALIES, CREATING THE "CLIMATE-TO-WORK" (C2W) PROGRAM, PROVIDING APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCIAL MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Suarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11034, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 5 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11282, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL
STATE COLLEGE ACT,” TO REORGANIZE
THE COMPOSITION OF ITS BOARD OF
TRUSTEES

By Representative Almonte
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 1399, titled:

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE
OF REPRESENTATIVES, THROUGH
THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE/S,
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF
LEGISLATION, INTO THE ALARMING
RISE OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE INCIDENTS
IN THE PHILIPPINES, WITH THE END
VIEW OF UNDERSTANDING ITS
ROOT CAUSES AND CRAFTING THE
APPROPRIATE LEGISLATIVE AND
EXECUTIVE MEASURES TO PREVENT
ITS RECURRENCE

By Representative Yatco
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1400, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON
HUMAN RIGHTS AND COMMITTEE ON
JUSTICE TO IMMEDIATELY CONDUCT
AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF
LEGISLATION, INTO THE SITUATION OF
POLITICAL PRISONERS IN JAILS ACROSS
THE COUNTRY

By Representatives Elago, Co and Tinio
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1401, titled:

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY TO CONDUCT
AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION,
INTO THE CONDITIONAL JOINT
VENTURE AGREEMENT ENTERED INTO
BY SOUTH COTABATO II ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVE, INC. (SOCOTECO II)
AND IGNITE POWER AND ENERGY
CORPORATION (IGNITE), WITH THE
END IN VIEW OF DETERMINING
COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS,
RULES, AND REGULATIONS; ENSURING
TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY,

AND THE PRUDENT STEWARDSHIP OF
COOPERATIVE ASSETS; PROTECTING
THE RIGHTS AND ECONOMIC INTERESTS
OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE
MEMBER-CONSUMER-OWNERS; AND
STRENGTHENING THE GOVERNANCE
AND REGULATION OF JOINT VENTURE
ARRANGEMENTS INVOLVING ELECTRIC
COOPERATIVES

By Representative Bañas-Nogralles
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1402, titled:

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND
COMMENDING MS. KATRINA “KAT”
LLEGADO FOR BEING CROWNED MISS
SUPRANATIONAL 2026, BECOMING
THE SECOND FILIPINA TO WIN THE
PRESTIGIOUS INTERNATIONAL TITLE,
AND FOR BRINGING HONOR AND PRIDE
TO THE PHILIPPINES

By Representative Matibag
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1403, titled:

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HOUSE
COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION
AND CULTURE, JOINTLY WITH
THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND OTHER
APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES, TO
CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF
LEGISLATION, INTO THE PRACTICE OF
REQUIRING OR COMPELLING STUDENTS
TO USE THEIR PERSONAL SOCIAL
MEDIA ACCOUNTS FOR ACADEMIC
REQUIREMENTS, SCHOOL ACTIVITIES,
AND INSTITUTIONAL PROMOTIONAL
PURPOSES, WITH THE END IN VIEW
OF SAFEGUARDING STUDENTS’
RIGHTS TO PRIVACY, DIGITAL SAFETY,
AND FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION,
AND ENSURING THAT APPROPRIATE
POLICIES ARE IN PLACE TO PROTECT
THEIR PERSONAL DIGITAL SPACES

By Representative Matibag
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 1404, titled:

A RESOLUTION CONFERRING HONORARY
FILIPINO CITIZENSHIP UPON DR. JIKYEONG
KANG IN RECOGNITION OF HER
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO
PHILIPPINE HIGHER EDUCATION,

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT,
INNOVATION, AND THE FORMATION OF
GENERATIONS OF FILIPINO AND ASIAN
LEADERS

By Representative Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Resolution No. 1405, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING ALBERT IAN DELOS
SANTOS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING
PERFORMANCE AT THE 2026 ASIAN
YOUTH & JUNIOR WEIGHTLIFTING
CHAMPIONSHIPS IN TASHKENT,
UZBEKISTAN, WHERE HE WON THREE
GOLD MEDALS AND SET TWO NEW
RECORDS

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1406, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING BELLA AALIYAH
FANO FOR HER HISTORIC GOLD-MEDAL
PERFORMANCE IN THE 4TH SOUTHEAST
ASIA OPEN WATER SWIMMING
CHAMPIONSHIPS

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1407, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING KEIRSTEN LAYNE
FERNANDEZ AND THE PHILIPPINE
DELEGATION FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING
PERFORMANCE IN THE 2026 ASIAN OPEN
SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING TROPHY
IN INDIA

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1408, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING THE PHILIPPINE
WOMEN'S NATIONAL BASEBALL TEAM
FOR SECURING THE PHILIPPINES'
FIRST-EVER WIN IN THE WBSC WOMEN'S
BASEBALL WORLD CUP

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1409, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND
CONGRATULATING THE PHILIPPINE
CHESS DELEGATION, LED BY THE
NATIONAL CHESS FEDERATION OF THE
PHILIPPINES, FOR ITS HISTORIC
PERFORMANCE AND 83-MEDAL HAUL
AT THE 24TH ASEAN+ AGE-GROUP CHESS
CHAMPIONSHIPS 2026 IN SINGAPORE

By Representative Vargas
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 1410, titled:

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND
COMMENDING THE 2026 METROBANK
FOUNDATION OUTSTANDING FILIPINOS

By Representative Dy (Faustino)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Message dated September 1, 2026, informing the
House of Representatives that on even date, the
Senate passed Senate Bill No. 2420, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE
REDEVELOPMENT OF CONDOMINIUMS,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 4726, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "THE CONDOMINIUM ACT"

in which it requests the concurrence of the House of
Representatives.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND URBAN
DEVELOPMENT

COMMUNICATION

Letter dated August 25, 2026 of Joseph B. Salud,
Bank Officer VI, Office of the General Counsel
and Legal Services, Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas,
transmitting to the House of Representatives duly
certified copies of the following BSP issuances:

1. Circular Letter No. CL-2026-039 dated
14 August 2026;
2. Memorandum No. M-2026-042 dated
12 August 2026; and
3. Memorandum No. M-2026-043 dated
20 August 2026.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL
INTERMEDIARIES

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 516
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10208**

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Vincenzo Renato Luigi R. Villafuerte, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10208 contained in Committee Report No. 516 as reported out by the Committee on Legislative Franchises.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER TWENTY-FIVE YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO NEWSOUNDS BROADCASTING NETWORK, INC., UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9214, ENTITLED "AN ACT GRANTING THE NEWSOUNDS BROADCASTING NETWORK, INC. A FRANCHISE TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, ESTABLISH, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN RADIO AND TELEVISION BROADCASTING STATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES."

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Villafuerte, the Chair recognized Rep. Jeffrey P. Ferrer, Chairperson of the Committee on Legislative Franchises, for his sponsorship speech.

**SPONSORSHIP SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE FERRER (J.)**

In sponsoring the proposed measure which seeks to renew for another twenty-five (25) years the legislative franchise of Newsounds Broadcasting Network, Representative Ferrer stressed that the aforementioned network provides news, public affairs, and entertainment programming to communities nationwide and has maintained a long-standing record of public service. He noted that the proposed franchise renewal was favorably acted upon during the committee deliberation, with Members expressing support for the measure and seeking to be included as coauthors.

Representative Ferrer emphasized that the renewal would help ensure continued public access, particularly in the provinces, to news, advisories, and other programs in languages understood by local communities. He then urged the Body for the approval of the proposed measure.

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Villafuerte (V.R.L.), the Chair next recognized Senior Deputy Majority Leader Lorenz R. Defensor, a principal author of the Bill, to sponsor the same.

**SPONSORSHIP SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE DEFENSOR**

At the outset, Representative Defensor cited Newsounds Broadcasting Network, Inc.'s long-standing role as a recognized and trusted broadcasting institution. He highlighted the Network's contributions to press freedom and its delivery of news, public affairs, educational programs, and entertainment through its Bombo Radyo and Star FM stations. He noted the Network's modernization efforts, leadership in the broadcasting industry, and recognition from various award-giving bodies for excellence in broadcasting. According to him, the renewal of its franchise would enable the Network to continue providing reliable news and public service and upholding its role as a credible source of information for the Filipino people. Thus, Representative Defensor urged for the immediate approval of House Bill No. 10208.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10208**

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Villafuerte (V.R.L.), there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on the measure in the absence of interpellations; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of committee and individual amendments; and approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10208 through *viva voce* voting.

