

RECORD OF THE SENATE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 1996

THE JOURNAL

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ROLL CALL

The President. The Secretary will please call the roll.

The Secretary, reading:

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The President. With 16 senators present, there is a quorum.

* Arrived after the rollcall

** On Official Mission

Senator Tatad. Mr. President, I move that we dispense with the reading of the *Journal* of the previous session and consider it approved.

The President. Is there any objection? *[Silence]* There being none, the motion is approved.

The Secretary will read the Reference of Business.

REFERENCE OF BUSINESS

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Secretary.

November 12, 1996

Mr. President:

I have been directed to inform the Senate that in view of the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 6265, entitled

AN ACT REDEFINING THE LAW ON RAPE, RECLASSIFYING THE SAME AS A CRIME AGAINST PERSONS TO INCLUDE OTHER FORMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT ON ANY PERSON, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES THEREFOR, AMENDING IN THIS CONNECTION ARTICLE 335 OF THE REVISED PENAL CODE, ACT NUMBER 3815, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,

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and Hon. Teresa Aquino-Oreta, as its conferees.

Very truly yours,

(Sgd.) ROBERTO P. NAZARENO
Secretary General

The Honorable
ERNESTO M. MACEDA
President of the Senate
M a n i l a

The Secretary.

November 11, 1996

Mr. President:

I have been directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives, on November 11, 1996, designated Congressmen Jerome V. Paras, Amadeo R. Perez, Margarito B. Teves, Ronaldo B. Zamora, Enrique T. Garcia, Edcel C. Lagman and John Henry R. Osmena, as additional members of the Bicameral Conference Committee on the part of the House on the disagreeing provisions of House Bill No. 7198, entitled

AN ACT AMENDING SECTIONS 138, 139, 140
AND 142 OF THE NATIONAL INTERNAL
REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED,

and the Senate version of the measure.

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The President. Referred to the Committee on Rules

The Secretary.

November 13, 1996

Mr. President:

I have been directed to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives, on November 12, 1996, designated Hon. Manuel A. Roxas III as an additional member of the Conference Committee on the part of the

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AN ACT REGULATING THE ISSUANCE OF