

AN ACT CHANGING THE NAME OF THE PARKS AND WILDLIFE OFFICE TO BUREAU OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

THAT IT BE APPROVED WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

Respectfully submitted:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO D. ALMENDRAS
Chairman
Committee on Agriculture and
Natural Resources

The Honorable
The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
Manila

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

The SECRETARY:

(COM. REPT. No. 1233)

Mr. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, to which was referred H. No. 3013, introduced by Committee on Agriculture and Congressmen Mercado, Caliwara, Abeleda, Honrado, Congresswoman Nepomuceno, Congressmen Alberto, Tabiana, Congresswoman Duran, Congressmen Veloso(F.) and Abad, as per Committee Report No. 1774, entitled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ONE EXPERIMENTAL AND BREEDING STATION IN EACH PROVINCE OF THE PHILIPPINES WHERE THERE ARE NO EXISTING EXPERIMENTAL AND BREEDING STATIONS, AND APPROPRIATING THE NECESSARY FUNDS THEREFOR,

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

THAT IT BE APPROVED WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

Respectfully submitted:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO D. ALMENDRAS
Chairman
Committee on Agriculture and
Natural Resources

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

The SECRETARY:

(COM. REPT. No. 1234)

Mr. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, to which was referred S. No. 368, introduced by Senator Almendras, entitled:

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES TO SELL A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND OF THE PRIVATE DOMAIN OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO THE CONFEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION, INC.

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

THAT IT BE APPROVED WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

Respectfully submitted:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO D. ALMENDRAS
Chairman
Committee on Agriculture and
Natural Resources

The Honorable
The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
Manila

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

The SECRETARY:

(COM. REPT. No. 1235)

Mr. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources, to which was referred H. No. 6006, introduced by Congressman Badelles, entitled:

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE SUBDIVISION OF THE SARAY FORESHORE LAND IN THE CITY OF ILIGAN INTO LOTS AND THE SALE OF THE SAID LOTS TO THEIR LESSEES OR BONA FIDE OCCUPANTS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

THAT IT BE APPROVED WITHOUT AMENDMENT.

Respectfully submitted:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO D. ALMENDRAS
Chairman
Committee on Agriculture and
Natural Resources

The Honorable
The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
Manila

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

The SECRETARY:

(COM. REPT. No. 1236)

Mr. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Revision of Laws, to which was referred S. No. 627, (5th C. R. P.), introduced by Senator Katigbak, entitled:

"AN ACT TO REGULATE THE PRACTICE OF SOCIAL WORK AND THE OPERATION OF SOCIAL WORK AGENCIES IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,"

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the following recommendation:

THAT IT BE APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

1. On page 1 —

(a) Line 2, delete the comma (,) after "Act" and replace with a colon (:); delete also the words "the following terms".

- (b) Delete line 3.
- (c) Line 4, enclose "Social Work" with quotation marks (" ").
- (d) Line 10, enclose "social worker" with quotation marks (" ").
2. On page 4, line 14, "Bureau of Civil Service" should read "Civil Service Commission."
3. On page 5, line 3, insert after "Philippines" the words "and the Congress".
4. On page 7, line 10, insert after "of" the words "at least".
5. On page 8, line 25, delete "Bureau of", and on line 26, insert "Commission" after "Service".

Respectfully submitted:
 (Sgd.) JUAN R. LIWAG
Chairman
 Committee on Revision of Laws

The Honorable
 The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE
 Manila

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

Senator TOLENTINO. Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. The Majority Floor Leader is recognized.

CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 2921

(Continuation)

Senator TOLENTINO. I move that we resume consideration of House Bill No. 2921, being sponsored by the distinguished gentleman from Rizal and Ilocos Sur.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. The distinguished gentleman from Ilocos Sur and Rizal is recognized.

Senator MANGLAPUS. Mr. President, the sponsorship of this bill is finished and we have rather ample discussion on the merits of the bill itself and if there are no more questions to be raised, I move that we go into the period of amendment.

Senator GANZON. Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE. The gentleman from Iloilo is recognized.

Senator GANZON. Just one question to the distinguished gentleman. Now, gentleman from Ilocos Sur and Rizal, may I ask you the number one reason, the first, or the most important reason why you are sponsoring this bill, among the many other reasons? You must have a very important reason.

Senator MANGLAPUS. The Committee feels that the bill is of public interest. It is of public interest because we feel that the money that is be-

ing spent on the training of these Army officers in the academy is not being taken full advantage of for public good, because instead of being given this chance to serve the full thirty years they are given only twenty-six years after their training.

Senator GANZON. Is it the position of the distinguished gentleman that this bill is the only way wherein we can avail of the services, or to be specific, of the present men now in the Army and who are retirable is to pass this bill so that they can be extended in their number of years of service?

Senator MANGLAPUS. Well, if that question is now to be asked, then I will move to the other reason of the sponsor.

Senator GANZON. I asked that question, gentleman from Ilocos Sur and Rizal, because it appears to me that under existing laws the President of the Philippines, upon considering certain considerations, I am almost sure it is meritorious, can still avail of the services of officers who are retirable by merely extending their services. I think there is a law authorizing the President in doing that. What does the gentleman say?

Senator MANGLAPUS. Yes. That point has been raised, I think, by the gentleman from Laguna and my answer was that it is true that Section 1(b) of the present law gives the President power to extend the service of certain officers. The power is in his hands entirely. My answer was that this would still be applicable if this law is passed. But if this law is not passed then the inequality that exists between PMA graduates and the non-PMA graduates would continue. That is to say, the PMA graduates, at the end of twenty-six years, would have to wait for the President to continue their services, whereas the non-PMA graduates can go up to thirty years before they have to wait for the President to continue them. So that, the present law, while it gives the President the power to continue their services, does not automatically continue the services of the PMA graduates, and the inequality that we are trying to solve will not be solved if we do not pass this bill.

Senator GANZON. Is it not possible, under existing law, gentleman from Ilocos Sur and Rizal, that the President may extend from year to year the services of the officer concerned even though he is retirable this year so that it is possible that that man may even reach sixty years or sixty-five years in the service? Is that possible?

Senator MANGLAPUS. Yes, it is possible, although the record will show that in the past it has never