**BUSINESS FOR THE DAY:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 581
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10768**

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Villafuerte (V.R.L.), there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10768 contained in Committee Report No. 581 as reported out by the Committee on Welfare of Children.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND
ENHANCING THE ROLE OF PARENT-
TEACHER AND COMMUNITY
ASSOCIATIONS IN PROMOTING THE
WELFARE AND PROTECTING THE
RIGHTS OF CHILDREN IN PUBLIC
SCHOOLS, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO.
603, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE CHILD
AND YOUTH WELFARE CODE.”

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Villafuerte, the Chair recognized Rep. Lani Mercado-Revilla, one of the Bill’s principal authors, to sponsor the measure.

**SPONSORSHIP SPEECH
OF REPRESENTATIVE MERCADO-REVILLA**

Representative Mercado-Revilla sponsored House Bill No. 10768, which seeks to institutionalize the Parent-Teacher and Community Association (PTCA) as a statutory partner in the care, development, and protection of Filipino children. She explained that the measure gives PTCAs a clear legal foundation, noting that they have long served schools and communities but have operated mainly under administrative rules.

She said that the Bill, which proposes to amend Presidential Decree No. 203, would require every public child development center and basic education school to organize a PTCA composed of parents, parent-substitutes, teachers, and a non-voting community representative.

Representative Mercado-Revilla emphasized that membership would be voluntary and free from mandatory fees, and that the PTCA would remain consultative, supportive, and participatory without superseding the authority of the Department of Education or school heads. She said that PTCA would function to include promoting child-centered programs, fostering shared responsibility among stakeholders, giving children a meaningful voice, and providing a forum for school and community concerns.

Representative Mercado-Revilla particularly highlighted the requirement for the PTCA to designate a parent member to the school’s Child Protection Committee, strengthening its role in child protection while observing confidentiality and privacy safeguards. She noted that the Bill was harmonized from three related measures and was then refined to align with existing education, child welfare, and local government laws.

Representative Mercado-Revilla said the measure recognizes that the upbringing and protection of children is a shared responsibility of the home, school, and community. Thus, she urged for the approval of House Bill No. 10768.

**APPROVAL ON SECOND READING
OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10768**

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Villafuerte (V.R.L.), there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of sponsorship and debate on the measure in the absence of interpellations; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of committee and individual amendments; and approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10768 through *viva voce* voting.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, upon the request of Rep. Ryan S. Recto, the Chair recognized the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Deputy Speaker Yevgeny Vincente B. Emano.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 591
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 10971**

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Anna Victoria Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10971 contained in Committee Report No. 591 as reported out by the Committee on Local Government.

As copies of the Bill had been distributed to the Members, the Body dispensed with the reading of the text of the measure without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House; and upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the title of the Bill, to wit:

AN ACT FIXING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF
BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS
OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN TO
FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 12232 OR “AN ACT SETTING
THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY
OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE
SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.”

Representative Veloso-Tuazon stated that the parliamentary status was that the period of sponsorship and debate on the Bill had been terminated; and on her motion, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the period of amendments.

PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no committee amendments, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded to the consideration of individual amendments; and thereafter, the Chair recognized Rep. Florencio T. Miraflores, Chairperson of the Committee on Local Government, and Rep. Javier Miguel Lopez Benitez, to sponsor the measure and introduce individual amendments, respectively.

AMENDMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE BENITEZ (J.M.)

As proposed by Representative Benitez and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved to reduce the consecutive term limit for barangay officials from three to two terms under House Bill No. 10971.

In explaining his amendment to House Bill No. 10971, Representative Benitez stated that the proposed five-year term would be sufficient to govern without encouraging the entrenchment of power. He explained that the amendment was legally permissible because the three-term limit is provided by statute, not the Constitution, and may therefore be amended by Congress. He noted that the Constitution leaves the term of barangay officials to be determined by law; and emphasized that the amendment retains the safeguards under House Bill No. 10971, including counting the transition period as a completed term, barring officials already serving their third consecutive term from running in 2028, and preserving the one-term limit for Sangguniang Kabataan officials.

TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no other individual amendments, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments on House Bill No. 10971.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10971, AS AMENDED

On subsequent motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10971, as amended, through *viva voce* voting.

OMNIBUS APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILLS CALENDARED UNDER THE BUSINESS FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY

Subsequently, on an omnibus motion of Rep. Ma. Alana Samantha Taliño Santos, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration on Second Reading of the following House Bills calendared under the Business for Thursday and Friday contained in various committee reports as submitted by the Committee on Local Government; dispensed with the reading of the texts of the measures without prejudice to their insertion into the Record of the House as copies thereof had been previously distributed to the Members; adopted the Explanatory Notes of the Bills as the sponsorship remarks on the measures; terminated the period of sponsorship and debate in the absence of interpellations; terminated the period of amendments in the absence of committee and individual amendments; and approved the measures on Second Reading through *viva voce* voting:

1. House Bill No. 10946 contained in Committee Report No. 590, declaring March 15 of every year a special non-working holiday in Magallanes, Cavite, to commemorate its founding anniversary; and
2. House Bill No. 5817 contained in Committee Report No. 592, amending Section 5 of Republic Act No. 11550 or the Charter of Provinces of Maguindanao del Norte and Maguindanao del Sur, providing for the transfer of the capital town and seat of government of Maguindanao del Norte from Datu Odin Sinsuat to Sultan Kudarat.

ADOPTION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1410

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representative Recto, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the consideration of House Resolution No. 1410, titled: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE 2026 METROBANK FOUNDATION OUTSTANDING FILIPINOS; dispensed with the reading of the Resolution without prejudice to its insertion into the Record of the House as copies thereof had been distributed to the Members; and unanimously adopted the same through *viva voce* voting.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Recto, the Chair suspended the session at 3:38 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 3:46 p.m.

RECONSIDERATION OF THE APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10971

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body reconsidered the approval on Second Reading of House Bill No. 10971, titled: AN ACT FIXING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12232 OR “AN ACT SETTING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,” in order to introduce perfecting amendments therein.

PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

On successive motions of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the period of amendments; and thereafter, the Chair recognized Representative Miraflores to sponsor House Bill No. 10971, and Representative Benitez (J.M.) to introduce his individual amendment.

AMENDMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE BENITEZ (J.M.)

As proposed by Representative Benitez and accepted by the Sponsor, there being no objection, the Body approved to add a new Section 4 and to renumber the succeeding sections of House Bill No. 10971.

TERMINATION OF PERIOD OF AMENDMENTS

There being no further individual amendments, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body terminated the period of amendments.

APPROVAL ON SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10971, AS AMENDED

On further motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body approved on Second Reading House Bill No. 10971, as amended, through *viva voce* voting.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Upon the request of Representative Recto, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Speaker Faustino “Bojie” G. Dy III and Rep. Ann Matibag.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

At this point, on motion of Representative Recto, the Chair suspended the session at 3:51 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

At 3:58 p.m., the session was resumed.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS

Thereafter, on successive motions of Representatives Recto, Santos (M.A.S.), and Antonino B. Roman III, there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the approval on Third Reading of the following House Bills, printed copies of which were electronically distributed to the Members on the dates specified hereunder, pursuant to Section 58, Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives:

Distributed on August 27, 2026:

1. House Bill No. 9702, titled: AN ACT FIXING THE SHARE OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT HOSTING GAMING OPERATIONS LICENSED OR OPERATED BY THE PHILIPPINE AMUSEMENT AND GAMING CORPORATION IN THE PROCEEDS OF THE FRANCHISE TAX, FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 12 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1869, AS AMENDED.

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a roll call vote was made.

