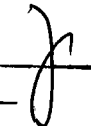


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A RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT CORPORATIONS AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE STATUS AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE PROCEEDS FROM THE SALE OF PORTIONS OF METRO MANILA MILITARY CAMPS IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 7227, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "BASES CONVERSION AND DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 1992", AS AMENDED, WITH THE END IN VIEW OF ENSURING THAT SAID PROCEEDS WERE REMITTED BY THE BCDA AND WERE UTILIZED FOR THEIR INTENDED PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to accelerate the sound and balanced conversion of military reservations into alternative productive land for civilian uses and to sell portions thereof to raise funds in order to promote economic and social development;

WHEREAS, Republic Act Number 7227, otherwise known as the "*Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992*", as amended, was enacted to provide for the policies and procedures on the conversion into alternative productive use of the Clark and Subic military reservations and the sale of portions of military camps in Metro Manila;

WHEREAS, the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA) was created in accordance with R.A. No. 7227, as amended, to administer the aforesaid conversion and sale of portions of military bases;

WHEREAS, the BCDA Act provides for the distribution of the proceeds from the sale of the portions of military reservations in Metro Manila, net of expenses, as follows:

- a. Thirty-five percent (35%) to finance the modernization program of the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), transfer and construction of new military camps, rehabilitation of the AFP Medical Center and the modernization of the government arsenal;
- b. Twenty-seven and a half percent (27.5%) for the construction and upgrade of infrastructures such as highways, railways and transport facilities to make Subic-Clark and other bases accessible;
- c. Twelve percent (12%) to finance the National Shelter Program;
- d. Three percent (3%) to finance the National Health Insurance Program;
- e. Five percent (5%) to finance critical infrastructure projects not covered by the Build-Operate-Transfer program in areas surrounding the former baselands;
- f. Two (2%) to finance the benefits/claims of Military War Veterans and their dependents;
- g. One percent (1%) as contribution to the Higher Education Development Fund to finance student scholarship, faculty development and improved physical plans of colleges and universities under the Commission on Higher Education;
- h. Two percent (2%) to finance science and technology scholarships and training of Filipino scientists;
- i. One percent (1%) for the multi-year program of the prosecution service;
- j. Two percent (2%) but not to exceed two billion pesos (P2 billion) to finance the multi-year modernization of the National Bureau of Investigation, Philippine

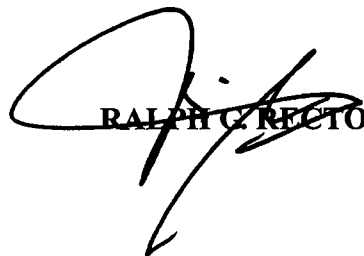
- National Police and the improvement of prison facilities;
- k. One percent (1%) for multi-year judicial program;
 - l. Two percent (2%) to finance the establishment of pre-school and day care centers nationwide;
 - m. One-half percent (1/2%) for the summer program for the education of students;
 - n. One percent (1%) for the construction of senior citizen centers;
 - o. Three percent (3%) to the emergency and contingent needs of areas devastated by the Mount Pinatubo eruption; and
 - p. Two percent (2%) for infrastructure development of future special economic zones to be created.

WHEREAS, it is imperative for Congress to determine if the proceeds from the sale of portions of military bases were remitted and utilized for the uses mandated by the BCDA law;

WHEREAS, it is also necessary for Congress to review if the earmarking of the said proceeds is still valid and necessary to date, since the law was last amended in the year 1995;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Philippine Senate, to direct the Committee on Government Corporations and Public Enterprises to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the status and distribution of the proceeds from the sale of portions of Metro Manila military camps in accordance with Republic Act Number 7227, otherwise known as the "Bases Conversion and Development Act of 1992", as amended, with the end in view of ensuring that said proceeds were remitted by the BCDA and were utilized for their intended purposes.

Adopted,


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