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CALL TO ORDER

At 3:00 p.m., Deputy Speaker Ferjenel G. Biron, MD called the session to order.

NATIONAL ANTHEM AND INVOCATION

The Members sang the National Anthem and thereafter, Rep. Bella Vanessa B. Suansing delivered the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Thereupon, on motion of Rep. Marie Bernadette G. Escudero, there being no objection, the Chair directed the Secretary General to call the Roll and the following Members were present:

Abalos
Acidre
Acop
Acosta
Adiong
Alano
Alba
Almario (C.M.)
Almario (D.)
Almonte
Alvarez (J.)
Alvarez (M.)
Amante
Amatong
Angeles
Aquino
Aquino-Magsaysay
Arbison (M.)
Arenas
Arrogancia
Atayde
Aumentado
Bag-ao
Balindong
Bancoro
Barba
Barbers
Baronda
Barzaga
Bascug
Bautista (C.)
Bautista (J.M.)
Bautista-Lim
Beltran
Benitez (A.)
Benitez (J.M.)
Bernos (C.)
Bernos (J.)
Biron
Bocobo
Bolilia
Briones
Bulut-Begtang
Cagas
Calderon
Calixto
Caoagdan
Cari
Castro
Cayton
Celeste
Cendaña
Ceniza
Chan
Chua
Chua-Tai
Chungalao
Co (E.)
Co (R.L.)
Co-Pilar
Cojuangco (J.E.M.)
Cojuangco (M.)
Collantes
Corvera
Cruz (A.P.)
Cruz (R.)
Cruzado
Cua
Dagooc
Dalog
Dayanghirang
Daza
De Jesus
De Lima
Defensor
Degamo
Del Mar
Dimacuha
Diokno
Domogan
Duterte (H.J.)
Dy (F.M.C.)
Emano
Erice
Escudero
Espares
Espina
Ferrer (A.)
Flores
Fortes
Fresnedi
Fuentebella
Galang
Garbin
Garcia (A.)
Garcia (D.)
Garcia (J.A.)
Garin
Gatchalian
Gato
Glepa
Go
Gonzales (A.)
Gonzales (A.M.)
Gonzales (R.)
Gorriceta
Guico
Guintu
Gutierrez
Hernandez (C.A.)
Hernandez (D.)
Hernandez (F.)
Hernandez (R.)
Ismula
Javier
Kho (W.)
Labadlabad
Lacson
Lagbas
Lagdameo (J.M.)
Lagdameo (M.Y.M)
Lagman
Lagon (D.)
Lagon (S.)
Lara
Lazatin
Ledesma
Legacion
Legarda
Legazpi
Leviste
Libanan
Lopez
Loria
Loyola
Lumayag
Macapagal-Arroyo
Macasaet
Maceda
Malapitan
Mangudadatu
Maniquiz
Marcoleta
Marcos

Marquez
Mastura
Matugas
Mercado
Mercado-Revilla
Miraflores
Momo
Montes
Nava
Nazal
Nisay
Oaminal (H.)
Oaminal (S.F.)
Oducado
Ongchuan
Oreta
Ouano-Dizon
Panaligan
Pancho
Pascual
Perez
Pimentel
Plaza
Pleyto
Poe
Primicias-Agabas
Puno
Quimbo
Recto
Regencia
Remulla
Revilla (B.)
Revilla (R.J.)
Rivera
Rodriguez (E.)
Rodriguez (M.)
Rodriguez (R.)
Roman
Romualdez (A.J.)
Romualdez (F.M.)
Romualdo
Romulo
Roque
Sagarbarria
Sakaluran
Salceda
Sali
Salvacion
Salvador
San Fernando
Santos (M.A.)
Singson (R.)
Singson (R.V.)
Singson-Meehan
Solon
Suan
Suansing (B.V.)
Suansing (M.A.)
Tan (J.)
Tan (K.M.)
Tanchay
Tanjuatco
Tarriela
Teodoro
Tereng
Teves
Tiangco
Tieng
Tinio
Tuan
Tulfo (J.)
Tulfo (R.W.)
Tutor
Uy (D.C.)
Valeriano
Vargas
Vargas-Alfonso
Veloso
Veloso-Tuazon
Vergara
Villa
Villafuerte (M.L.)
Villanueva
Villarica
Yamsuan
Yap (C.)
Yap (Edvic)
Yap (Eric)
Ynares
Yu (J.K.)
Yulo
Zubiri

With 236 Members present during the Roll Call, the Chair declared the presence of a quorum. (See Appendix)

DEFERMENT OF APPROVAL OF JOURNAL

On motion of Representative Escudero, there being no objection, the Body deferred the approval of the Journal of the previous session.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

Whereupon, on motion of Representative Escudero, 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, and Communications, which the Chair referred to the appropriate committees indicated hereunder:

BILLS ON FIRST READING

House Bill No. 4059, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FORENSIC DATABASE IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 4060, titled:

AN ACT VESTING REGULATORY POWERS TO THE PHILIPPINE INSTITUTE OF TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE (PITAHC), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8423, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE ACT OF 1997"

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4061, titled:

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN THE CHARTER OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE ACADEMY AS PROVIDED UNDER PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1780 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 4062, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL CITIZENS SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM IN ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE TERTIARY EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9163, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "NATIONAL SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM ACT", AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Gomez

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

House Bill No. 4063, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING MECHANISMS FOR THE STATE PROTECTION OF CITIZENS BELOW 21 YEARS OLD, WHOSE PARENT OR BOTH PARENTS ARE NOT LIVING WITH THEM, FROM SUBSTANCE ABUSE, ABUSE OF PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE, DRUG DEPENDENCE, DRUG ADDICTION, ALCOHOLISM, AND OTHER SIMILAR FORMS OF DRUG OR SUBSTANCE MISUSE, INCLUDING PROTECTION FROM THE FORMING OF GAMBLING, GAMING, AND/OR SMOKING HABITS, AND OTHER HARMFUL HABITUDES AND ADDICTIONS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4064, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE IN ORMOC CITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE *"SPECIAL ECONOMIC ZONE OF ORMOC,"* AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS AND THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Bill No. 4065, titled:

AN ACT DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF PALOMPON, MATAG-OB, AND VILLABA IN THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE PALOMPON PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Gomez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4066, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL LAND USE POLICY, PROVIDING THE IMPLEMENTING MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Gomez

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

House Bill No. 4067, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR FREE PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATIONS TO QUALIFIED INDIGENTS

By Representative Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4068, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING AND ENHANCING THE SKILLS CERTIFICATE EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM OF THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION AND THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