RESULT OF VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abalos	Adiong
Acidre	Advincula
Acop	Agarao
Acosta	Alano

Alba	Cua	Ko	Remulla
Albano	Dalog	Labadlabad	Revilla (B.)
Almario (C.M.)	Dayanghirang	Lacson	Revilla (R.J.)
Almario (D.)	De Jesus	Lagbas	Ridon
Alvarez (J.)	De Lima	Lagdameo (J.M.)	Rivera
Amante	Defensor	Lagdameo (M.Y.M)	Robes
Amatong	Degamo	Lagman	Rodriguez (E.)
Ang	Del Mar	Lagon (S.)	Rodriguez (M.)
Angeles	Delos Santos	Lara	Rodriguez (R.)
Aquino	Dimacuha	Lazatin	Roman
Aquino-Magsaysay	Dimaporo (I.)	Legacion	Romualdez (A.J.)
Arbison (M.)	Dionisio	Legazpi	Romualdo
Arbison (M.N.)	Domingo	Libanan	Roque
Arenas	Dy (F.)	Loria	Sagarbarria
Arrogancia	Dy (F.M.C.)	Loyola	Sakaluran
Asistio	Emano	Lumayag	Salceda
Atayde	Enverga	Maceda	Sali
Aumentado	Erice	Madrona	Salvacion
Austria-Barzaga	Escudero	Malapitan	Salvador
Ayon	Espares	Mangudadatu	Salvame
Bancoro	Espina	Maniquiz	Santos (M.A.S.)
Barba	Estrella	Marañon	Santos (M.A.)
Baronda	Ferrer (A.)	Marcoleta	Shimura
Bascug	Ferrer (J.)	Marcos	Singson (R.)
Bautista (J.M.)	Flores	Marquez	Singson-Meehan
Bautista-Lim	Fortes	Matibag	Solon
Beltran	Fresnedi	Matugas	Soriano
Benitez (A.)	Galang	Mendoza	Suansing (B.V.)
Benitez (J.M.)	Galeos	Mercado-Revilla	Suansing (M.A.)
Bernos (C.)	Garbin	Miraflores	Suntay
Bernos (J.)	Garcia (A.)	Nava	Tallado
Biron	Garcia (D.)	Nazal	Tan (A.)
Bocobo	Garcia (J.A.)	Nolasco	Tan (J.)
Bolilia	Garcia (K.H.)	Oaminal (H.)	Tan (K.M.)
Briones	Gardiola	Oaminal (S.F.)	Tan (S.)
Bulut-Begtang	Garin	Olivarez	Tanchay
Cagas	Gatchalian	Ongchuan	Tanjuatco
Calderon	Gato	Ordanes	Tarriela
Calixto	Gomez	Oreta	Teodoro
Caoagdan	Gonzales (A.)	Ortega	Tereng
Cari	Gonzales (A.M.)	Ouano-Dizon	Teves
Castro	Gonzales (R.)	Padiernos	Tiangco
Catulpos	Guico	Panaligan	Tieng
Cayton	Guintu	Pancho	Tuan
Celeste	Gullas	Panotes	Tulfo (J.)
Ceniza	Gutierrez	Pascual	Tulfo (R.W.)
Chan (J.F.N.J)	Hernandez (C.A.)	Perez	Tupas
Chan (J.)	Hernandez (D.)	Pimentel	Umali
Chua-Tai	Hernandez (F.)	Plaza	Uy (D.C.)
Chungalao	Hernandez (R.)	Pleyto	Uy (R.)
Co-Pilar	Javier	Poe	Valeriano
Collantes	Kho (A.)	Pumaren	Vargas-Alfonso
Corvera	Kho (E.)	Quimbo	Veloso
Cruz (A.)	Kho (W.)	Recto	Veloso-Tuazon
Cruz (R.)	Khonghun	Regencia	Vergara

Villa	Yap (J.G.)	Amatong	De Jesus
Villafuerte (M.L.)	Yatco	Ang	De Lima
Villafuerte (V.R.L.)	Ynares	Angeles	Defensor
Villarica	Yu (J.K.)	Aquino	Degamo
Yamsuan	Yulo	Aquino-Magsaysay	Del Mar
Yap (A.)	Zamora (M.C.)	Arbison (M.)	Delos Santos
Yap (C.)	Zamora (Y.M.)	Arbison (M.N.)	Dimacuha
Yap (E.)	Zubiri	Arenas	Dimaporo (I.)

Negative:

Bag-ao	Ismula
Cendaña	San Fernando
Diokno	

Abstention:

Dagooc	Montes
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With 244 affirmative votes, five negative votes and two abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 9702.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS (Continuation)

Distributed on August 20, 2026:

- House Bill No. 9970, titled: AN ACT DECLARING THE FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS NATIONAL ENGLISH COMPETENCY WEEK TO PROMOTE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY AND COMPETENCE

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a roll call vote was made.

RESULT OF VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abalos	Alano
Acidre	Alba
Acop	Albano
Acosta	Almario (C.M.)
Adiong	Almario (D.)
Advincula	Alvarez (J.)
Agarao	Amante

Asistio	Diokno
Atayde	Dionisio
Aumentado	Domingo
Austria-Barzaga	Dy (F.)
Ayon	Dy (F.M.C.)
Bag-ao	Emano
Bancoro	Enverga
Barba	Erice
Baronda	Escudero
Bascug	Espares
Bautista (J.M.)	Espina
Bautista-Lim	Estrella
Beltran	Ferrer (A.)
Benitez (A.)	Ferrer (J.)
Benitez (J.M.)	Flores
Bernos (C.)	Fortes
Bernos (J.)	Fresnedi
Biron	Galang
Bocobo	Galeos
Bolilia	Garbin
Briones	Garcia (A.)
Bulut-Begtang	Garcia (D.)
Cagas	Garcia (J.A.)
Calderon	Garcia (K.H.)
Calixto	Gardiola
Caoagdan	Garin
Cari	Gatchalian
Castro	Gato
Catulpos	Gomez
Cayton	Gonzales (A.)
Celeste	Gonzales (A.M.)
Cendaña	Gonzales (R.)
Ceniza	Guico
Chan (J.F.N.J)	Guintu
Chan (J.)	Gullas
Chua-Tai	Gutierrez
Chungalao	Hernandez (C.A.)
Co-Pilar	Hernandez (D.)
Collantes	Hernandez (F.)
Corvera	Hernandez (R.)
Cruz (A.)	Ismula
Cruz (R.)	Javier
Cua	Kho (A.)
Dagooc	Kho (E.)
Dalog	Kho (W.)
Dayanghirang	Khonghun
	Ko

Labadlabad	Remulla	Veloso-Tuazon	Yap (E.)
Lacson	Revilla (B.)	Vergara	Yap (J.G.)
Lagbas	Revilla (R.J.)	Villa	Yatco
Lagdameo (J.M.)	Ridon	Villafuerte (M.L.)	Ynares
Lagdameo (M.Y.M)	Rivera	Villafuerte (V.R.L.)	Yu (J.K.)
Lagman	Robes	Villarica	Yulo
Lagon (S.)	Rodriguez (E.)	Yamsuan	Zamora (M.C.)
Lara	Rodriguez (M.)	Yap (A.)	Zamora (Y.M.)
Lazatin	Rodriguez (R.)	Yap (C.)	Zubiri
Legacion	Roman		
Legazpi	Romualdez (A.J.)	<i>Negative:</i>	
Libanan	Romualdo		
Loria	Romulo	None	
Loyola	Roque		
Lumayag	Sagarbarria	<i>Abstention:</i>	
Maceda	Sakaluran		
Madrona	Salceda	None	
Malapitan	Sali		
Mangudadatu	Salvacion		
Maniquiz	Salvador		
Marañon	Salvame		
Marcoleta	San Fernando		
Marcos	Santos (M.A.S.)		
Marquez	Santos (M.A.)		
Matibag	Shimura		
Matugas	Singson (R.)		
Mendoza	Singson-Meehan		
Mercado-Revilla	Solon		
Miraflores	Soriano		
Montes	Suansing (B.V.)		
Nava	Suansing (M.A.)		
Nazal	Suntay		
Nolasco	Tallado		
Oaminal (H.)	Tan (A.)		
Oaminal (S.F.)	Tan (J.)		
Olivarez	Tan (K.M.)		
Ongchuan	Tan (S.)		
Ordanes	Tanchay		
Oreta	Tanjuatco		
Ortega	Tarriela		
Ouano-Dizon	Teodoro		
Padiernos	Tereng		
Panaligan	Teves		
Pancho	Tiangco		
Panotes	Tieng		
Pascual	Tuan		
Perez	Tulfo (J.)		
Pimentel	Tulfo (R.W.)		
Plaza	Tupas		
Pleyto	Umali		
Poe	Uy (D.C.)		
Pumaren	Uy (R.)		
Quimbo	Valeriano		
Recto	Vargas-Alfonso		
Regencia	Veloso		

With 252 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 9970.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS (Continuation)

Distributed on August 27, 2026:

- House Bill No. 10545, titled: AN ACT RENEWING FOR ANOTHER FIFTY (50) YEARS THE FRANCHISE GRANTED TO PHILIPPINE AIRLINES, INC. UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1590, ENTITLED, "AN ACT GRANTING A NEW FRANCHISE TO PHILIPPINE AIRLINES, INC. TO ESTABLISH, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN AIR-TRANSPORT SERVICES IN THE PHILIPPINES AND OTHER COUNTRIES"

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a roll call vote was made.

