



## MEMORANDUM

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

**All Bureau Directors**

**The Administrator**  
National Mapping and Resource Information Authority

**The Regional Executive Director**  
Region V

FROM : **The Director**  
Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND INVITATION TO THE 20<sup>TH</sup> REGULAR MEETING ON THE VARIOUS HOUSE RESOLUTIONS AND HOUSE BILLS OF THE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

DATE : 28 July 2023

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In reference to the electronic mail received by our Office, the Committee on Higher and Technical Education of the House of Representatives will conduct its 19<sup>th</sup> Regular Committee Meeting and is inviting the Department **on August 2, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at De Venecia Hall, South Wing Annex Bldg. House of Representatives, Quezon City** and via **Zoom (Zoom Meeting ID: 998 1857 7768, Passcode: 910902)**, to discuss the following legislative measures:

### A. HOUSE RESOLUTIONS

- **House Resolution No. 1000** – “A Resolution Congratulating and Commending the UP Law for Winning the World Championship in the 2022-2023 Price Media Law Moot Court Competition International Rounds”
- **House Resolution No. 1005** – “A Resolution Congratulating Mr. Alexis Castillo Alegado of Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) for Being the Overall Topnotcher in the April 2023 Civil Engineers Licensure Examination (CELE)”

- **House Resolution No. 1006** – “A Resolution Congratulating Ms. Aira Cassandra Suguitan Castro, M.D., of Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) for Being the Overall Topnotcher and Commending MMSU for Garnering 100% Passing Rate in the March 2023 Physician Licensure Examination (PLE)”
- **House Resolution No. 767** – “Resolution Calling for the Government to Improve Access to Tertiary Education and Reduce Attrition Rates Among Deserving and Financially Challenged Students by Increasing Budget Allocation for Scholarships, Among Other Interventions”

## **B. HOUSE BILLS**

### **1. Strengthening the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy**

- **House Bill No. 6503** – “An Act Upgrading and Strengthening the Philippine Maritime Industry by Changing the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy into Philippine National Maritime Academy (PNMA) to Meet the Strategic Needs of the Changing International and Domestic Maritime Industry and Address the Economic and National Maritime Defense Situation, and for Other Purposes”
- **House Bill No. 8056** – “An Act Declaring the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy as the National Maritime Academy, Expanding its Powers and Functions, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 8489** – “An Act Upgrading and Strengthening the Philippine Maritime Industry to Meet the Strategic Needs of the Changing International and Domestic Maritime Industry and Address the Economic and National Maritime Defense Situation, and for Other Purposes”; and
- **House Bill No. 8589** – “An Act Transforming the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy into the Philippine National Maritime Academy as the Primary Institution for the Basic and Continuing Higher Education and Training of Maritime Professionals and Leaders for National Development and Security, and for Other Purposes”

### **2. Establishing TESDA Training and Assessment Centers**

- **House Bill No. 3358** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Batang, Pamplona, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Batang, Pamplona TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 3361** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Burabod, Pamplona, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Burabod, Pamplona TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 3362** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Cagbibi, Pamplona, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the

Cagbibi, Pamplona TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

- **House Bill No. 3363** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Calascagas, San Fernando, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Calascagas, San Fernando TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 4281** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Bagacay, Libmanan, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Bagacay, Libmanan TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 4282** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Bagadion, Libmanan, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Bagadion, Libmanan TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 4283** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Bagumbayan, Libmanan, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Bagumbayan, Libmanan TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 4284** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Bahao, Libmanan, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Bahao, Libmanan TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”
- **House Bill No. 4287** – “An Act Establishing a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in Cagbunga, Gainza, Province of Camarines Sur, to be Known as the Cagbunga, Gainza TESDA Training and Assessment Center, and Appropriating Funds Therefor”

In this regard, we would like to invite you or your representative to attend the upcoming committee meeting, and may we respectfully request for your comments/recommendations on the abovementioned bills in preparation thereto. Kindly submit your comments **on or before 01 August 2023, 5:00 PM** via email at [denrlo@denr.gov.ph](mailto:denrlo@denr.gov.ph). Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith are the agenda and copies of the House Resolutions and House Bills which can be accessed through this link <http://bit.ly/3OtYXYB> for your reference.

  
**ROMIROSE B. PADIN**

cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs  
Undersecretary for Organizational Transformation and Human Resource



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## **Committee on Higher and Technical Education (CHTE)**

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July 20, 2023

**HON. MARIA ANTONIA YULO LOYZAGA**

Secretary

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

**Dear Secretary Loyzaga:**

The Committee on Higher and Technical Education (CHTE) will conduct its 19th Regular Committee Meeting on **August 2, 2023 (Wednesday), 10:00 a.m., De Venecia Hall, South Wing Annex**, House of Representatives (HRep) Complex, Quezon City and via Zoom (**Meeting ID: 998 1857 7768; Passcode: 910902**).

