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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## H. No. 4863

BY REPRESENTATIVES MATUGAS, ACOP, SUANSING (H.), MONTORO, PIMENTEL, DALIPE, GARCIA (G.), OAMINAL, ALEJANO AND SY-ALVARADO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 72

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE-CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND DETECTION GROUP (PNP-CIDG) BY RESTORING ITS AUTHORITY TO ISSUE SUBPOENA AD TESTIFICANDUM OR SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 35(B)(4) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990"

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

SECTION 1. Section 35(b)(4) of Republic Act No. 6975, otherwise known as the "Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990", is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 "Section 35. Support Units. - x x x

5 "x x x

"(b) Operational Support Units - (1)  $\times \times \times$ 

7 "(2) x x x

"(3) x x x

"(4) Criminal Investigation [Unit] AND DETECTION GROUP (CIDG). Headed by a Director with the rank of chief superintendent, the Criminal Investigation [Unit] AND DETECTION GROUP (CIDG) shall undertake the monitoring, investigation and prosecution of all crimes involving economic sabotage, and other crimes of such magnitude and extent [as to indicate their] INDICATED BY THE PLANNING AND commission OF THE SAME by highly placed or professional criminal syndicates and organizations.

"[This unit] THE CIDG shall likewise investigate all major cases involving violations of the Revised Penal Code and operate against organized crime groups, unless the President assigns the case exclusively to the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI).

"THE PNP CHIEF SHALL HAVE THE SOLE POWER TO ISSUE SUBPOENA AD TESTIFICANDUM OR SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE CIDG IN ANY INVESTIGATION OR INQUIRY OF THE CIDG. THE DIRECTOR AND THE DEPUTY DIRECTORS OF THE CIDG SHALL HAVE THE POWER TO ADMINISTER OATH UPON CASES UNDER INVESTIGATION: PROVIDED, THAT THE ATTENDANCE OR SUBMISSION OF EVIDENCE OF AN ABSENT OR RECALCITRANT WITNESS MAY BE ENFORCED BY APPLICATION TO ANY TRIAL COURT."

1	SEC. 2. Repealing Clause. – Section 35(b)(4) of Republic Act
2	No. 6975 is hereby amended. All other laws, ordinances, rules,
3	regulations and other issuances or parts thereof which are
4	inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified
5	accordingly.
6	SEC. 3. Effectivity This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
7	days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of
8	general circulation.

Approved,