RESULT OF VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abalos	Advincula
Acidre	Agarao
Acop	Alano
Acosta	Alba
Adiong	Albano

Almario (C.M.)	Cruz (R.)	Javier	Plaza
Almario (D.)	Cua	Kho (A.)	Pleyto
Alvarez (J.)	Dagooc	Kho (E.)	Poe
Amante	Dalog	Kho (W.)	Pumaren
Amatong	Dayanghirang	Khonghun	Quimbo
Ang	De Jesus	Ko	Recto
Angeles	De Lima	Labadlabad	Regencia
Aquino	Defensor	Lacson	Remulla
Aquino-Magsaysay	Degamo	Lagbas	Revilla (B.)
Arbison (M.N.)	Del Mar	Lagdameo (J.M.)	Revilla (R.J.)
Arenas	Delos Santos	Lagdameo (M.Y.M)	Ridon
Arrogancia	Dimacuha	Lagman	Rivera
Asistio	Dimaporo (I.)	Lagon (S.)	Robes
Atayde	Diokno	Lara	Rodriguez (E.)
Aumentado	Dionisio	Lazatin	Rodriguez (M.)
Austria-Barzaga	Domingo	Legacion	Rodriguez (R.)
Ayon	Dy (F.)	Legazpi	Roman
Bag-ao	Dy (F.M.C.)	Libanan	Romualdez (A.J.)
Baños-Nogralas	Emano	Loria	Romualdo
Bancoro	Enverga	Loyola	Roque
Barba	Erice	Lumayag	Sagarbarria
Baronda	Escudero	Maceda	Sakaluran
Bascug	Espares	Madrona	Salceda
Bautista (J.M.)	Espina	Malapitan	Sali
Bautista-Lim	Estrella	Mangudadatu	Salvacion
Beltran	Ferrer (A.)	Maniquiz	Salvador
Benitez (A.)	Ferrer (J.)	Marañon	Salvame
Benitez (J.M.)	Flores	Marcoleta	Santos (M.A.S.)
Bernos (C.)	Fortes	Marcos	Santos (M.A.)
Bernos (J.)	Fresnedi	Marquez	Shimura
Biron	Galang	Matibag	Singson (R.)
Bocobo	Galeos	Matugas	Singson-Meehan
Bolilia	Garbin	Mendoza	Solon
Briones	Garcia (A.)	Mercado-Revilla	Soriano
Bulut-Begtang	Garcia (D.)	Miraflores	Suansing (B.V.)
Cagas	Garcia (J.A.)	Montes	Suansing (M.A.)
Calderon	Garcia (K.H.)	Nava	Suntay
Calixto	Gardiola	Nazal	Tallado
Caoagdan	Garin	Nolasco	Tan (A.)
Cari	Gatchalian	Oaminal (H.)	Tan (J.)
Castro	Gato	Oaminal (S.F.)	Tan (K.M.)
Catulpos	Gomez	Olivarez	Tan (S.)
Cayton	Gonzales (A.)	Ongchuan	Tanchay
Celeste	Gonzales (A.M.)	Ordanes	Tanjuatco
Cendaña	Gonzales (R.)	Oreta	Tarriela
Ceniza	Guico	Ortega	Teodoro
Chan (J.F.N.J)	Guintu	Ouano-Dizon	Tereng
Chan (J.)	Gullas	Padiernos	Teves
Chua-Tai	Gutierrez	Panaligan	Tiangco
Chungalao	Hernandez (C.A.)	Pancho	Tieng
Co-Pilar	Hernandez (D.)	Panotes	Tuan
Collantes	Hernandez (F.)	Pascual	Tulfo (J.)
Corvera	Hernandez (R.)	Perez	Tulfo (R.W.)
Cruz (A.)	Ismula	Pimentel	Tupas

Umali	Yamsuan
Uy (D.C.)	Yap (A.)
Uy (R.)	Yap (C.)
Valeriano	Yap (E.)
Vargas-Alfonso	Yap (J.G.)
Veloso	Yatco
Veloso-Tuazon	Ynares
Vergara	Yu (J.K.)
Villa	Yulo
Villafuerte (M.L.)	Zamora (M.C.)
Villafuerte (V.R.L.)	Zamora (Y.M.)
Villarica	Zubiri

Negative:

Co	Tinio
Elago	

Abstention:

San Fernando

With 250 affirmative votes, three negative votes, and one abstention, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill No. 10545.

APPROVAL ON THIRD READING OF HOUSE BILLS (Continuation)

Distributed on August 27, 2026:

4. House Bill No. 10559, titled: AN ACT STRENGTHENING OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS BY INTEGRATING CLIMATE-ADAPTIVE MEASURES AND PENALIZING GROSS VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11058, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS LAW, AND ARTICLE 169 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED
5. House Bill No. 10750, titled: AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONDONATION AND WRITE-OFF OF UNPAID INTERESTS, PENALTIES AND SURCHARGES, AND THE RESTRUCTURING OF LOANS SECURED BY FARMERS, FISHERFOLK, AGRARIAN REFORM BENEFICIARIES AND THEIR COOPERATIVES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND

ASSOCIATIONS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM, THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-AGRICULTURAL CREDIT POLICY COUNCIL, THE PEOPLE'S CREDIT AND FINANCE CORPORATION, THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY, AND THE QUEDAN AND RURAL CREDIT GUARANTEE CORPORATION

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a roll call vote was made.

RESULT OF VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abalos	Bautista (J.M.)
Acidre	Bautista-Lim
Acop	Beltran
Acosta	Benitez (A.)
Adiong	Benitez (J.M.)
Advincula	Bernos (C.)
Agarao	Bernos (J.)
Alano	Biron
Alba	Bocobo
Albano	Bolilia
Almario (C.M.)	Briones
Almario (D.)	Bulut-Begtang
Alvarez (J.)	Cagas
Amante	Calderon
Amatong	Calixto
Ang	Caoagdan
Angeles	Cari
Aquino	Castro
Aquino-Magsaysay	Catulpos
Arbison (M.)	Cayton
Arbison (M.N.)	Celeste
Arenas	Cendaña
Arrogancia	Ceniza
Asistio	Chan (J.F.N.J)
Atayde	Chan (J.)
Aumentado	Chua-Tai
Austria-Barzaga	Chungalao
Ayon	Co
Bag-ao	Co-Pilar
Baños-Nogralas	Collantes
Bancoro	Corvera
Barba	Cruz (A.)
Baronda	Cruz (R.)
Bascug	Cua

Dagooc	Javier	Pimentel	Tan (A.)
Dalog	Kho (A.)	Plaza	Tan (J.)
Dayanghirang	Kho (E.)	Pleyto	Tan (K.M.)
De Jesus	Kho (W.)	Poe	Tan (S.)
De Lima	Khonghun	Pumaren	Tanchay
Defensor	Ko	Quimbo	Tanjuatco
Degamo	Labadlabad	Recto	Tarriela
Del Mar	Lacson	Regencia	Teodoro
Delos Santos	Lagbas	Remulla	Tereng
Dimacuha	Lagdameo (J.M.)	Revilla (B.)	Teves
Dimaporo (I.)	Lagdameo (M.Y.M)	Revilla (R.J.)	Tiangco
Diokno	Lagman	Ridon	Tieng
Dionisio	Lagon (S.)	Rivera	Tinio
Domingo	Lara	Robes	Tuan
Dy (F.)	Lazatin	Rodriguez (E.)	Tulfo (J.)
Dy (F.M.C.)	Legacion	Rodriguez (M.)	Tulfo (R.W.)
Elago	Legazpi	Rodriguez (R.)	Tupas
Emano	Libanan	Roman	Umalì
Enverga	Loria	Romualdez (A.J.)	Uy (D.C.)
Erice	Loyola	Romualdo	Uy (R.)
Escudero	Lumayag	Romulo	Valeriano
Espares	Maceda	Roque	Vargas-Alfonso
Espina	Madrona	Sagarbarria	Veloso
Estrella	Malapitan	Sakaluran	Veloso-Tuazon
Ferrer (A.)	Mangudadatu	Salceda	Vergara
Ferrer (J.)	Maniquiz	Sali	Villa
Flores	Marañon	Salvacion	Villafuerte (M.L.)
Fortes	Marcoleta	Salvador	Villafuerte (V.R.L.)
Fresnedi	Marcos	Salvame	Villarica
Galang	Marquez	San Fernando	Yamsuan
Galeos	Matibag	Santos (M.A.S.)	Yap (A.)
Garbin	Matugas	Santos (M.A.)	Yap (C.)
Garcia (A.)	Mendoza	Shimura	Yap (E.)
Garcia (D.)	Mercado-Revilla	Singson (R.)	Yap (J.G.)
Garcia (J.A.)	Miraflores	Singson-Meehan	Yatco
Garcia (K.H.)	Montes	Solon	Ynares
Gardiola	Nava	Soriano	Yu (J.K.)
Garin	Nazal	Suansing (B.V.)	Yulo
Gatchalian	Nolasco	Suansing (M.A.)	Zamora (M.C.)
Gato	Oaminal (H.)	Suntay	Zamora (Y.M.)
Gomez	Oaminal (S.F.)	Tallado	Zubiri
Gonzales (A.)	Olivarez		
Gonzales (A.M.)	Ongchuan	<i>Negative:</i>	
Gonzales (R.)	Ordanes		
Guico	Oreta	None	
Guintu	Ortega		
Gullas	Ouano-Dizon	<i>Abstention:</i>	
Gutierrez	Padiernos		
Hernandez (C.A.)	Panaligan	None	
Hernandez (D.)	Pancho		
Hernandez (F.)	Panotes		
Hernandez (R.)	Pascual		
Ismula	Perez		