By Representative Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4069, titled:

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

By Representative Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4070, titled:

AN ACT ENSURING CHILD SUPPORT AND PENALIZING PARENTAL REFUSAL OR NEGLECT THEREOF

By Representative Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WELFARE OF CHILDREN

House Bill No. 4071, titled:

AN ACT DEFINING ELECTRONIC VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN, PROVIDING PROTECTIVE MEASURES, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9262, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ANTI-VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND THEIR CHILDREN ACT OF 2004"

By Representative Maceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 4072, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAKE SEBU, PROVINCE OF SOUTH COTABATO, TO BE KNOWN AS THE "LAKE SEBU TESDA TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER" AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Tuan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4073, titled:

AN ACT MANDATING THE 14TH MONTH PAY FOR ALL EMPLOYEES IN THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR REGARDLESS OF STATUS OF EMPLOYMENT

By Representatives Yap (Eric) and Yap (Edvic)

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

House Bill No. 4074, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR VOLUNTARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8291, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE GOVERNMENT SERVICE INSURANCE SYSTEM ACT OF 1997"

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES AND PRIVATIZATION

House Bill No. 4075, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE USE OF BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4076, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE MAGNA CARTA FOR PUBLIC DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT WORKERS

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER RESILIENCE

House Bill No. 4077, titled:

AN ACT URGING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND EXPORT PROMOTION OF THE DRAGON FRUIT, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4078, titled:

AN ACT URGING THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND EXPORT PROMOTION OF THE MORINGA (MORINGA OLEIFERA) LOCALLY KNOWN AS "MALUNGGAY", AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4079, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE CORN RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4080, titled:

AN ACT PROFESSIONALIZING DRIVERS OF AMBULANCE, PATIENT TRANSPORT VEHICLES, AND SIMILAR EMERGENCY TRANSPORT SERVICES, PROVIDING FOR THEIR TRAINING, CERTIFICATION, REGISTRATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4081, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING THE NATIONAL REGISTRY OF WORKERS, ESTABLISHING THE EMPLOYMENT MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR THE PURPOSE

By Representative Duterte (Omar Vincent)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 4082, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING REGULAR CAMPUS OF THE CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ARGAO, PROVINCE OF CEBU, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY-ARGAO CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Galeos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION

House Bill No. 4083, titled:

AN ACT PROHIBITING THE USE OF PLASTICS, OTHER NON-BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS, AND HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES IN ADVERTISING GOODS, SERVICES, OR EVENTS, INCLUDING ELECTION PROPAGANDA, AND PROVIDING PENALTIES THEREFOR

By Representative Defensor

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4084, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTING A NATIONAL LAND USE POLICY, PROVIDING THE IMPLEMENTING MECHANISMS, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL LAND USE COMMISSION, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Defensor

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON LAND USE

House Bill No. 4085, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COMMISSION, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 491, ENTITLED "CREATING A NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representatives Tulfo (Ralph Wendel) and Tulfo (Jocelyn)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4086, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FORENSIC DEOXYRIBONUCLEIC ACID (DNA) DATABASE IN THE PHILIPPINES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Tulfo (Ralph Wendel) and Tulfo (Jocelyn)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ORDER AND SAFETY

House Bill No. 4087, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE BARANGAY AS THE BASIC LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT BY PROVIDING BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND BARANGAY DAY CARE AN INCREASED HONORARIA, SOCIAL SECURITY, RETIREMENT BENEFITS, AND OTHER ENTITLEMENTS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7610, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Chua-Tai

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4088, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING HOUSING LOAN ASSISTANCE OR FINANCIAL SUBSIDY TO SOLO PARENTS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11861, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "EXPANDED SOLO PARENTS WELFARE ACT"

By Representative Santos (Mark Anthony)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4089, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PASSPORT SERVICE SATELLITE OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DFA) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BINALONAN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

House Bill No. 4090, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING THE RIGHT TO FRANCHISEES TO DEVELOP THE RURAL AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE NETWORK IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR COMMERCIAL AND OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4091, titled:

AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE INVOLVING MOTOR VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE ARTICLE 365 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF LAWS

House Bill No. 4092, titled:

AN ACT IMPOSING A NATIONWIDE BAN ON THE USE OF SINGLE-USE PLASTICS TO ELIMINATE PLASTIC POLLUTION IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4093, titled:

AN ACT INCREASING THE YEARLY ALLOCATION FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES (STA) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4094, titled:

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAMS TO RETAIN HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHERS IN RURAL COMMUNITIES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4095, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION DEFINING ITS POWERS, FUNCTIONS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

House Bill No. 4096, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF GREEN SPACES IN BARANGAYS, MUNICIPALITIES, CITIES, AND PROVINCES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4097, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PALDIT, MUNICIPALITY OF SISON, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN TO BE KNOWN AS THE PALDIT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4098, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR THE FILIPINO GIFTED CHILDREN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Bill No. 4099, titled:

AN ACT PENALIZING THE USE OF SIDEWALKS FOR COMMERCIAL AND/OR PERSONAL PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

House Bill No. 4100, titled:

AN ACT TO REQUIRE EACH AGENCY OF THE GOVERNMENT TO ESTABLISH AND IMPLEMENT A POLICY UNDER WHICH EMPLOYEES SHALL BE AUTHORIZED TO TELEWORK, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4101, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING RULES AND STANDARDS FOR THE UNDERGROUNDING OF DISTRIBUTION AND TRANSMISSION LINES BY COMPANIES, SERVICE PROVIDERS, INDUSTRIES, AND OTHER SIMILAR ENTITIES ENGAGED IN THE PROVISION OF CABLE TELEVISION, INTERNET, POWER SUPPLY, AND TELEPHONE SERVICES TO THE PUBLIC

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Bill No. 4102, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A GENERAL MINIMUM WAGE RATE FOR PRIVATE SECTOR WORKERS AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 442, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LABOR CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 4103, titled:

AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 9 OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 1586 BY INCREASING THE PENALTIES THEREOF AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON ECOLOGY

House Bill No. 4104, titled:

AN ACT FINANCING THE "EDUCATION FOR ALL INITIATIVES" FROM THE ANNUAL VALUE-ADDED TAX COLLECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 4105, titled:

AN ACT DECLARING THE ACACIA TREES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BINALONAN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, AS LOCAL HERITAGE TREES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Guico

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

House Bill No. 4106, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PRACTICE OF MIDWIFERY AS A PROFESSION IN

