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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11975

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31, 2024



FISCAL YEAR
2024

AGENDA FOR PROSPERITY
Securing a Future-Proof
and Sustainable Economy

I. CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES

A. SENATE

For general administration and support, and operations, including locally-funded project(s), as indicated hereunder P 13,008,421,000

New Appropriations, by Programs/Projects

	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
A. REGULAR PROGRAMS				
General Administration and Support	P 2,741,146,000	P 2,637,952,000	P 517,118,000	P 5,896,216,000
Operations	1,166,641,000	1,553,964,000	9,600,000	2,730,205,000
SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM	1,166,641,000	1,553,964,000	9,600,000	2,730,205,000
Total, Regular Program(s)	3,907,787,000	4,191,916,000	526,718,000	8,626,421,000
B. PROJECTS				
Locally-Funded Project(s)		32,000,000	4,350,000,000	4,382,000,000
Total, Project(s)		32,000,000	4,350,000,000	4,382,000,000
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	P 3,907,787,000	P 4,223,916,000	P 4,876,718,000	P 13,008,421,000

Special Provision(s)

1. **Second Congressional Commission on Education (EDCOM II).** The amount of Fifty Eight Million One Hundred Ninety Five Thousand Pesos (P58,195,000) appropriated herein under the General Administration and Support shall be exclusively utilized for the implementation of activities and operations of the EDCOM II pursuant to R.A. No. 11899.

2. **Appropriations for Activities or Projects.** The amounts appropriated herein shall be used specifically for the following activities or projects in the indicated amounts and conditions:

New Appropriations, by Programs/Activities/Projects

	Current Operating Expenditures			
	Personnel Services	Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	Capital Outlays	Total
REGULAR PROGRAMS				
General Administration and Support				
General Management and Supervision	P 2,373,413,000	P 2,637,952,000	P 517,118,000	P 5,529,011,000
Administration of Personnel Benefits	367,205,000			367,205,000
Sub-total, General Administration and Support	2,741,146,000	2,637,952,000	517,118,000	5,896,216,000

Operations

SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM	1,166,641,000	1,553,964,000	9,600,000	2,730,205,000
Legislation of Laws and Other Related Activities	1,166,641,000	1,553,964,000	9,600,000	2,730,205,000
Sub-total, Operations	1,166,641,000	1,553,964,000	9,600,000	2,730,205,000
Total, Regular Program(s)	3,907,787,000	4,191,916,000	526,718,000	8,626,421,000

PROJECTS

Locally-Funded Project(s)

Senate Relocation		32,000,000	4,350,000,000	4,382,000,000
Sub-total, Locally-Funded Project(s)		32,000,000	4,350,000,000	4,382,000,000
Total, Project(s)		32,000,000	4,350,000,000	4,382,000,000

TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS

P	3,907,787,000	P	4,223,916,000	P	4,876,718,000	P	13,008,421,000
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New Appropriations, by Object of Expenditures
(In Thousand Pesos)