With 256 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading House Bill Nos. 10559 and 10750.

**APPROVAL ON THIRD READING
OF HOUSE BILLS**

(Continuation)

Distributed on August 27, 2026:

6. House Bill No. 10632, titled: AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 7 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VIRAC, PROVINCE OF CATANDUANES
7. House Bill No. 10633, titled: AN ACT DECLARING THE LAST FRIDAY OF MAY OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE PROVINCE OF CATANDUANES IN CELEBRATION OF THE ABACA FESTIVAL
8. House Bill No. 10769, titled: AN ACT DECLARING DECEMBER 4 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VINTAR, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND THE ANNUAL SIWAWER FESTIVAL
9. House Bill No. 10773, titled: AN ACT DECLARING NOVEMBER 12 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALACOGON, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN DEL SUR IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY AND PANGADU FESTIVAL
10. House Bill No. 10776, titled: AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 24 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ANGAT, PROVINCE OF BULACAN IN COMMEMORATION OF ITS FOUNDING ANNIVERSARY TO BE KNOWN AS “ARAW NG ANGAT”
11. House Bill No. 10777, titled: AN ACT DECLARING MAY 21 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL NON-WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALINGASAG, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL

12. House Bill No. 10812, titled: AN ACT DECLARING OCTOBER 19 OF EVERY YEAR A SPECIAL WORKING HOLIDAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF POLANGUI, PROVINCE OF ALBAY, AS PEDRO SABIDO DAY

The Chair then directed the Secretary General to call the Roll for nominal voting. Thereafter, pursuant to the Rules of the House, a roll call vote was made.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Balindong relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Emano.

RESULT OF VOTING

The result of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative:

Abalos	Bascug
Acidre	Bautista (J.M.)
Acop	Bautista-Lim
Acosta	Beltran
Adiong	Benitez (A.)
Advincula	Benitez (J.M.)
Agarao	Bernos (C.)
Alano	Bernos (J.)
Alba	Biron
Albano	Bocobo
Almario (C.M.)	Bolilia
Almario (D.)	Briones
Alvarez (J.)	Bulut-Begtang
Amante	Cagas
Amatong	Calderon
Ang	Calixto
Angeles	Caoagdan
Aquino	Cari
Aquino-Magsaysay	Castro
Arbison (M.)	Catulpos
Arbison (M.N.)	Cayton
Arenas	Celeste
Arrogancia	Cendaña
Asistio	Ceniza
Atayde	Chan (J.F.N.J)
Aumentado	Chan (J.)
Austria-Barzaga	Chua-Tai
Ayon	Chungalao
Bag-ao	Co
Balindong	Co-Pilar
Baños-Nogralles	Collantes
Bancoro	Corvera
Barba	Cruz (A.)
Baronda	Cruz (R.)

Cua	Javier	Pleyto	Tan (K.M.)
Dagooc	Kho (A.)	Poe	Tan (S.)
Dalog	Kho (E.)	Pumaren	Tanchay
Dayanghirang	Kho (W.)	Recto	Tanjuatco
De Jesus	Khonghun	Regencia	Tarriela
De Lima	Ko	Remulla	Teodoro
Defensor	Labadlabad	Revilla (B.)	Tereng
Degamo	Lacson	Revilla (R.J.)	Teves
Del Mar	Lagbas	Ridon	Tiangco
Delos Santos	Lagdameo (J.M.)	Rivera	Tieng
Dimacuha	Lagdameo (M.Y.M)	Robes	Tinio
Dimaporo (I.)	Lagman	Rodriguez (E.)	Tuan
Diokno	Lagon (S.)	Rodriguez (M.)	Tulfo (J.)
Dionisio	Lara	Rodriguez (R.)	Tulfo (R.W.)
Domingo	Lazatin	Roman	Tupas
Dy (F.)	Legacion	Romualdez (A.J.)	Umali
Dy (F.M.C.)	Legazpi	Romualdo	Uy (D.C.)
Elago	Libanan	Romulo	Uy (R.)
Enverga	Loria	Roque	Valeriano
Erice	Loyola	Sagarbarria	Vargas-Alfonso
Escudero	Lumayag	Sakaluran	Veloso
Espares	Maceda	Salceda	Veloso-Tuazon
Espina	Madrona	Sali	Vergara
Estrella	Malapitan	Salvacion	Villa
Ferrer (A.)	Mangudadatu	Salvador	Villafuerte (M.L.)
Ferrer (J.)	Maniquiz	Salvame	Villafuerte (V.R.L.)
Flores	Marañon	San Fernando	Villarica
Fortes	Marcos	Santos (M.A.S.)	Yamsuan
Fresnedi	Marquez	Santos (M.A.)	Yap (A.)
Galang	Matibag	Shimura	Yap (C.)
Galeos	Matugas	Singson (R.)	Yap (E.)
Garbin	Mendoza	Singson-Meehan	Yap (J.G.)
Garcia (A.)	Mercado-Revilla	Solon	Yatco
Garcia (D.)	Miraflores	Soriano	Ynares
Garcia (J.A.)	Montes	Suansing (B.V.)	Yu (J.K.)
Garcia (K.H.)	Nava	Suansing (M.A.)	Yulo
Gardiola	Nazal	Suntay	Zamora (M.C.)
Garin	Nolasco	Tallado	Zamora (Y.M.)
Gatchalian	Oaminal (H.)	Tan (A.)	Zubiri
Gato	Oaminal (S.F.)	Tan (J.)	
Gomez	Olivarez		
Gonzales (A.)	Ongchuan		
Gonzales (A.M.)	Ordanes	<i>Negative:</i>	
Gonzales (R.)	Oreta		
Guico	Ortega	None	
Guintu	Ouano-Dizon		
Gullas	Panaligan	<i>Abstention:</i>	
Gutierrez	Pancho		
Hernandez (C.A.)	Panotes		
Hernandez (D.)	Pascual	None	
Hernandez (F.)	Perez		
Hernandez (R.)	Pimentel		
Ismula	Plaza		

With 253 affirmative votes, zero negative votes, and zero abstentions, the Body approved on Third Reading the aforementioned House Bills.

TRANSMITTAL TO THE SENATE OF HOUSE BILLS

On motion of Representative Roman, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to immediately transmit to the Senate copies of House Bills that had just been approved on Third Reading.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

With leave of the House, on successive motions of Representative Recto, there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter, recognized Rep. Salvador A. Pleyto to avail of the Privilege Hour.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE PLEYTO

At the outset, Representative Pleyto mentioned what he described as a remarkable historical continuity in the country's agrarian reform program as he recalled that President Ferdinand E. Marcos Sr. signed Presidential Decree No. 27 in 1972 to emancipate tenant farmers and grant them ownership of the land they tilled, with then Department of Agrarian Reform (DAR) Secretary Conrado F. Estrella Sr. as a witness. He further noted that under President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr., DAR is now led by Secretary Conrado Estrella III, and that the current administration is carrying forward the historic commitment to secure land ownership for Filipino farmers.

