

Very respectfully,

(Sgd.) I. B. PAREJA
Secretary

The Honorable
The President of the Senate
Manila

The PRESIDENT. To the Committee on Provincial and Municipal Governments and Cities.

The SECRETARY:

COMMITTEE REPORT
(Committee Report No. 308)

Mr. President:

The Committee on Revision of Laws, to which was referred H. No. 1124 — 7th C.R.P., introduced by Congressman Diaz, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SUBPARAGRAPH SEVEN OF SECTION SEVENTEEN OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN, AS AMENDED, KNOWN AS THE PHILIPPINE NURSING LAW,

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

THAT IT BE CONSOLIDATED WITH S. NOS. 39, 398 AND 472 AND THAT IT BE APPROVED WITH THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

1. On line 5, Section 1, delete the comma after the word “treatments” and thereafter insert the word “and”.
2. In Section 1, line 6, delete the word “AND” and in lieu thereof insert the word “INCLUDING”.

Respectfully submitted:

(Sgd.) JOSE W. DIOKNO
Chairman

Committee on Revision of Laws

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The PRESIDENT. To the Calendar of Ordinary Business.

SUSPENSION OF THE SESSION

The session is suspended for a few minutes, if there is no objection. (*There was none.*)

(*It was 10:03 a.m.*)

RESUMPTION OF THE SESSION

(*10:43 a.m., the session was resumed with the Senate President, Honorable Gil J. Puyat, Presiding.*)

The PRESIDENT. The session is resumed.

CONSIDERATION OF SENATE BILL NO. 540

Senator TOLENTINO. Mr. President, I move that we consider now Senate Bill No. 540 to be sponsored by the distinguished Chairman of the Committee on Education.

The PRESIDENT. Consideration of Senate Bill No. 540 is now in order. The Secretary will please read the bill.

The SECRETARY:

AN ACT GRANTING THE SECRETARY OF EDUCATION THE AUTHORITY TO REGULATE TUITION AND OTHER SCHOOL FEES OF PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

SECTION 1. The Secretary of Education shall have the duty and authority to approve the schedule of tuition and other school fees that each private school, college, university or any other educational institution may impose. He shall determine the reasonableness of fees charged by them taking into consideration the sufficiency of facilities, the nature of courses and curriculum offered, the standards maintained, the volume of enrollment, the existence or lack of faculty development program, facilities and student conveniences installed and others in relation to the general cost of living.

SEC. 2. No private educational institution authorized or recognized by the government shall charge and/or collect from students enrolling therein any tuition and/or other fees unless the amounts there-