

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**The Secretary.** Committee Report No. 620, submitted by the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture, on Senate Bill No. 826, introduced by Senator Laurel, entitled

AN ACT TO INTEGRATE IN THE CURRICULA OF ALL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS INCLUDING NON-FORMAL, INDIGENOUS LEARNING AND OUT-OF-SCHOOL PROGRAM, A COURSE ON MAN AND HIS ENVIRONMENT,

recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Laurel

**The President.** To the Calendar for Ordinary Business.

**The Secretary.** Committee Report No. 621, submitted by the Committee on Electoral Reforms and People's Participation, on Senate Bill No. 871, introduced by Senator Lina, Jr., entitled

AN ACT TO SET THE BARANGAY YOUTH COUNCIL ELECTIONS TO WITHIN FORTY-FIVE DAYS FROM THE BARANGAY ELECTIONS ON MARCH 28, 1989; PRESCRIBING RULES GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF SAID YOUTH COUNCIL ELECTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,

recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Lina, Jr.

**The President.** To the Calendar for Ordinary Business.

**The Secretary.** Committee Report No. 622, submitted by the Committee on Rules, on Proposed Senate Resolution No. 434, introduced by Senator Mercado, entitled

RESOLUTION AMENDING RULE XXI OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE BY PROVIDING FOR THE ORDER IN THE LISTING OF NAMES OF AUTHORS OF CONSOLIDATED AND SUBSTITUTE BILLS,

recommending its approval without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Mercado

**The President.** To the Calendar for Ordinary Business.

MOTION OF SENATOR MERCADO  
(To Vote on Third Reading Senate Bill No. 1084)

**Senator Mercado.** Ginoong Pangulo, ang Panukalang Batas Blg. 1084 ay certified ng Pangulo ng ating bansa. Hinihingi ko na ating pagbotohan sa Ikatlong Pagbasa ang Panukalang Batas Blg. 1084, na ang tituto po ay

AN ACT TO RATIONALIZE WAGE POLICY DETERMINATION BY ESTABLISHING A MECHANISM THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Nakapagbigay po ng mga kopya o sipi ng naturang panukalang batas kanina. Kung wala pong tututol, hinihingi ko na ating pagbotohan sa pamamagitan ng Roll Call vote.

**Senator Gonzales.** Mr. President.

**The President.** Senator Gonzales is recognized.

**Senator Gonzales.** Ginoong Pangulo, kaisa po ako ng damdamin ng lahat ng kaanib ng Senado para mapagtibay sa lalong madaling panahon ang Senate Bill No. 1084 sapagkat naniniwala ako na kinakailangan ang madaliang pagpapatibay rito. Pero, ibig ko po lamang linawin ang mga bagay na maaaring magbunga ng ilang mga suliranin lalung-lalo na sa konstitiyunalidad o pagsang-ayon sa Saligang Batas ng gagawin nating Ikatlong Pagbasa sa ngayon. Ibig ko pong malaman, Ginoong Pangulo, kung hindi tutoo na itong bill na ito ay matagal nang nai-file sa Secretariat ng Senado bago natin tinanggap iyong certified bill. Sapagkat ang pagkakaalam ko po hindi ito ang certified bill kundi ito ay naiibang bill kaysa roon sa sinertipikahan ng ating Pangulo. At kung iyun ay tutoo; magkakaroon po tayo ng paglabag sa alituntunin ng ating Saligang Batas, at dahil sa ating pagmamadali na mabigyan ng katarungan ang ating mga manggagawa ay malalagay naman sa alinlangan ang kaayusan ng ating gagawin ngayong umaga.

**The President.** Ito po ba'y kasali sa certification ng Pangulo ng Pilipinas?

**Senator Herrera.** Mr. President.

**The President.** Senator Herrera is recognized.

**Senator Herrera.** Salamat, Ginoong Pangulo.

This is a consolidated bill, Mr. President, where we consolidated the three bills. In fact, one of the reasons why there was a delay in the enactment of this bill is that we waited for the certified bill. If we will remember, the President, when she made

an announcement that she will certify a bill, there was a delay on that because after the demonstration of the labor sector before the Senate, there was a request that the President should first give a chance to the labor sector, and the employers to meet with her. I was invited in that meeting, Mr. President, and then after that we were informed of the President's certified bill. And it was only after we got receipt of the certified bill which was sponsored by Senator Paterno that in the Committee we started to work on that.

That is the background, Mr. President. So that this bill that we have approved on Second Reading is the certified bill, but then we consolidated the other provisions of the other bill. For instance, the P20 wage increase was really taken from the bill filed by Senator Maceda and Senator Mercado. But the main feature, almost all the important provisions of the bill that we have approved last night were taken from the certified bill and in particular, the regionalization of wages. That is the background, Mr. President.

**The President.** The Chair would like to find out whether Senate Bill No. 993, that particular bill introduced by Senators Herrera and the other Senators, was certified by the President?

**Senator Herrera.** No, it is not the bill that was certified, Mr. President.

**The President.** The second question is: Was Senate Bill No. 107, introduced by Senator Paterno, certified by the President?

**Senator Herrera.** This is the certified bill, Mr. President.

#### SUSPENSION OF THE SESSION

**The President.** Let us suspend the session, if there is no objection. [*There was none.*]

*It was 10:26 a.m.*

#### RESUMPTION OF THE SESSION

*At 10:28 a.m., the session was resumed.*

**The President.** The session is resumed.

The Majority Floor Leader is recognized.

**Senator Mercado.** Ginoong Pangulo, dahil na rin sa inyong nawika, kung sakali na mayroong kaunting duda sa gagawing pagbobotohan sa Ikatlong Pagbasa sa Panukalang Batas na ito, ay dapat nating gawin ito sa pamamaraan na tayo ay makapag-iingat.

**The President.** Para tayo ay makatiyak sa kaayusan ng ating gagawin.

**Senator Mercado.** Bagamat kami po ay naniniwala na ito ay maaaring pagbotohan sa Pangatlong Pagbasa ay iniuulong ko ang aking mosyon na ito po ay pagbotohan at sa halip, ito ay gawin na lamang sa Martes.

**The President.** Mayroon po bang tutol? [*Silence*]  
Accepted.

**Senator Maceda.** Mr. President.

**The President.** Senator Maceda is recognized.

**Senator Maceda.** I just like to add for the record. Since the final copy has been distributed today in mimeographed form which is the same as printed form, when can we vote on this, counting three days, Tuesday or Wednesday?

**The President.** We will see to it to remove any doubt, whatever, that the printed form will be distributed today.

**Senator Maceda.** It was distributed this morning.

**The President.** We will distribute; we can ask our editorial department to do that.

**Senator Mercado.** Ginoong Pangulo, noong nakaraang panahon ay nagkaroon din tayo ng mga katanungan tungkol sa manner of printing. Iminumungkahi ko na ang gawin po natin ay iyong dating printing form ang siya pong ipamigay.

**The President.** Magagawa naman iyon sa araw na ito para walang alinlangan.

**Senator Mercado.** *Ang itinatanong ko po kung ganoon ay: Iyon bang three days ay, three session days or three calendar days?*

**The President.** The Chair understands that that refers to three calendar days.

**Senator Maceda.** All right. So it would be safe on Tuesday, can we vote on it?

**The President.** Unless there is an opinion and a prevailing opinion to the contrary.

**Senator Mercado.** Gusto ko pong sabihin, Ginoong Pangulo, na iyon po ang dating ginagawa natin at wala pong tumututol sa naturang procedure natin.

**The President.** All right.