THE PHILIPPINES, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 2644, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE PHILIPPINE MIDWIFERY LAW" AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7392, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE MIDWIFERY ACT OF 1992

By Representative Roque

TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

House Bill No. 4107, titled:

AN ACT STRENGTHENING PROTECTIONS AGAINST ONLINE FINANCIAL FRAUD AND AI-GENERATED DECEPTIVE CONTENT, ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL CYBER FRAUD FUSION CENTER, IMPOSING DUTIES ON DIGITAL PLATFORMS, TELCOS, AND FINANCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS, PROVIDING SWIFT CONSUMER REDRESS, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NOS. 10175, 11934, 11765, 10173, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Tulfo (Jocelyn) and Tulfo (Ralph Wendel)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

House Bill No. 4108, titled:

AN ACT REFORMING THE MANDATE OF THE MOVIE AND TELEVISION REVIEW AND CLASSIFICATION BOARD TO INCLUDE STREAMING SERVICES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1986 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "CREATING THE MOVIE AND TELEVISIONS REVIEW AND CLASSIFICATION BOARD" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representatives Tan (Keith Micah) and Montes

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC INFORMATION

House Bill No. 4109, titled:

AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE EAST AVENUE MEDICAL CENTER IN BARANGAY DILIMAN, QUEZON CITY FROM ONE THOUSAND (1,000) TO ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (1,500) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representatives Tan (Keith Micah) and Montes

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4110, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE STOCKPILING OF STRATEGIC AND CRITICAL DRUGS AND MEDICINES, VACCINES, DEVICES, AND MATERIALS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCIES, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE HEALTH PROCUREMENT AND STOCKPILING BUREAU UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

By Representative Tan (Keith Micah)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4111, titled:

AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A NATIONAL CACAO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, CREATING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE CACAO COUNCIL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Tan (Keith Micah)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4112, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING UNIVERSAL SOCIAL PENSION TO SENIOR CITIZENS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7432, AS AMENDED, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO MAXIMIZE THE CONTRIBUTION OF SENIOR CITIZENS TO NATION BUILDING, GRANT BENEFITS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

By Representative Tan (Keith Micah)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON SENIOR CITIZENS

House Bill No. 4113, titled:

AN ACT PROHIBITING USURIOUS LENDING TO FARMERS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Dy (Faustino Michael Carlos)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Bill No. 4114, titled:

AN ACT GRANTING PHILIPPINE CITIZENSHIP TO MATTHEW JAMES RAMOS

By Representative Dy (Faustino Michael Carlos)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Bill No. 4115, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL POLICY IN PREVENTING ADOLESCENT PREGNANCIES AND INSTITUTIONALIZING SOCIAL PROTECTION FOR ADOLESCENT PARENTS

By Representatives Co (Renee Louise) and Tinio

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Bill No. 4116, titled:

AN ACT CREATING THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE DEPARTMENT (ERD), APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Bocobo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON DISASTER RESILIENCE AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

House Bill No. 4117, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ADDITIONAL RIGHTS AND BENEFITS TO KASAMBAHAYS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10361, ENTITLED *"AN ACT INSTITUTING POLICIES FOR THE PROTECTION AND WELFARE OF DOMESTIC WORKERS"*, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE *"DOMESTIC WORKERS ACT"* OR *"BATAS KASAMBAHAY"*, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Bocobo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Bill No. 4118, titled:

AN ACT CREATING A DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES, PROVIDING FOR ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Bocobo

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

House Bill No. 4119, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR A WORLD OF WORK FREE FROM ALL FORMS OF GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND HARASSMENT

By Representative Padiernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WOMEN AND GENDER EQUALITY

House Bill No. 4120, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING ACCESS TO ANTI-RETROVIRAL THERAPY (ART) TO CHILDREN AGES ABOVE 15 YEARS OLD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11166, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS PHILIPPINE HIV AND AIDS POLICY ACT, AS AMENDED

By Representative Padiernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

House Bill No. 4121, titled:

AN ACT ENHANCING THE 13TH MONTH PAY AND OTHER BENEFITS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 32(B)(7) OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1997, AS AMENDED

By Representative Padiernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 4122, titled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE TAX AND DUTY TREATMENT OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11697, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "ELECTRIC VEHICLE INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT ACT"

By Representative Padiernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

House Bill No. 4123, titled:

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AND CREATING THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE WATER REGULATORY COMMISSION, DEFINING THEIR MANDATE, POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

By Representative Padiernos

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS AND THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION

RESOLUTIONS

House Resolution No. 174, titled:

RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING FILIPINA TRIATHLETE KIRA ELLIS FOR HER OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AND GOLD MEDAL VICTORY IN THE JUNIOR WOMEN'S DIVISION OF THE 2025 EUROPE TRIATHLON JUNIOR CUP HELD IN RIGA, LATVIA

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 175, titled:

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE DON BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL PARAÑAQUE – ROBOTICS CLUB, FOR THEIR HISTORIC INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL VICTORIES IN ROBOTICS AND DIGITAL INNOVATION, INCLUDING THEIR 1ST PLACE TRIUMPH AT THE

GLOBAL ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ROBOTICS (GAR) ASIA OPEN HELD IN SINGAPORE ON JANUARY 19, 2025

By Representative Olivarez

TO THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION AND CULTURE

House Resolution No. 176, titled:

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ALEX EALA FOR MAKING HISTORY AS THE FIRST FILIPINO TO WIN A US OPEN MAIN DRAW MATCH

By Representative Gonzales (Alyssa Michaela)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 177, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING ALEXANDRA EALA FOR HER HISTORIC VICTORY AT THE 2025 US OPEN

By Representatives Yap (Eric) and Yap (Edvic)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 178, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE DETERIORATING STATE OF LAGUNA LAKE TO FORMULATE A COMPREHENSIVE POLICY FRAMEWORK AND ACTION PLAN FOR ITS SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT AND FLOOD MITIGATION

By Representative Hernandez (Ramil)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 179, titled:

RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING FILIPINA TENNIS PLAYER ALEXANDRA EALA FOR HER HISTORIC GRAND SLAM SINGLES VICTORY AT THE 2025 US OPEN

By Representatives Mercado-Revilla, Revilla (Bryan) and Revilla (Ramon Jolo)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 180, titled:

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE PROFOUND CONDOLENCES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PASSING OF MR. ERMIN F. GARCIA JR., DISTINGUISHED JOURNALIST, PUBLISHER, AND EDITOR

