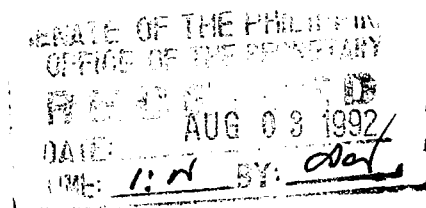


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S E N A T E

P. S. RES. No. 49

Introduced by Senator Lina, Jr.

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON URBAN PLANNING, HOUSING AND RESETTLEMENT TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE INTO THE RENT CONTROL SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY PARTICULARLY IN METRO MANILA, AS REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6828 IS DUE TO EXPIRE ON DECEMBER 31, 1992, AND TO RECOMMEND THE APPROPRIATE MEASURES TO TAKE ON THE MATTER

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 6828, "An Act Extending The Effectivity Of Batas Pambansa Blg. 877 Entitled 'An Act Providing For The Stabilization And Regulation Of Rentals Of Certain Residential Units And For Other Purposes' For Another Three Years, Amending Thereby Section One Of Republic Act No. Sixty-Six Hundred And Forty-Three", shall expire on December 31, 1992;

WHEREAS, at present, despite serious efforts of government to address the housing needs of the country's middle and low income families through the socialized housing programs under the Abot Kaya Pabahay Fund and the Urban Development and Housing Act and other government housing projects, there remains a lot more to be done to solve the housing backlog;

WHEREAS, coupled with this housing problem is the continuous increase in inflation rate and prices of basic commodities which makes it doubly difficult for the middle and low-income families to cope up with the increase of rental fees;

WHEREAS, rental regulation is a critical and sensitive issue as it requires the balancing of interests of the homeless families and the property rights of apartment owners;

WHEREAS, there is thus a need to know the rent control situation of the country today to enable Congress determine whether or not to extend the effectivity of the existing Rent Control Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, to direct the Committee on Urban Planning, Housing and Resettlement to conduct an inquiry as soon as possible into the rent control situation in the country today, particularly in Metro Manila, as Republic Act No. 6828 is due to expire on December 31, 1992, and to recommend to the Senate the appropriate measures to take on the matter.

Adopted,

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