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Introduced by: Senator Paolo Benigno "Bam" A. Aquino IV

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS OF E-GOVERNMENT SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Philippine Constitution provides that Science and Technology are essential for national development and progress. The State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization, and to science and technology education, training and services;

WHEREAS, the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) is now mandated by virtue of Republic Act No. 10844 to lead government efforts on the information and communications technology (ICT) front, including the harmonization and coordination of all national ICT plans and programs "to ensure knowledge, information and resource-sharing, database-building and agency networking linkages among government agencies;"

WHEREAS, the Integrated Government Philippines (iGOvPhil) was launched in 2012 to provide necessary infrastructure, systems and applications, and platforms for the establishment of an electronic government (e-government);

WHEREAS, e-government is being implemented through the iGovPhil Project and the Medium-term ICT Harmonization Initiative (MITHI). This is a fundamental part of the E-Government Master Plan of 2013-2016;

WHEREAS, iGovPhil aims to improve processes in government to provide better services, while MITHI aims to harmonize and ensure interoperability among ICT-related resources, programs and projects across the government;

WHEREAS, in 2015, the project completed laying fiber optic cables in Metro Manila. It also continued the operation of government data and government cloud; the development of shared services of Archives Records Management and Government Project Management Information Systems and Forms Generator; technical support to government agencies for web hosting services; issuing digital certificates to individuals, agencies and server; and the procurement of capital outlays;

WHEREAS, there is a need to determine the current status of the other projects as well as to come up with an inventory of all the services available for e-government

services in order for the government to ensure that efforts to improve ICT policies and services in the country are properly and efficiently executed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to direct the appropriate Senate Committee to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the status of E-Government Services.

Adopted,

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