By Representative de Venecia

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 181, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION TO PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF CARBON MARKETS PURSUANT TO THE SECURITIES REGULATION CODE, AS AMENDED

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND INDUSTRY

House Resolution No. 182, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO REACTIVATE THE *SAMAKA* (SAMAHAN NG MASAGANANG KAKANIN) SYSTEM AS A GRASSROOTS FOOD SECURITY STRATEGY AND TO REDISTRIBUTE THE *SAMAKA GUIDE TO HOMESITE FARMING* TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, FARMER ORGANIZATIONS, AND COMMUNITIES

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Resolution No. 183, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO REACTIVATE AND STRENGTHEN THE RURAL IMPROVEMENT CLUBS (RICs) TO PROMOTE LOCAL FOOD SECURITY AND TO FORMULATE A NATIONAL POLICY FRAMEWORK PROVIDING INCENTIVES, SUPPORT PROGRAMS, AND SUSTAINED INSTITUTIONAL BACKING FOR THEIR OPERATIONS

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Resolution No. 184, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS (DPWH), THE TOLL REGULATORY BOARD (TRB), AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOTr), AS APPROPRIATE, TO PRIORITIZE THE COMPLETION AND EARLY OPERATION OF THE NAGA–LEGAZPI SEGMENT OF THE QUEZON–BICOL EXPRESSWAY (QUBEX) OR TOLL ROAD 5 (TR5), GIVEN ITS HEAVILY CLUSTERED DEMAND, TO BOOST MOBILITY, ECONOMIC GROWTH, AND DISASTER RESILIENCE IN THE BICOL REGION

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

House Resolution No. 185, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE NATIONAL WAGES AND PRODUCTIVITY COMMISSION AND THE REGIONAL TRIPARTITE WAGES AND PRODUCTIVITY BOARDS TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE MINIMUM NUTRITIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF FILIPINO WORKERS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN DETERMINING AND SETTING THE MINIMUM WAGE

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT

House Resolution No. 186, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY, THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY, THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY, AND OTHER RELEVANT AGENCIES TO ESTABLISH AN INTER-AGENCY FOOD SECURITY RISK WARNING SYSTEM TO DETECT, CLASSIFY, MONITOR, AND RESPOND TO RISKS TO THE COUNTRY'S FOOD SECURITY

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Resolution No. 187, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IDENTIFICATION OF FOOD-INSECURE REGIONS OR REGIONS UNDER THREAT OF FOOD INSECURITY, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF CRAFTING REMEDIAL LEGISLATION TO ADDRESS SUCH VULNERABILITIES

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 188, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO PROMOTE THE LOCAL PRODUCTION OF NUTRITIOUS FEED ADDITIVES TO SUPPORT FAMILY-LEVEL LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY RAISING FOR FOOD SECURITY

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Resolution No. 189, titled:

A RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO REVITALIZE THE 4-H CLUBS OF THE PHILIPPINES AS PARTNERS IN FOOD SECURITY AND TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN AGRICULTURE PROVIDING SUPPORT, INCENTIVES, AND INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

By Representative Salceda

TO THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

House Resolution No. 190, titled:

A RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE TRANSFER OF THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE PROVINCIAL AND SUB-PROVINCIAL JAILS TO THE BUREAU OF JAIL MANAGEMENT AND PENOLOGY AND URGING THE PASSAGE OF BILLS IN RELATION THERETO

By Representative Yamsuan

TO THE COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE

House Resolution No. 191, titled:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4 ENTITLED, "CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL BUDGET PROCESS BY ADOPTING AND ENFORCING TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES TO ENSURE PUBLIC ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND ALLOW PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN THE DELIBERATIONS OF THE 2026 GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT"

By Representative Tiangco

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 192, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (DFA), TO INTRODUCE A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY (UNGA) CALLING ON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) TO RESPECT THE 2016 ARBITRAL RULING AND TO CEASE ITS REPEATED HOSTILE AND AGGRESSIVE ACTS AGAINST THE PHILIPPINES IN THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA

By Representatives De Lima, Amante, Amatong, Bag-ao, Cendaña, Diokno, Erice, Fresnedi, Ismula, Lagman, Luistro, Maniquiz, Oducado, Oreta, Roman, Umali and Veloso-Tuazon

TO THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WEST PHILIPPINE SEA

House Resolution No. 193, titled:

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING WOMAN GRANDMASTER JANELLE MAE FRAYNA FOR HER HISTORIC TRIUMPH AT THE 31ST ABU DHABI INTERNATIONAL CHESS FESTIVAL – LADIES BLITZ

By Representatives Yap (Eric) and Yap (Edvic)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 194, titled:

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING THE ILOCOS NORTE-TEAM PILIPINAS UNDER-12 GIRLS SOFTBALL TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE AS FIRST RUNNER-UP IN THE 2025 WEST ZONE GIRLS SOFTBALL WORLD SERIES

By Representative Barba

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 195, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT TO JOIN THE GLOBAL CALL TO END THE GENOCIDE IN GAZA BY TERMINATING THE PROCUREMENT OF ISRAELI DEFENSE EQUIPMENT AND ENSURING THAT ARMED FORCES OF THE PHILIPPINES MODERNIZATION EFFORTS ARE ALIGNED WITH INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAWS AND PRINCIPLES

By Representatives Ismula, Diokno, Cendaña and Bag-ao

TO THE COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL DEFENSE AND SECURITY

House Resolution No. 196, titled:

A RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING ALEXANDRA "ALEX" EALA FOR HER HISTORIC AND RECORD-BREAKING WIN IN THE 2025 US OPEN WOMEN'S SINGLES TOURNAMENT

By Representative Santos (Mark Anthony)

TO THE COMMITTEE ON YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT

House Resolution No. 197, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE APPROPRIATE HOUSE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE PRACTICES AND POLICIES OF THE BUREAU OF CORRECTIONS (BUCOR) IN THE NEW BILIBID PRISON (NBP), THE CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION FOR WOMEN (CIW), AND OTHER PRISONS UNDER THE BUCOR'S SUPERVISION, WITH A VIEW TO PROPOSE MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF PERSONS DEPRIVED OF LIBERTY (PDLs), INCLUDING POLITICAL PRISONERS, ARE PROTECTED AND UPHELD

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 198, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION AND/OR OVERSIGHT FUNCTIONS, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL LAWS, ISSUANCES, POLICIES, PROGRAMS, INTERNATIONAL COMMITMENTS, AND CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATES AFFECTING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (PWDs) IN THE PHILIPPINES

