



# 19th Congress SENATE

### COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES

Pasay City

Joint with the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Science and Technology; and Finance

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

DATE :

08 January 2025

FOR :

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Please be informed that the **Committee on Public Services**, joint with the Committees on Public Information and Mass Media; Science and Technology; and Finance, will conduct a **Public Hearing** on **Wednesday**, **15 January 2025**, **10 a.m.**, at **Senator Tolentino Room**, **2nd Floor**, **Senate of the Philippines**, **Pasay City**.

The Committee will discuss the following:

- I. Telecommunications Policy of the Philippines Amendatory Bills
  - SBN 2074 AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, BY REQUIRING PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS TO INSTITUTE A REFUND MECHANISM FOR SERVICE OUTAGES AND DISRUPTIONS (Introduced by Sen. Jinggoy Estrada);
  - 2. **SBN 1898** AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A LIFELINE RATE FOR INTERNET SERVICES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 17 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES (*Introduced by Sen. Ramon Bong Revilla, Jr.*);
  - 3. **SBN 1539** AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES, BY REQUIRING PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS TO INSTITUTE A REFUND MECHANISM FOR SERVICE OUTAGES AND DISRUPTIONS (*Introduced by Sen. Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.*);
  - 4. SBN 1326 AN ACT IMPLEMENTING A LIFELINE RATE FOR INTERNET SERVICES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 17 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7925, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY ACT OF THE PHILIPPINES (Introduced by Sen. Imee R. Marcos);

#### II. Roll-Over Internet Data Bill

5. **SBN 1482** - AN ACT MANDATING AND INSTITUTIONALIZING ROLL-OVER DATA ALLOCATION SCHEME AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES (*Introduced by Sen. Ramon Bong Revilla Jr.*);

#### III. Better Internet Bills

- SBN 1381 AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS TO INCREASE SERVICE COVERAGE AND DELIVER A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED (*Introduced by Sen. Juan Miguel "Migz" Zubiri*);
- 7. **SBN 701** AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS IN THE COUNTRY TO INCREASE SERVICE COVERAGE AND DELIVER A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED (*Introduced by Sen. Bong Revilla Jr.*);
- 8. **SBN 386** AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS TO INCREASE SERVICE COVERAGE AND DELIVER A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED (*Introduced by Sen. Win Gatchalian*);
- SBN 329 AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS IN THE COUNTRY TO INCREASE SERVICE COVERAGE AND DELIVER A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED (Introduced by Sen. Grace Poe);
- 10. SBN 282 AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS IN THE COUNTRY TO INCREASE SERVICE

COVERAGE AND DELIVER A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR INTERNET CONNECTION SPEED (Introduced by Sen. Jinggoy Estrada);

- IV. Free Access to Government Websites Bills
  - 11. SBN 2676 AN ACT REQUIRING ALL PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS ENTITIES GRANTED WITH CONGRESSIONAL FRANCHISES TO PROVIDE THEIR SUBSCRIBERS WITH FREE ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT WEBSITES (Introduced by Sen. Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid);
  - 12. SBN 2490 AN ACT PROVIDING FREE ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT WEBSITES FROM TELECOMMUNICATION PROVIDERS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES (Introduced by Sen. Imee R. Marcos);
- V. Spectrum Use for Distance Learning and Research and Development Bill
  - 13. **SBN 2064** AN ACT FOR THE REALLOCATION OF UNUSED SPECTRUM FOR DISTANCE LEARNING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT, AND OTHER PURPOSES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR (*Introduced by Sen. Loren Legarda*); and
- VI. Cheaper and Accessible Internet For All Bill
  - 14. **HBN 10699** AN ACT PROVIDING FOR CHEAPER AND MORE ACCESSIBLE INTERNET FOR ALL (*Introduced by Representatives Paul Ruiz Daza, Arnolfo "Arnie" Jr. A. Teves, Harris Christopher M. Ongchuan, Tobias Reynald M. Tiangco, Manuel Jose "Mannix" M. Dalipe, et. al.*).

For your Honors' reference. Thank you.

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