Representative Pleyto subsequently recognized the contributions and hardships of Filipino farmers and cited President Marcos' 2026 State of the Nation Address, which reported that more than 400,000 land titles covering over 500,000 hectares had been distributed to agrarian reform beneficiaries during the first four years of his administration. He emphasized that each land title represents farmers, families, and decades of waiting and perseverance. He also stated that agrarian reform should not end with title distribution and must be accompanied by support services that improve productivity and rural development, such as irrigation, farm-to-market roads, post-harvest facilities, affordable credit, agricultural technology, and protection from climate-related disasters.

Lastly, he called for the continuation of agrarian reform efforts to ensure that farmers attain secure land ownership and that the promise of land reform continues to be fulfilled.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE PLEYTO

On motion of Representative Recto, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Pleyto to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

There being no other Members who wished to avail themselves of the Privilege Hour, on motion of Representative Recto, there being no objection, the Chair terminated the Privilege Hour.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, upon the request of Representative Recto, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Sarah Jane I. Elago.

Subsequently, upon the request of Representative Recto, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of His Excellency Dr. Chem Widhya, Secretary General of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly, who was the guest of Speaker Dy (F.).

APPROVAL OF JOURNAL NO. 5

Considering that copies of *Journal No. 5* dated August 17, and 24 to 26, 2026 were already distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading thereof and subsequently approved the same.

REFERRAL OF HOUSE RESOLUTIONS ON INQUIRIES IN AID OF LEGISLATION

Subsequently, in accordance with the Rules Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation of the House of Representatives, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the following House Resolutions to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

1. House Resolution No. 1366 – to the Committee on Trade and Industry;
2. House Resolution No. 1369 – to the Committee on Public Order and Safety;
3. House Resolution No. 1370 – to the Committee on Metro Manila Development;

4. House Resolution Nos. 1374 and 1384 – to the Committee on Public Works and Highways;
5. House Resolution No. 1375 – to the Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs;
6. House Resolution No. 1376 – to the Committee on Labor and Employment; and
7. House Resolution Nos. 1379, 1381, and 1387 – to the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Public Order and Safety.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECHES ON INQUIRIES IN AID OF LEGISLATION

Further, in accordance with the Rules Governing Inquiries in Aid of Legislation of the House of Representatives, on motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the following privilege speeches delivered on the dates specified herein to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

Delivered on August 24, 2026:

1. Privilege speeches of Reps. Katrina Reiko Chua-Tai, Philip Conrad “Dok Bong” M. Acop, Dadah Kiram Ismula, Ustadz Yusop T. Alano, Renee Louise M. Co – to the Committees on Basic Education and Culture, and Public Order and Safety;
2. Privilege speech of Rep. Brian Raymund S. Yamsuan – to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture;
3. Privilege speech of Rep. Sergio C. Dagooc – to the Committee on Energy;
4. Privilege speech of Rep. Jose “Joboy” S. Aquino II – to the Committee on Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples;
5. Privilege speech of Rep. Marie Bernadette G. Escudero – to the Committee on Youth and Sports Development;
6. Privilege speech of Rep. Percival “Perci” Cendaña – to the Committee on Labor and Employment;
7. Privilege speech of Rep. Elijah Rumbaoa San Fernando – to the Special Committee on Persons with Disabilities;

Delivered on August 25, 2026:

8. Privilege speech of Rep. Edgar R. Erice – to the Committee on Metro Manila Development;
9. Privilege speech of Deputy Speaker Raymond Democrito C. Mendoza – to the Committee on Labor and Employment; and
10. Privilege speech of Rep. Ma. Cristina Talavera Lopez – to the Committee on Women and Gender Equality.

CHANGE OF REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILL NO. 10231

On a subsequent motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body changed the referral of House Bill No. 10231 from the Committee on Government Enterprises and Privatization to the Committee on Agriculture and Food.

ADDITIONAL COAUTHORS

On another motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, there being no objection, the Body approved to include as coauthors of House Bill Nos. 10818, 10896, and 10971 and House Resolution No. 1410 the names of the Members contained in the list to be submitted by the Committee on Rules.

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

On motion of Representative Veloso-Tuazon, the Chair suspended the session at 5:07 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 6:19 p.m.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Upon resumption of session, on motion of Representative Benitez (J.M.), there being no objection, the Body proceeded with the Additional Reference of Business.

Upon direction of the Chair, the Secretary General read the titles of the following Bills on First Reading as filed, which were referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 11035, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 33 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “DEPARTMENT OF THE
INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT
ACT OF 1990,” TO EXPAND THE
COVERAGE OF BACCALAUREATE
DEGREES ELIGIBLE FOR LATERAL
ENTRY IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
POLICE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Kho (Elisa) and Kho (Antonio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 11036, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING LAW ENFORCEMENT
OFFICERS TO USE BODY-WORN
CAMERAS DURING LAW ENFORCEMENT
OPERATIONS, PROVIDING PENALTIES
FOR VIOLATIONS, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Kho (Elisa) and Kho (Antonio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 11037, titled:

AN ACT CONFERRING UPON THE CADETS
OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL
POLICE ACADEMY THE STATUS OF
GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES, GRANTING
SALARIES, BENEFITS, AND PRIVILEGES,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Kho (Elisa) and Kho (Antonio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 11038, titled:

AN ACT CONVERTING THE MARITIME
INDUSTRY AUTHORITY SATELLITE
OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
SOGOD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN
LEYTE, INTO AN EXTENSION OFFICE
AND TRANSFERRING ITS LOCATION
TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF LILOAN,
PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11039, titled:

AN ACT TO FURTHER DEVELOP CAPABILITY
AND ESTABLISH EXPEDITIOUS
TRANSFORMATION OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF NATIONAL DEFENSE AND ITS

BUREAUS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND
SECURITY

House Bill No. 11040, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY TO DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT
TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION
AND TRAINING AND LIVELIHOOD
PROGRAMS SPECIFICALLY FOR
REHABILITATED DRUG DEPENDENTS
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL
EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11041, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND
EXPANDING THE DEPARTMENT
OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
GOVERNMENT INTERNSHIP
PROGRAM, PROVIDING INTERNSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES IN NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND OTHER
GOVERNMENT INSTRUMENTALITIES,
GRANTING A STIPEND TIED TO THE
PREVAILING REGIONAL MINIMUM
WAGE, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 11042, titled:

AN ACT PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF
INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS AND
PENALIZING THE ACTS OF ARBITRARY
INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

House Bill No. 11043, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE TECHNICAL-
VOCATIONAL - LIVELIHOOD
CURRICULUM IN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL,
INSTITUTIONALIZING INDUSTRY-
RESPONSIVE TRAINING AND
CERTIFICATION, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11044, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE YOUTH SECTOR IN ALL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT COUNCILS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10121, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT ACT OF 2010

By Representative Yap (Christopherson)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER RESILIENCE

House Bill No. 11045, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE MAGNA CARTA FOR BARANGAYS

By Representative Violago
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 11046, titled:

AN ACT UPGRADING THE CLASSIFICATION OF IMUS DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN IMUS, CAVITE, FROM CLASS “D” TO CLASS “C” DISTRICT OFFICE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Advincula
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11047, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING AND PROTECTING LAND TENURE SECURITY FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL SITES AND MANDATING THE EXPEDITED TITLING OF PROPERTIES USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Advincula
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 11048, titled:

AN ACT RECTIFYING THE TECHNICAL DESCRIPTIONS OF BARANGAYS KALAW, CABARITAN, AND QUIBEL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DUMALNEG, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10955, ENTITLED, “AN ACT DIVIDING BARANGAY DUMALNEG IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE INTO THREE (3) DISTINCT AND INDEPENDENT BARANGAYS TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY KALAW, CABARITAN AND QUIBEL”

By Representative Bulut-Begtang
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 11049, titled:

THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PUBLIC COUNSELORS AND THEIR PRACTICE

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 11050, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL METEOROLOGY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 11051, titled:

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH FAIR AND INCLUSIVE CREDIT REPORTING MECHANISMS TO ENSURE EQUITABLE CREDIT ACCESS TO THE MOST VULNERABLE SECTORS OF SOCIETY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BANKS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES

House Bill No. 11052, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AT THE LEVEL OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11053, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING THE VALUE-ADDED TAX EXEMPTION FOR PRESCRIBED DRUGS AND MEDICINES FOR MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 109 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