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 199, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON AQUACULTURE AND FISHERIES RESOURCES, THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD, AND THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOOD SECURITY TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE IMPACT OF ALLOWING COMMERCIAL FISHING WITHIN THE 15 KM.-MUNICIPAL WATERS ON SMALL-SCALE FISHERS, FOOD SECURITY, AND MARINE RESOURCES

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 200, titled:

RESOLUTION URGING THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND FOOD TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, INTO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11524, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "COCONUT FARMERS AND INDUSTRY TRUST FUND ACT"

By Representative De Lima

TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

House Resolution No. 201, titled:

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE INVESTIGATION IN AID OF LEGISLATION

INTO THE "FUNDERS" OR SPONSORS OF ALLEGED ANOMALOUS AND FICTITIOUS CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS INCLUDED IN THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT OF 2025, INCLUDING THE ACTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT IN THE EVALUATION, RELEASE, AND WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS FOR THE SAID PROJECTS

By Representative Puno
TO THE COMMITTEE ON RULES

COMMUNICATIONS

Various communications submitted to the House of Representatives by officials of the following local government units, relative to their posting and reporting requirements of the Fund Utilization and Status of Program/Project Implementation of the Local Government Support Fund, as attested by their respective local chief executives:

1. Barangay Poblacion (Elizalde), Municipality of Capiz, Province of Capiz, report for the quarter ending January to March 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Luis B. Garra;
2. Barangay San Josef, Municipality of Penaranda, Province of Nueva Ecija, reports for the first quarter of CY 2025 and as of April 10, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Noel E. Mercado;
3. Barangay Esparar, Municipality of Barbaza, Province of Antique, report for the first quarter ending of FY 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Benedicto M. Baña;
4. Barangay 1st District, Municipality of Jalajala, Province of Rizal, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jovito M. Añago;
5. Barangay Badiangan, Municipality of Pandan, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Nestor T. Constantino;
6. Barangay Jinalinan, Municipality of Pandan, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Willy R. Dioso;
7. Barangay Bongsod, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Emilio B. Ramirez;
8. Barangay Bulalacao, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Antonio F. Endencio;
9. Barangay Esperanza III, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jett V. Besara;
10. Barangay Luyang, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Ernesto S. Siga-an;
11. Barangay Odiong, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Mario Angelo M. Escares;
12. Barangay Olaga, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Iryle O. Namo;
13. Barangay Pasong, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Magnon S. Vegafria;
14. Barangay Tigbalua I, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Mark Raymond M. Combong;
15. Barangay Villafont, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Reynaldo E. Belleza;
16. Barangay Esperanza I, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Sharon Salve F. Hernandez;
17. Barangay Ilabas, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Gemma G. Tabiling;
18. Barangay Lacaron, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Anthony D. Hantoc;
19. Barangay Pis-anan, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Gerry M. Jabile;
20. Barangay Valentin Grasparil (Bad-as), Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Alexis L. Blanco;
21. Barangay Biga-a, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jimson M. Bendita;

22. Barangay Calog, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Greg M. Alagos;
23. Barangay Catmon, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Juline V. Cuayson;
24. Barangay Cubay Napultan, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Darel S. Suetado;
25. Barangay District II, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jesus M. Morales Jr.;
26. Barangay Iglanot, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Noe O. Raymaro;
27. Barangay Imparayan, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Rexso S. Raymundo;
28. Barangay Millamena, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jonathan O. Lacsama;
29. Barangay Nazareth, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Luis M. Vicente;
30. Barangay Rombang, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jojet A. Melo;
31. Barangay San Juan, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Jie-Ar A. Santosildes;
32. Barangay Tulatula, Municipality of Sibalom, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Victorio S. Pagapulan;
33. Barangay San Joaquin, Municipality of Pandan, Province of Antique, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Danilo C. Calicaran;
34. Barangay 19, City of Batangas, Province of Batangas, report as of April 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Roderick G. Magsino;
35. Barangay Borol 2nd, Municipality of Balagtas, Province of Bulacan, report for the third quarter of 2024, attested by Barangay Chairperson Michael C. Payuran;
36. Barangay Lisub, Municipality of Barbaza, Province of Antique, report for the first quarter of FY 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Anthony M. Lizada;
37. Barangay San Isidro, Municipality of Taytay, Province of Rizal, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Barangay Chairperson Vivian Reyes Yupangco;
38. City of Dumaguete, Province of Negros Oriental, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Felipe Antonio B. Remollo;
39. City of Bislig, Province of Surigao del Sur, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by City Administrator Eng. Romulo C. Garay. by the authority of Mayor Florencio C. Garay;
40. City of Antipolo, Province of Rizal, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Casimiro A. Ynares III;
41. City of Iloilo, Province of Iloilo, report for the first quarter ending of 2025, attested by Mayor Jerry P. Treñas;
42. City of Guihulngan, Province of Negros Oriental, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Filomeno L. Reyes;
43. City of Bais, Province of Negros Oriental, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Luigi Marcel T. Goñi;
44. City of Davao, Province of Davao del Sur, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Assistant City Administrator Atty. Tristan Dwight P. Domingo by the authority of Mayor Sebastian Z. Duterte;
45. City of San Carlos, Province of Negros Occidental, report as of March 3, 2025, attested by Mayor Renato Y. Gustilo;
46. Science City of Muñoz, Province of Nueva Ecija, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Baby Armi L. Alvarez;
47. City Government of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Benjie M. Miranda;
48. Municipality of Dauin, Province of Negros Oriental, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Galicano A. Truita;
49. Municipality of Tayasan, Province of Negros Oriental, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Susano Antonio D. Ruperto III;

