

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

LEDAC Meeting
06 February 2001

Common Legislative Agenda

1. FY2001 General Appropriations Bill

- » Institute expenditure reduction measures
- » Review fund allocation schedule vis-à-vis the priority programs of line agencies
- ❖ Special appropriation for May 2001 elections was approved last week, enrollment of the copy is in progress

2. New ARMM Organic Act

- » Bicam Committee to consider draft harmonized version today, ratification expected this week

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Economic Reforms

3. Power Sector Reform Act

- » Bicam Report drafted, short-term fiscal implications for further study

4. New Central Bank Act

- » Senate: Approved on Third Reading
- » House: On Second Reading (*Period of Amendments*)

- ❖ with anti-money laundering provision which allows examination of all bank deposits amounting to at least P50 M suspected of irregularity

5. Amendments Omnibus Investments Code re: incentives to foreign investors

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: Favors flexible packaging of incentives

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Environmental Protection

6. Sustainable Forest Management Act

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: On Second Reading (*Period of Interpellation*)

7. National Land Use Act

- » House: For Second Reading
- » Senate: Pending in Committee

- ❖ May not pass this Congress due to lack of material time

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Social Safety Nets

8. Anti-Trafficking in Women and Minors

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: Pending in Committee

9. Anti-Child Employment in Hazardous Occupation

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: Pending in Committee

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WTO Commitments

10. Plant Variety Protection

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: On Second Reading (*Period of Interpellation*)

11. Protection for Integrated Circuits

Lay-out Designs

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: On Second Reading (*Period of Interpellation*)

12. Shift in Customs Valuation

- » House: Approved on Third Reading
- » Senate: For Second Reading

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Revenue Mobilization Measures

13. Lateral Attrition for Optimum Revenue Collection

- › House: Approved on Third Reading
- › Senate: On Second Reading

14. Upgrading the Court of Tax Appeals

- › House: Approved on Third Reading
- › Senate: Approved on Second Reading

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Revenue mobilization Measures

15. Tariff Rates Adjustments for Certain Tariff Headings

- › House: Approved on Third Reading
- › Senate: Pending in Committee

16. Deferment of VAT Imposition on Certain Services

- › Bicam Report ratified by both Chambers

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For consideration by the President

1. Strengthening the Philippine Science High School System
2. Special Appropriation for May 2001 Elections
3. Tax Exemption for AFP Personnel
4. Deferred VAT Imposition on Certain Services
5. Production Quality Excellence Incentives
6. Regulating the Practice of Landscape Architecture
7. Cash incentives to National Athletes

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Pending in Bicam Conference Committee Level

1. New Organic Act for ARMM
2. Fair Elections Act
3. Correction of Typographical Errors in Civil Registry
3. Defining the Crime of Forgery
4. Incentives to Recipients of Medal of Valor

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Bills in Advanced Stages

1. Concurrence to Amnesty Proclamation for MILF
2. Administrative Naturalization Act
3. Concurrence to the PNP Reorganization Plan
4. National Procurement Reform Act

END OF PRESENTATION

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