By Representative Delos Santos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 11054, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A BASIC EDUCATION SCHOOLS SAFETY FRAMEWORK TO ENSURE THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF STUDENTS AND SCHOOL WORKERS ALIKE, PROVIDING FOR FUNDING, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Mangudadatu
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 11055, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING COMMUNAL FORESTS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BAGANGA, BOSTON, CARAGA, CATEEL, MANAY, AND TARRAGONA IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF DAVAO ORIENTAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Dayanghirang
TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 11056, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DAVAO ORIENTAL STATE UNIVERSITY–COLLEGE OF LAW, PROVIDING FOR ITS ORGANIZATION, ADMINISTRATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Dayanghirang
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11057, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE DAVAO ORIENTAL STATE UNIVERSITY–COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, PROVIDING FOR ITS ORGANIZATION, ADMINISTRATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Dayanghirang
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11058, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL SAFETY FRAMEWORK, ENSURING THE SAFETY AND WELL-BEING OF LEARNERS AND SCHOOL PERSONNEL, AND PROMOTING A SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE SCHOOL COMMUNITY

By Representative Hernandez (Charisse Anne)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 11059, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10742, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “SANGGUNANG KABATAAN REFORM ACT OF 2015,” AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11768, PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SANGGUNANG KABATAAN MEMBERS TO FILL PERMANENT VACANCIES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Hernandez (Charisse Anne)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 11060, titled:

AN ACT CREATING A CONGRESSIONAL COMMISSION ON AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES, AND FOOD SECURITY TO REVIEW, ASSESS, AND EVALUATE THE STATE OF PHILIPPINE AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES, RECOMMEND TARGETED POLICY AND INSTITUTIONAL REFORMS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Hernandez (Charisse Anne)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 11061, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FREE FREIGHT SERVICES IN THE TRANSPORTATION OF RELIEF GOODS TO CALAMITY-STRICKEN AREAS

By Representative Hernandez (Charisse Anne)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER RESILIENCE

House Bill No. 11062, titled:

AN ACT UPGRADING THE CLASSIFICATION OF MASBATE DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN MASBATE CITY, PROVINCE OF MASBATE FROM CLASS “D” TO CLASS “B” DISTRICT OFFICE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Kho (Elisa) and Kho (Antonio)
TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 11063, titled:

AN ACT UPGRADING THE SALARY GRADE OF BOOKKEEPERS IN SCHOOL IMPLEMENTING UNITS

By Representative Romulo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

House Bill No. 11064, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HOUSEHOLD CLIMATE AND DISASTER RESILIENCE INFORMATION AND RESPONSE SYSTEM, PROVIDING FOR A UNIFIED HOUSEHOLD-LEVEL CLIMATE RISK MAP, REAL-TIME TWO-WAY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION, AND INTEGRATED DISASTER RESPONSE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Nisay
TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER RESILIENCE

House Bill No. 11065, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROTECTION
OF THE REMITTANCES OF OVERSEAS
FILIPINO WORKERS

By Representative Nisay
TO THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSEAS WORKERS
AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 11066, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE
AUTOMATIC PENSION ESCALATION
MECHANISM FOR RETIREMENT,
DISABILITY, DEATH, AND SURVIVOR
PENSIONERS OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY
SYSTEM (SSS), PROVIDING FUNDS
THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES
AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 11067, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE
SCHOOL SAFETY AND WEAPON
PREVENTION PROGRAM, MANDATING
THE COLLABORATIVE IMPLEMENTATION
OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES BY THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, LOCAL
GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND BARANGAYS,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 11068, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL
DISABILITY SUPPORT ALLOWANCE
PROGRAM AS A SOCIAL PROTECTION
AND SUPPORT MEASURE TO
PROMOTE THE INDEPENDENT
LIVING, EMPOWERMENT, EQUAL
PARTICIPATION, AND FULL INCLUSION
OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN
SOCIETY, PROVIDING FOR A REGULAR
DISABILITY SUPPORT ALLOWANCE,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PERSONS WITH
DISABILITIES

House Bill No. 11069, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING PHILHEALTH
COVERAGE TO INCLUDE BENEFIT
PACKAGE FOR ALL MENTAL HEALTH
DISORDERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11070, titled:

AN ACT PROMOTING THE INSTALLATION
OF BEHIND-THE-METER ELECTRICITY
GENERATION AND ENERGY STORAGE
SYSTEMS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9136, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE “ELECTRIC POWER
INDUSTRY REFORM ACT OF 2001”

By Representative Olivarez
TO THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY

House Bill No. 11071, titled:

AN ACT REINFORCING, PROTECTING,
AND MANAGING THE DEPARTMENT
OF EDUCATION’S OWNERSHIP OF
LOTS OCCUPIED BY PUBLIC SCHOOLS,
PROVIDING FOR THE SUMMARY
TITLING OF ALL REAL PROPERTIES
USED AS PUBLIC SCHOOL SITES, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Quimbo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 11072, titled:

AN ACT EXPANDING THE PURPOSES
AND APPLICATION OF THE SPECIAL
EDUCATION FUND (SEF), AMENDING
FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 100
AND 272 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Quimbo
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND
THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND
CULTURE

House Bill No. 11073, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE “LARO’T
SAYASAPARKE” PROGRAM, PROMOTING
WEEKEND COMMUNITY SPORTS AND
RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES IN PUBLIC
PARKS, STRENGTHENING SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT AMONG YOUTH AND
COMMUNITIES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS
THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin),
Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez
(Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS
DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11074, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A NATIONAL EARLY-CAREER MENTORSHIP PROGRAM, ESTABLISHING THE EARLY CAREER MENTORSHIP ACCESSIBILITY FRAMEWORK, PROMOTING ONLINE AND INSTITUTION-BASED MENTORSHIP PLATFORMS, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 11075, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING FREE COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND LOCAL UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION BASED ON INABILITY TO PAY TESTING FEES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 11076, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING CREDIT ACCESS FOR SMALL FARMERS AND FISHERFOLK, MANDATING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO ALLOCATE A PORTION OF THEIR LOAN PORTFOLIOS FOR AGRI-FISHERY BORROWERS, ESTABLISHING AN AGRI CREDIT GUARANTEE FUND, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AND THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 11077, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH CORPS, ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL VOLUNTEER PROGRAM FOR TRAINED YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH ADVOCATES, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11078, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL BARANGAY HEALTH EQUITY INDEX, MANDATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HEALTH EQUITY SCORECARD FOR EVERY BARANGAY TO IDENTIFY DISPARITIES AND GUIDE TARGETED INTERVENTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11079, titled:

AN ACT PROMOTING THE PRODUCTIVE UTILIZATION OF IDLE LANDS THROUGH TAX REFORMS, INCENTIVES FOR AGRICULTURAL USE, AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH FARMERS AND COOPERATIVES, AMENDING PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 11080, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING CHILD-CENTERED, FAMILY-BASED, AND REINTEGRATIVE VISITATION AND CARE STANDARDS IN ALL BAHAY PAG-ASA FACILITIES, ESTABLISHING A HOLISTIC SUPPORT SYSTEM, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 11081, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A NATIONAL ADULT IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM PROVIDING FREE VACCINES AGAINST INFLUENZA, PNEUMOCOCCAL DISEASE, AND HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS (HPV), ADOPTING A LIFE-COURSE IMMUNIZATION STRATEGY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11082, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL ORGAN TRANSPLANT REGISTRY, PROVIDING FINANCIAL AND MEDICAL SUPPORT FOR INDIGENT ORGAN TRANSPLANT RECIPIENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11083, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A VARSITY SPORTS AND PARA-SPORTS PROGRAM IN ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS, STRENGTHENING INCLUSIVITY IN BASIC EDUCATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE AND THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11084, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING FOOD SECURITY COLD STORAGE FACILITIES IN EVERY PROVINCE OF THE COUNTRY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY

House Bill No. 11085, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF THE OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11086, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT WORKERS, STRENGTHENING THEIR WELFARE, LABOR PROTECTION, AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 11087, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MAGNA CARTA OF MUNICIPAL SMALL-SCALE AND SUBSISTENCE FISHERFOLK, STRENGTHENING THEIR RIGHTS, PROTECTION, AND ACCESS TO SUPPORT SERVICES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES

House Bill No. 11088, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FREE PUBLIC ACCESS TO INTERNATIONAL AND MAJOR LOCAL SPORTING EVENTS INVOLVING FILIPINO ATHLETES AND PARA-ATHLETES THROUGH STATE-RUN BROADCAST AND DIGITAL PLATFORMS, PROMOTING MEDIA PARTNERSHIPS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11089, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT SYSTEM FOR FILIPINO ATHLETES AND PARA-ATHLETES, PROMOTING SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE SPORTS ENVIRONMENTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11090, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL DIGITAL SPORTS ARCHIVE FOR THE SYSTEMATIC COLLECTION, PRESERVATION, AND PUBLIC DISSEMINATION OF SPORTS RECORDS AND DATA INVOLVING FILIPINO ATHLETES AND PARA-ATHLETES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Romualdez (Ferdinand Martin), Romualdez (Yedda Marie), Romualdez (Andrew Julian) and Acidre
TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 11091, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE
NURSING LAW TOWARDS A QUALITY
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR,
REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9173, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE 'PHILIPPINE NURSING
ACT OF 2002'

By Representative Roque
TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 11092, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 15, 19, 30
AND 31 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12001,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "REAL
PROPERTY VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT
REFORM ACT," AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Dy (Faustino), Hernandez
(Ferdinand) and Marcos
TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT
REORGANIZATION

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Benitez (J.M.),
there being no objection, the Chair declared the session
adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Monday,
September 7, 2026.