50. Municipality of Jimalalud, Province of Negros Oriental, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Hazel C. Tuanda;
51. Municipality of Zamboanguita, Province of Negros Oriental, reports as of December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Jonah Pat L. Aviles;
52. Municipality of Mabinay, Province of Negros Oriental, reports for the quarters ending December 31, 2024 and March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Ernie T. Uy;
53. Municipality of Vallehermos, Province of Negros Oriental, report for the quarter ending of 2024, attested by Mayor Marianne S. Gustilo;
54. Municipality of Marilao, Province of Bulacan, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Henry R. Lutao;
55. Municipality of Siruma, Province of Camarines Sur, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Carina R. Polinga;
56. Municipality of Bangued, Province of Abra, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Mila A. Valera;
57. Municipality of Mabini, Province of Batangas, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Nilo M. Villanueva;
58. Municipality of Taysan, Province of Batangas, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Edilberto T. Abaday;
59. Municipality of Peñarrubia, Province of Abra, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Jane M. Cecilia;
60. Municipality of Isabela, Province of Negros Occidental, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Irene C. Montilla;
61. Municipality of Rosario, Province of Batangas, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Leovigildo K. Morpe;
62. Municipality of Calinog, Province of Iloilo, reports for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Francisco L. Calvo;
63. Municipality of Divilacan, Province of Isabela, attested by Mayor Venturito C. Bulan;
64. Municipality of San Manuel, Province of Isabela, report as of April 30, 2025, attested by Mayor Faustino U. Dy IV;
65. Municipality of Gubat, Province of Sorsogon, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Ronnel U. Lim;
66. Municipality of San Clemente, Province of Tarlac, report as of first quarter of 2025, attested by Mayor Elma L. Macadamia;
67. Municipality of San Miguel, Province of Bohol, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Ian Gil G. Mendez;
68. Municipality of Gerona, Province of Tarlac, report for the quarter ending April 7, 2025, attested by Mayor Eloy C. Eclar;
69. Municipality of Santa Lucia, Province of Ilocos Sur, attested by Mayor Joseph Simon B. Valdez;
70. Municipality of Hungduan, Province of Ifugao, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Casan P. Dumulag;
71. Municipality of Minalin, Province of Pampanga, report for the quarter ending April 4, 2025, attested by Mayor Noel Philip S. Naguit;
72. Municipality of Bulan, Province of Sorsogon, report as of March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Romeo A. Gordola;
73. Municipality of Sta. Catalina, Province of Negros Oriental, report as of March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Peve Obaniana-Ligan;
74. Municipality of San Jose, Province of Negros Oriental, report for the first quarter of 2025, attested by Mayor Mel Nick S. Logronio;
75. Municipality of Hermosa, Province of Bataan, report for the quarter ending March 2025, attested by Mayor Antonio Joseph R. Inton;
76. Municipality of Marcelino, Province of Zambales, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Elmer R. Soria;
77. Municipality of Cabangan, Province of Zambales, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Ronaldo F. Apostol; and
78. Municipality of Abucay, Province of Bataan, report for the quarter ending March 31, 2025, attested by Mayor Ruben C. Tagle.

TO THE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, upon the request of Rep. Arnan C. Panaligan, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Brian Raymund S. Yamsuan; Rep. Kathryn Joyce F. Gorriceta, MD; Rep. James "Jojo" Ang Jr.; Rep. Rosalie Ang Salvame; and Rep. Jan "Atty. JP" Padiernos.

PRIVILEGE HOUR

The day being a Monday, on successive motions of Rep. Ricardo S. Cruz Jr., there being no objection, the Chair declared a Privilege Hour and thereafter, recognized Rep. Jude A. Acidre for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ACIDRE

Representative Acidre relayed the present status of the country's higher educational system and how its growth and college education, in particular, have contributed not only to personal success but also acted as a bridge to a better life and, consequently, to national progress. Hence, he underscored that education reform has become not just a legislative agenda but a moral responsibility. While the country has made a laudable stride by enacting Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10931 or the "Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act," which opened the doors of the country's state universities and colleges (SUCs) to marginalized Filipino youths, he said that the problem of high attrition rates due to academic preparation and financial difficulty remains a challenge that undermines the government's collective effort to make education truly inclusive.

As he mentioned the works done by the Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM 2) during the 19th Congress and now, in the 20th Congress, Representative Acidre emphasized that policies should not simply open the doors of SUCs but should also ensure support for the Filipino youths who have entered tertiary education to be able to graduate, get employed, and have a brighter future.

Representative Acidre cited statistics of college attrition rates among Filipino youths all over the country which, according to him, were alarming, particularly the Philippine Institute for Development Studies report that has identified poverty and the need to work, lack of engagement, and financial difficulties as the top three reasons why students drop out of college. He then stated that while free tuition programs under R.A. No. 10931 and the Tertiary Education Subsidy (TES) have reduced financial obstacles and improved equity in access to college education, especially for the poorest families, students are not kept engaged, not supported, and are unable to finish their studies.

Then noting that a gap in enrollment shares remains between the richest and poorest groups despite the law that should have leveled the playing field, Representative Acidre pointed out that expanding access is only the first step. He further related that the share of TES, a support mechanism under R.A. No. 10931, has likewise shown troubling signs, such as the share of grantees from the poorest households drastically dropping to 31 percent in 2022, and the lower subsidy of ₱10,000.00 per semester which, he said, could cover only few degree programs that cost more than the subsidy.

As Representative Acidre welcomed the reforms introduced by EDCOM 2, including the proposal to amend R.A. No. 10931 through improved targeting and prioritization of poor students in both public and private higher education institutions, he urged his colleagues to support the said amendment which would explicitly state that TES eligibility must be automatic, without the need for additional documentation and burdensome paperwork. He said that this would cover senior high school graduates from 4Ps families and households below the poverty threshold, provided they are accepted into a Commission on Higher Education (CHED)-recognized institution. He emphasized that such early guarantees are vital in encouraging poor families to support their children's pursuit of college education. This, as he echoed the President's aspiration to ensure that every Filipino family has a college or Technical Education and Skills Development Authority graduate.

As chairperson of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and co-chairperson of EDCOM 2, Representative Acidre advocated the enactment of bills, based on the EDCOM 2 findings, that would (1) amend R.A. No. 10931; (2) champion student welfare and support; and (3) operationalize the constitutionally enshrined complementarity between public and private educational institutions. He also called on his colleagues to work closely with CHED in building a more inclusive and responsive higher educational system that offers multiple learning pathways for the youth, supports holistic student development, and ensures not just enrollment but completion of studies. He then urged his fellow legislators to act swiftly and decisively to make higher education a right for all Filipinos, leaving no learner behind.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE ACIDRE

Thereupon, on motion of Representative Cruz (R.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Acidre to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

At this point, upon the request of Rep. Bai Dimple I. Mastura, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Felimon M. Espares.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Agatha Paula Aguilar Cruz, the Chair recognized Rep. John Tracy F. Cagas for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CAGAS

Representative Cagas talked about the alleged prevalent and pernicious practice of misusing the funds of the Province of Davao del Sur and Digos City intended for job order employees, administrative support, and other operational needs, and how the Office of the Provincial or City Prosecutor, which should serve as a guardian of justice and truth, has indeed become a tool of oppression against political opponents and media dissenters. He cited, in particular, the case of former Board Member Lanier Cadungog and media practitioner Mike Nacua, who are facing criminal charges filed by a private complainant, incumbent Davao del Sur Vice Governor Marc Douglas Cagas.