Current Operating Expenditures

Personnel Services

Civilian Personnel

Permanent Positions

Basic Salary

1,503,024

Total Permanent Positions

1,503,024

Other Compensation Common to All

Personnel Economic Relief Allowance

46,680

Representation Allowance

31,350

Transportation Allowance

31,230

Clothing and Uniform Allowance

11,670

Honoraria

1,200

Mid-Year Bonus - Civilian

126,260

Year End Bonus

126,260

Cash Gift

9,725

Productivity Enhancement Incentive

9,640

Step Increment

3,758

Total Other Compensation Common to All

397,773

Other Compensation for Specific Groups

Lump-sum for filling of Positions - Civilian

330,458

Lump-sum for Personnel Services

1,513,388

Other Personnel Benefits

15,048

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Total Other Compensation for Specific Groups	1,863,894
Other Benefits	
PAG-IBIG Contributions	2,517
PhilHealth Contributions	29,043
Employees Compensation Insurance Premiums	2,313
Terminal Leave	36,747
Total Other Benefits	70,620
Non-Permanent Positions	72,476
Total Personnel Services	3,907,787
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	
Travelling Expenses	615,762
Training and Scholarship Expenses	15,200
Supplies and Materials Expenses	139,508
Utility Expenses	112,017
Communication Expenses	55,165
Extraordinary and Miscellaneous Expenses	456,362
Professional Services	338,617
General Services	87,425
Repairs and Maintenance	30,826
Taxes, Insurance Premiums and Other Fees	6,762
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	
Advertising Expenses	9,109
Printing and Publication Expenses	7,218
Representation Expenses	145,043
Transportation and Delivery Expenses	890
Rent/Lease Expenses	441,699
Membership Dues and Contributions to Organizations	1,961
Subscription Expenses	23,756
Other Maintenance and Operating Expenses	1,730,596
Total Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses	4,223,916
Total Current Operating Expenditures	8,131,703
Capital Outlays	
Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	
Land Outlay	209,760
Buildings and Other Structures	2,950,000
Machinery and Equipment Outlay	1,388,646
Transportation Equipment Outlay	26,252
Furniture, Fixtures and Books Outlay	170,190
Other Property, Plant and Equipment Outlay	66,194
Intangible Assets Outlay	63,676
Total Capital Outlays	4,876,718
TOTAL NEW APPROPRIATIONS	13,008,421

Special Provisions Applicable to the Congress of the Philippines

1. **Augmentation of Any Item in the Appropriations of the Congress of the Philippines.** Pursuant to Section 25(5) of Article VI of the Constitution, the Senate President, with respect to the Senate and the Speaker, with respect to the House of Representatives, are hereby authorized to augment any item in the general appropriations law for their respective offices from any savings in other items of their respective appropriations.

2. **Organizational Structure of the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals and the Commission on Appointments.** Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary and within the limits of the appropriations authorized in this Act, the Senate President, with respect to the Senate and the Commission on Appointments, the Speaker, with respect to the House of Representatives, and the Chairpersons of the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals are authorized to:

- (a) formulate and implement the organizational structures of their respective offices;
- (b) fix and determine the salaries, allowances and other benefits of their Members, employees and consultants, subject to Section 10, Article VI of the Constitution, and whenever public interest so requires, make adjustments and reorganization of positions in the regular personnel with the corresponding transfer of items of appropriations; and
- (c) create new positions in their respective offices.

Provided, That officers and employees whose positions are affected by such adjustments or reorganization shall be granted retirement gratuities and separation pay in accordance with existing laws, which shall be payable from any unexpended balance of, or savings in the appropriations of their respective offices: *Provided*, further, That the foregoing changes, reorganization and modifications shall be submitted to the DBM for proper documentation.

(GENERAL OBSERVATION- President's Veto Message, December 20, 2023, Volume I-B, page 785, R.A. No. 11975)

3. **Release of Appropriations.** All appropriations authorized for the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Commission on Appointments, the Senate and House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals shall be automatically and regularly released.

4. **Modification of Allocation for Operational Expenses.** Subject to the approval of the Senate President or the Speaker of the House of Representatives, as the case may be, a Member of Congress may modify his allocation for operational expenses to any other expense category: *Provided*, That the total of said allocation is not exceeded.

5. **Revolving Fund for the Reproduction of Legislative Records and Sale of Publications and Products.** The revolving fund constituted from the income derived from business-type activities of the Senate and the House of Representatives including sale of publications and other institutional products shall be used to cover the expenses incurred for the said activities in accordance with accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

6. **Availability of Appropriations and Cash Allocations.** Unexpended quarterly and year-end balances of approved appropriations and cash allocations for the Senate, the House of Representatives, the Senate and the House of Representatives Electoral Tribunals and the Commission on Appointments shall remain valid appropriations and shall continue to be available for expenditure until fully spent and shall remain under their control and accountability, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

(CONDITIONAL IMPLEMENTATION- President's Veto Message, December 20, 2023, Volume I-B, pages 784-785, R.A. No. 11975)

7. **Constitutional Guarantee.** In the implementation of the foregoing provisions, the constitutional guarantee of the independence of Congress as a co-equal branch of government must be maintained.