It was 6:32 p.m. of Wednesday, September 2, 2026.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.


ATTY. CHELOY E. VELICARIA-GARAFIL, MNSA
Secretary General

Approved on September 7, 2026.

Congress of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Philippines

MEMBERS' ATTENDANCE

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ABALOS	BULUT-BEGTANG	* ENVERGA
** ABANTE	CAGAS	* ERICE
ACIDRE	CALDERON	ESCUDERO
ACOP	CALIXTO	ESPARES
ACOSTA	CAOAGDAN	ESPINA
** ADIONG	CARI	ESTRELLA
* ADVINCULA	** CASTRO	FERRER (A.)
AGARAO	** CATULPOS	* FERRER (J.)
** AGYAO	** CAYTON	** FLORES
ALANO	CELESTE	FORTES
ALBA	CENDAÑA	*** FRASCO
ALBANO	* CENIZA	FRESNEDI
ALMARIO (C.M.)	* CHAN (J.F.N.J.)	** FUENTEBELLA
ALMARIO (D.)	CHAN (J.)	GALANG
*** ALMONTE	** CHUA	GALEOS
ALVAREZ (J.)	** CHUA-TAI	GARBIN
**** ALVAREZ (M.)	CHUNGALAO	** GARCIA (A.)
AMANTE	CO	GARCIA (D.)
AMATONG	CO-PILAR	GARCIA (J.A.)
** ANG	** COJUANGCO (J.E.M.)	GARCIA (K.H.)
** ANGARA	* COJUANGCO (M.)	GARCIA (M.A.)
** ANGELES	** COLLANTES	GARDIOLA
AQUINO	CORVERA	GARIN
* AQUINO-MAGSAYSAY	** CRUZ (A.)	GATCHALIAN
** ARBISON (M.)	CRUZ (R.)	GATO
ARBISON (M.N.)	** CRUZADO	*** GLEPA
ARENAS	** CUA	* GO
ARROGANCIA	DAGOOC	GOMEZ
ASISTIO	DALOG	GONZALES (A.)
* ATAYDE	DAYANGHIRANG	** GONZALES (A.M.)
** AUMENTADO	**** DAZA	GONZALES (C.S.)
* AUSTRIA-BARZAGA	DE JESUS	** GONZALES (R.)
** AYON	** DE LIMA	** GORRICETA
** BAG-AO	DE VENECIA	GUICO
BALINDONG	** DEFENSOR	GUINTU
* BAÑAS-NOGRALES	DEGAMO	** GULLAS
BANCORO	DEL MAR	** GUTIERREZ
BARBA	** DELOS SANTOS	* HERNANDEZ (C.A.)
** BARBERS	DIMACUHA	HERNANDEZ (D.)
BARONDA	**** DIMAGUILA	HERNANDEZ (F.)
BASCUG	DIMAPORO (I.)	HERNANDEZ (R.)
*** BAUTISTA (C.)	*** DIMAPORO (S.A.)	HOFER-HASIM
* BAUTISTA (J.M.)	** DIOKNO	**** HORIBATA
* BAUTISTA-LIM	DIONISIO	ISMULA
** BELTRAN	** DOMINGO	*** IWAY
BENITEZ (A.)	** DOMOGAN	JAVIER
BENITEZ (J.M.)	** DUTERTE (H.J.)	KHO (A.)
* BERNOS (C.)	** DUTERTE (O.V.)	KHO (E.)
BERNOS (J.)	DUTERTE (P.)	KHO (W.)
** BIRON	DY (F.)	** KHONGHUN
BOCOBO	DY (F.M.C.)	KO
BOLILIA	**** DY (I.P.)	LABADLABAD
** BONDOC	* ELAGO	LACSON
* BRIONES	EMANO	LAGBAS

LAGDAMEO (J.M.)	PANCHO	TALLADO
LAGDAMEO (M.Y.M)	** PANOTES	TAN (A.)
* LAGMAN	PASCUAL	TAN (J.)
**** LAGON (D.)	PEREZ	* TAN (K.M.)
** LAGON (S.)	PIMENTEL	TAN (R.M.)
LARA	PLAZA	* TAN (S.)
** LAZATIN	* PLEYTO	**** TAN (S.J.)
*** LEDESMA	* POE	TANCHAY
* LEGACION	*** PRIMICIAS-AGABAS	** TANJUATCO
LEGARDA	PUMAREN	* TARRIELA
LEGAZPI	*** PUNO	TEODORO
*** LEVISTE	QUIMBO	TERENG
* LIBANAN	* RAMA	TEVES
** LOPEZ	** RECTO	TIANGCO
LORIA	REGENCIA	** TIENG
LOYOLA	REMULLA	TINIO
** LUISTRO	* REVILLA (B.)	*** TOLENTINO
LUMAYAG	* REVILLA (R.J.)	TUAN
** MACAPAGAL-ARROYO	** RIDON	TULFO (J.)
MACASAET	** RIVERA	* TULFO (R.W.)
MACEDA	** ROBES	TUPAS
MADRONA	RODRIGUEZ (E.)	** TUTOR
MALAPITAN	RODRIGUEZ (M.)	TY
* MANGUDADATU	RODRIGUEZ (R.)	UMALI
** MANQUIZ	ROMAN	** UNGAB
MARAÑON	ROMUALDEZ (A.J.)	UY (D.C.)
** MARCOLETA	**** ROMUALDEZ (F.M.)	UY (R.)
MARCOS	** ROMUALDEZ (Y.M.)	VALERIANO
MARQUEZ	** ROMUALDO	VARGAS
MASTURA	ROMULO	VARGAS-ALFONSO
MATIBAG	** ROQUE	VELOSO
** MATUGAS	SAGARBARRIA	VELOSO-TUAZON
MENDOZA	SAKALURAN	VERGARA
*** MERCADO	SALCEDA	VILLA
MERCADO-REVILLA	** SALI	** VILLAFUERTE (M.L.)
MIRAFLORES	SALVACION	VILLAFUERTE (V.R.L.)
MOMO	* SALVADOR	** VILLANUEVA
MONTES	SALVAME	VILLARICA
NAVA	SAN FERNANDO	**** VIOLAGO
NAZAL	* SANTOS (M.A.S.)	YAMSUAN
** NISAY	SANTOS (M.A.)	YAP (A.)
* NOLASCO	** SHIMURA	YAP (C.)
OAMINAL (H.)	** SINGSON (R.)	YAP (E.)
OAMINAL (S.F.)	* SINGSON (R.V.)	YAP (J.G.)
OLIVAREZ	SINGSON-MEEHAN	YATCO
** ONGCHUAN	OLON	YNARES
ORDANES	SORIANO	**** YU (J.V.)
ORETA	** SUAN	* YU (J.K.)
ORTEGA	** SUANSING (B.V.)	YULO
OUANO-DIZON	SUANSING (M.A.)	ZAMORA (M.C.)
PADIERNOS	* SUAREZ	** ZAMORA (Y.M.)
PANALIGAN	SUNTAY	ZUBIRI

* Appeared after the Roll Call

** Section 71, Rule XI of the Rules of the House
(Attended committee meetings as authorized by the Committee on Rules/Attended meetings of the CA, HRET, or bicameral conference committees/
On official mission as approved by the Speaker)

*** Officially notified the House, through the Secretariat, of their absence

**** Absent without notice

(Subject to correction/s that may appear in the Annual Journal)

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