Expressing his sadness at the glaring illustration of anomalous political pressures on prosecutors, especially in Digos City, Representative Cagas stressed that this selective application of justice erodes public trust in the legal system and undermines democratic principles. He emphasized that due process becomes meaningless when prosecutors bend to political pressure and abandon impartiality. Despite the said concerns, he asserted that the law itself is not corrupt but only those who wield it unjustly.

Representative Cagas then called on Congress to take action by investigating the extent of compromised prosecutorial independence in the Province of Davao del Sur and Digos City and implementing safeguards to prevent abuse; and urged prosecutors to remember that their true allegiance is not to power or politics, but to truth, fairness, and the Filipino people.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CAGAS

There being no Member who wished to interpellate Representative Cagas, on motion of Representative Cruz (A.P.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Cagas to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Leonel "Jhong" D. Ceniza, the Chair recognized Rep. Christopher Sheen P. Gonzales for his privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES (C.S.)

Representative Gonzales raised the issue of mining operations on Homonhon Island in Guian, Eastern Samar which, in his opinion, carries grave environmental, social, and economic impacts. He also discussed the need for responsible resource management, protection of the rights and welfare of local communities, and preservation of the island's historical and ecological integrity. He emphasized that Homonhon Island is not merely a geographic location but a vital part of the nation's heritage, being the first Philippine Island where Ferdinand Magellan landed in 1521, and is endowed with abundant natural resources, including rich deposits of nickel and chromite, and fertile lands, coastal waters, and forests which, he said, have long sustained communities that depend on farming, fishing, and small-scale industries.

He lamented that decades of mining have devastated the island's landscape, citing reports of deforestation, soil erosion, and silting of rivers and coastlines where the once lush mountains are now barren, freshwater sources are polluted and depleted, and endangered species, like the Philippine cockatoo, now face extinction. He stressed that the degradation has not only harmed the environment but also disrupted the livelihoods of residents and threatened public health, especially among children and the elderly. He also pointed out that social tensions have emerged, with communities divided over promises of development versus the reality of displacement, loss of ancestral lands, and economic hardship. Even with the continuous extraction of valuable minerals, he stated that the people of Homonhon Island remain impoverished.

Then stating that mining operations in the country are governed by the "Philippine Mining Act of 1995," which provides environmental protection, social responsibility, and community development, Representative Gonzales contended that the mining operations on Homonhon Island violated the said law as there were reports of mining activities outside the designated areas, failure to implement community programs, continued operations despite suspension orders, and serious violations of the mineral production sharing agreements (MPSAs). He also mentioned that the law restricts the authority of mayors and local

government units to stop mining, with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources tasked with issuing certificates of compliance and certificates of MPSAs, whereas the Mines and Geosciences Bureau is mandated to monitor compliance, enforce environmental and mining laws, and recommend the suspension or cancellation of mining operations when violations occur.

Representative Gonzales then urged Congress to fulfill its oversight role, investigate the situation, suspend the grant of new MPSAs on the island, and prioritize rehabilitation over expansion. He illustrated the gravity of the issue by citing Casuguran National High School on Homonhon Island, which is now literally surrounded by mining operations, thereby endangering the safety and future of its students. He called for a balanced approach that upholds both development and environmental protection, asserting that true progress should uplift communities and safeguard their welfare.

On motion of Representative Ceniza, the Chair recognized Rep. Elijah Rumbaoa San Fernando for his interpellation.

INTERPELLATION OF REPRESENTATIVE SAN FERNANDO

Representative San Fernando initially asked whether Representative Gonzales (C.S.) is in favor of mining. Representative Gonzales clarified that he supports mining, provided it is conducted responsibly and in accordance with the Philippine Mining Act; however, he said that there are reports of violations of mining regulations and agreements.

Representative San Fernando asked Representative Gonzales whether he supported mining on Homonhon Island. Representative Gonzales replied that he strongly urges the rehabilitation of mining areas before any further operations; and suggested farming, fishing, and eco-tourism as alternative livelihoods for affected workers. The Members then discussed the negative impact of mining on the island, particularly on Casiguran National High School, where students and teachers suffer from air pollution and noise.

When asked about the mining companies' corporate social responsibility programs, Representative Gonzales acknowledged some efforts but described them as minimal and not concrete, especially since the mining activities still pose significant risks to the community.

Thereafter, Representative San Fernando expressed his support for Representative Gonzales' call to cancel and suspend mining operations to mitigate the harmful effects on Homonhon Island.

EXTENSION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

On motion of Representative Ceniza, there being no objection, the Chair approved to extend the Privilege Hour for another 60 minutes.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE GONZALES (C.S.)

There being no other interpellations, on motion of Representative Ceniza, there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Gonzales and the interpellation thereon to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. Ronald V. Singson, the Chair recognized Rep. Katrina Reiko Chua-Tai to avail of the Privilege Hour.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CHUA-TAI

Representative Chua-Tai highlighted the threat posed by illegal drugs, especially to the youth, as she reported to the Body a series of drug-related apprehensions in Zamboanga City which yielded shabu with street value worth millions.

At this juncture, Deputy Speaker Biron relinquished the Chair to Deputy Speaker Janette L. Garin.

She emphasized that the youth and remote communities, such as Zamboanga City, are likely targets of international drug syndicates, and that local law enforcement alone is insufficient to combat the growing drug problem.

Thus, Representative Chua-Tai raised two key appeals. First, she called for the reaffirmation and expansion of the role of law enforcement agencies to also serve as educators, mentors, and protectors who actively engage the youth in drug prevention initiatives, and their empowerment through the provision of training, enabling policies, and resources. Second, she urged Congress to swiftly consider and pass a comprehensive anti-drug legislation that provides clear guidelines for rehabilitation, reintegration, protection, and oversight; ensures regular monitoring and transparent reporting; and allocates targeted funding for youth-centered interventions, mental health services, and intelligence coordination.

In closing, Representative Chua-Tai emphasized the public health and socio-economic impact of the drug problem, especially on the youth; stated that she had filed a resolution commending the men and women of Zamboanga City's law enforcement agencies; and urged her colleagues to support her appeals.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CHUA-TAI

There being no Member who wished to interpellate Representative Chua-Tai, on motion of Representative Singson (R.V.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Chua-Tai to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

Thereafter, on motion of Rep. King George Leandro Antonio V. Collantes, the Chair recognized Rep. Renee Louise M. Co for her privilege speech.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CO (R.L.)

