



MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Directors**
Legal Affairs Service
Policy and Planning Service
Climate Change Service

The Bureau Directors
Land Management Bureau
Forest Management Bureau
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
Environmental Management Bureau

The Officer-In-Charge
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM : **The Director**
Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **INVITATION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS RE: THE
PRESIDENTIAL LEGISLATIVE LIAISON OFFICE (PLLO)
DRAFT BILL FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE
AND FOOD OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

DATE : 20 April 2023

The Committee on Agriculture and Food of the House of Representatives will conduct a Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting on **April 26, 2023 (Wednesday) at 1:30 PM via Zoom**, to discuss the drafting of the substitute bill on the following house bills:

1. House Bill No. 1976 – “AN ACT REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY, CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO SALT FARMERS AND EXPORTERS, PROVIDING FUND THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,” introduced by Rep. Ron P. Salo;
2. House Bill No. 5537 - “AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE PHILIPPINE ADVANCED SALT INNOVATION (ASIN) CENTER TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE THE SALT-MAKING INDUSTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” introduced by Rep. Ramon N. Guico Jr.;
3. House Bill No. 5676 - AN ACT DEFINING SALT AS AN AQUATIC RESOURCE AND ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE SALT INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8550, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE PHILIPPINE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998,” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”, introduced by Rep. Wilbert T. Lee;
4. House Bill No. 7236 - AN ACT PROMOTING AND REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8172, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “AN ACT FOR SALT IODIZATION NATIONWIDE (ASIN),” PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES” introduced by Rep. Midy N. Cua;

5. House Bill No. 7313 – “AN ACT REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY, CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO SALT FARMERS AND EXPORTERS, PROVIDING FUND THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,” introduced by Rep. Gus Tambunting; and
6. House No. 7357 – “AN ACT STRENGTHENING AND REVITALIZING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SALT INDUSTRY IN THE PHILIPPINES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8558, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS “THE PHILPPINE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998,” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,” introduced by Rep. Luis Raymund “Lray” F. Villafuerte, et. al.

In this regard, may we **request comments/recommendations** on the proposed draft bill from the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office. Kindly submit the name/s of the attendees and your comments **on or before April 25, 2023, at 5 PM** via email at denrlo@denr.gov.ph.

Attached herewith is the invitation letter. The matrix which contains the proposed draft from the Presidential Legislative Liaison Office can be accessed through this link <https://bit.ly/43Q5S3W>.

Your attendance is highly encouraged.

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cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs
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SECRETARY MARIA ANTONIA YULO LOYZAGA

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Dear Secretary Loyzaga:

The Technical Working Group (TWG) tasked to further study the measures on the development of the salt Industry will hold a TWG meeting on **26 April 2023, 1:30 P.M.**, to discuss the drafting of the substitute bill on the following house bills:

1. **House Bill No. 1976** - "AN ACT REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY, CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO SALT FARMERS AND EXPORTERS, PROVIDING FUND THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," introduced by Rep. Ron P. Salo;
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4. **House Bill No. 7236** - AN ACT PROMOTING AND REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8172, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT FOR SALT IODIZATION NATIONWIDE (ASIN)," PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" introduced by Rep. Midy N. Cua;
5. **House Bill No. 7313** - "AN ACT REVITALIZING THE SALT INDUSTRY, CREATING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDING INCENTIVES TO SALT FARMERS AND EXPORTERS, PROVIDING FUND THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES," introduced by Rep. Gus Tambunting; and
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In this regard, we would like to request your attendance to the TWG meeting via zoom platform. Attached is the matrix of bills together with the proposed draft from Presidential Legislative Liaison Office for reference.

Below is the Zoom log-in details:

<https://zoom.us/j/95439771083?pwd=Lzd3dkFYUW83MmdTdFlaQU93ZGtQUt09>

Meeting ID: 954 3977 1083

Passcode: 092141

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

REP. RON P. SALO

TWG Chairperson

For the TWG Chairperson:

CONSOLACION P. GALANG

Committee Secretary