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Introduced by **SENATOR VICENTE C. SOTTO III**

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES AND OTHER APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE CURRENT WATER CRISIS IN METRO MANILA AND NEARBY AREAS, WITH THE END GOAL OF CRAFTING MEASURES THAT WILL BE MORE EFFECTIVE IN ENSURING THAT THERE WILL BE SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY IN METRO MANILA, ITS NEARBY AREAS AND OTHER AREAS IN THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, since last week, thousands of households, schools and even hospitals in Metro Manila and some areas in the province of Rizal have been receiving low to zero supply of water;

WHEREAS, this problem arose due to the operational adjustments being done by water service concessionaires Manila Water and Maynilad that resulted to cutting or reducing of water supply in parts of Metro Manila and Rizal;

WHEREAS, the inadequate or lack of water supply has caused inconvenience to the affected residents, students and patients;

WHEREAS, if left unresolved, the water crisis may bring more serious problems to the people and businesses of the affected areas, and may impact the country as a whole;

WHEREAS, some attributes the crisis to the El Niño, while others blame water service concessionaires, hence the need to review the concession agreements with them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Senate of the Philippines, to direct the Committee on Public Services and other appropriate Senate Committees to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, on the current water crisis in Metro Manila and nearby areas, with the end goal of crafting measures that will be more effective in ensuring that there will be sustainable water supply in Metro Manila, its nearby areas and other areas in the country.

Adopted.


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