First mentioning about the trending online conversations regarding the so-called "nepo babies" referring to children of powerful politicians and contractors, Representative Co relayed the people's outrage against these individuals who flaunt their lavish lifestyles and are sarcastically called scholars of the nation *(mga iskolar ng bayan)* because their lifestyles are allegedly funded by taxpayers' money. She compared their lifestyles against the struggles of genuine scholars who endure overcrowded classrooms and underfunded universities, a clear reflection of a system that rewards dynasties but abandons the youth in a collapsing education system.

She next remarked that education has become a great divider for the youth instead of being a right and great equalizer, noting that financial hardships remain the leading cause of the school's high dropout rates, which go as high as 93 percent in certain areas, specifically in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

Representative Co then requested that her time to deliver her speech be paused while waiting for her presentation slides to be flashed on the screens inside the Session Hall.

REMARKS OF THE CHAIR

The Chair asked if the Secretariat was ready to display the presentation slides of Representative Co (R.L.).

SUSPENSION OF SESSION

Thereupon, the Chair *motu proprio* suspended the session at 5:05 p.m.

RESUMPTION OF SESSION

The session was resumed at 5:16 p.m.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CO (R.L.)
(Continuation)

Upon resumption of session and on motion of Representative Collantes, the Chair recognized anew Representative Co to continue her privilege speech. Continuing where she left off, she then shared her slide presentation showing reports of unfinished construction projects in Mindanao State University-Iligan Institute of Technology, various University of the Philippines campuses, and other state universities and colleges (SUCs) across the country which, she opined, pose learning and safety hazards. She attributed these to the underfunding of SUCs and the bureaucratic requirement that projects costing above ₱50 million must pass through the Department of Public Works and Highways. She added that students endure unfavorable learning conditions and administrations resort to revenue generation, with students as primary targets, further burdening them who are left with no choice but to comply as there are few public universities as options. This, as she shared that the number of private higher education institutions is greater than SUCs and local universities and colleges.

Then citing a recent IBON Foundation study that showed the growing gap between the rich and the poor, especially during the pandemic and post-pandemic, Representative Co lamented that ordinary families continue to struggle to make ends meet and wade through waters during typhoons while contractors and their families live in luxury. She then urged the government to (1) hold those involved in the anomalous flood control and infrastructure projects accountable; (2) scrap all sources of corruption, like the pork barrel insertions and confidential and intelligence funds allocations; and (3) return the funds intended for SUCs.

As she stressed the need to prioritize projects and programs that contribute to education, social services, and national development, she pointed out that President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr. should be held primarily accountable for all the corruption in his administration. To the "nepo babies," she advised them to break away from corruption and to use their privilege not to exploit but to stand with the people and genuinely serve them.

In ending her privilege speech, Representative Co posed the challenge to build a society where everyone is equal, and to choose justice and accountability for the youth and scholars.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE CO (R.L.)

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

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF GUESTS

Upon the request of Rep. Wowo Fortes, the Chair acknowledged the presence in the Session Hall of the guests of Rep. Maria Cristina C. Angeles.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE YAMSUAN

Recognized by the Chair upon motion of Representative Cruz (R.), Representative Yamsuan spoke about how digital media has progressed, and changed the way Filipino people receive and interact with information and as such, to make the most of it to bring the government closer to the people through proper information and engagement.

Despite the Philippines being hailed as the social media capital of the world in 2025, Representative Yamsuan lamented the lack of public knowledge and awareness on various government programs, such as the scholarship program offered by the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources for students who want to build a career in aquaculture and fisheries, the Universal Health Care Program of the Department of Health, and the Assistance to Individuals in Crisis Situations Program of the Department of Social Welfare and Development.

Finally, he urged his colleagues, as representatives of their districts and sectors, to (1) take the lead in providing information that is easily understandable and relevant to the needs of their constituents, as he stressed that proper information dissemination is key to effective governance; (2) be creative by rebranding existing programs and using online registration for convenience and efficiency; and (3) use social media and other avenues of information as bridges of transparency and to harness every platform not just to broadcast, but to engage the public.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE YAMSUAN

On motion of Representative Cruz (R.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Yamsuan to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TAN (J.)

Recognized by the Chair upon motion of Representative Cruz (A.P.), Rep. Joseph S. Tan commemorated the celebration of the National Literacy Week in September. He emphasized that literacy is not merely the ability to read and write, but a key to opportunity, a weapon against poverty, and a foundation for a brighter future. He then mentioned the ongoing issue of functional illiteracy in the Philippines, particularly in remote and underserved areas, where children walk for hours to reach under-resourced schools, and adults struggle with basic reading tasks that affect their livelihoods, health, and ability to participate fully in society.

As he opined that illiteracy is a silent form of inequality and that the fight for literacy should be placed at the heart of national governance, Representative Tan appealed to strengthen public education by ensuring enough teachers, fair compensation, and modern classrooms; expand community-based literacy programs beyond schools into barangays, libraries, cooperatives, and livelihood centers; and promote digital literacy so that no Filipino is left behind in the age of technology and artificial intelligence.

Representative Tan urged the Body to treat literacy not as charity but as justice, not as a privilege but as a right, and to make it a national mission beyond symbolic observances, and made a call for a new revolution of thought, learning, and literacy.

REFERRAL OF PRIVILEGE SPEECH OF REPRESENTATIVE TAN (J.)

Thereupon, there being no interpellations, on motion of Representative Cruz (A.P.), there being no objection, the Body approved to refer the privilege speech of Representative Tan to the Committee on Rules for its appropriate action.

TERMINATION OF PRIVILEGE HOUR

Thereafter, on motion of Representative Fortes, there being no objection, the Chair terminated the Privilege Hour.

ELECTION OF MAJORITY MEMBERS TO VARIOUS COMMITTEES

Whereupon, on motion of Senior Deputy Majority Leader Lorenz R. Defensor, there being no objection, the Body affirmed the election of the following Members of the Majority to the committees specified hereunder:

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Considering that copies of *Journal No. 8* dated August 26, 2025 and *Journal No. 9* dated August 27, 2025 were already distributed to the Members, on motion of Representative Panaligan, there being no objection, the Body dispensed with the reading thereof and subsequently approved the said Journals.

ADJOURNMENT OF SESSION

At this point, on motion of Representative Panaligan, there being no objection, the Chair declared the session adjourned until three o'clock in the afternoon of Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

It was 6:05 p.m.

I hereby certify to the correctness of the foregoing.

REGINALD S. VELASCO
Secretary General

Approved on September 8, 2025.

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** Section 71, Rule XI of the Provisional Rules of the House
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