In this regard, we would like to invite you, as well as the concerned officials, to participate in the meeting to share your views, comments, and recommendations on measures in the attached agenda which concern your agency/organization/stakeholders. We will appreciate receiving an advance copy of your position paper on or before **July 26, 2023**.

Likewise, please submit in advance the names and designation of confirmed attendees to the meeting, as well as the license plate numbers of the vehicles to be used in entering the HRep Complex, via email ([committee.highereducation@house.gov.ph](mailto:committee.highereducation@house.gov.ph)), viber or text (mobile number 09177010374 - Melanie).

Kindly fill out the attached visitor's pass and attach a screenshot/photocopy of a valid ID at least one or two days before the scheduled committee meetings to the committee secretariat (to be submitted to the Legislative Security Bureau for incorporation in the House Pass System for visitors) for the resource persons to be allowed entry into the HRep premises. The guests will receive an email from the House Pass System (containing the link, eQR Code, etc.) once the required information is submitted and approved by the House Security Bureau. The emailed eQR code will have to be presented by the guests at the North Wing gate, buildings and lobbies so they will be allowed to enter the HRep Complex and attend the committee meeting.

Please be informed also that in case there will be a long queue in the regular booths for antigen testing at the lobby of South Wing Annex Building, the attendees to the Committee meeting may use the special lane for senior citizens and persons with disabilities to avoid coming late to the meeting.

Thank you and we look forward to your participation in this endeavor.

Very truly yours,

**FOR THE CHTE CHAIRPERSON MARK O. GO:**



Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
19<sup>th</sup> Congress

**Second Regular Session**

**COMMITTEE ON HIGHER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CHTE)**

**Twentieth Regular Meeting**

August 2, 2023 (Wednesday); 10:00 a.m.; De Venecia Hall, South Wing Annex and via  
Zoom (Meeting ID: 998 1857 7768; Passcode: 910902)

**A G E N D A**

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Opening Prayer**

**III. Roll Call**

**IV. Preliminary Remarks of the Committee Chairperson**

**V. Initial Deliberation on the Following House Resolutions:**

- 1. House Resolution No. 1000** - A Resolution Congratulating and Commending the UP Law for Winning the World Championship in the 2022-2023 Price Media Law Moot Court Competition International Rounds (*Rep. Tambunting*);
- 2. HR No. 1005** - A Resolution Congratulating Mr. Alexis Castillo Alegado of Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) for Being the Overall Topnotcher in the April 2023 Civil Engineers Licensure Examination (CELE) (*Rep. Barba*); and
- 3. HR No. 1006** - A Resolution Congratulating Ms. Aira Cassandra Suguitan Castro, M.D., of Mariano Marcos State University (MMSU) for Being the Overall Topnotcher and Commending MMSU for Garnering 100% Passing Rate in the March 2023 Physician Licensure Examination (PLE) (*Rep. Barba*).

**VI. Initial Deliberation on the Following Bills Strengthening the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy:**

- 1. HB No. 6503** – An Act Upgrading and Strengthening the Philippine Maritime Industry by Changing the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy into Philippine National Maritime Academy (PNMA) to Meet the Strategic Needs of the Changing International and Domestic Maritime Industry and Address the Economic and National Maritime Defense Situation, and for Other Purposes (*Rep. R. Rodriguez*);
- 2. HB No. 8056** – An Act Declaring the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy as the National Maritime Academy, Expanding its Powers and Functions, and Appropriating Funds Therefor (*Rep. Cua*);

3. **HB No. 8489** - An Act Upgrading and Strengthening the Philippine Maritime Industry to Meet the Strategic Needs of the Changing International and Domestic Maritime Industry and Address the Economic and National Maritime Defense Situation, and for Other Purposes (*Rep. Gonzalez*); and
4. **HB No. 8589** - An Act Transforming the Philippine Merchant Marine Academy into the Philippine National Maritime Academy as the Primary Institution for the Basic and Continuing Higher Education and Training of Maritime Professionals and Leaders for National Development and Security, and for Other Purposes (*DS Macapagal-Arroyo*).

**VII. Continuation of Deliberation on House Resolution No. 767** – Resolution Calling for the Government to Improve Access to Tertiary Education and Reduce Attrition Rates Among Deserving and Financially Challenged Students by Increasing Budget Allocation for Scholarships, Among Other Interventions (*Rep. Ruiz-Daza*)

**VIII. Initial Deliberation on the Following Bills Establishing TESDA Training and Assessment Centers:**

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#### **IX. Other Matters**

#### **X. Adjournment**