# Republic of the Philippines **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

Quezon City

#### COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

September 6, 2023 (Wednesday), 10:30 AM Andaya Hall, House of Representatives

# REGULAR COMMITTEE MEETING (Face-to-Face Meeting)

# **AGENDA**

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call/Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
- II. Acknowledgment of Members and Resource Persons
- III. Opening Remarks of the Chairperson Hon. Elpidio F. Barzaga Jr. 4<sup>th</sup> District Cavite

#### **PART I**

- IV. Consideration of Draft Substitute Bill for the Kalayaan Island Group and Scarborough Shoal Marine Protected Area Bills:
  - 1. House Bill No. 6373, entitled "An Act Declaring The Three (3) Nautical Miles Surrounding The Kalayaan Island Group And Scarborough Shoal In The West Philippine Sea As Marine Protected Area Under Republic Act No. 7586 Or The National Integrated Protected Areas System Act Of 1992, As Amended By Republic Act No. 11038, Or The Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System Act Of 2018", authored by Rep. Edward S. Hagedorn; and
  - 2. House Bill No. 8371, entitled "An Act Declaring The Three (3) Nautical Miles Surrounding The Kalayaan Island Group And Scarborough Shoal In The West Philippine Sea As Marine Protected Area Under Republic Act No. 7586 Or The National Integrated Protected Areas System Act Of 1992, As Amended By Republic Act No. 11038, Or The Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System Act Of 2018", authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez

# **PART II**

# V. Inquiries in Aid of Legislation

# 1. Continuation of the inquiry:

House Resolution No. 778, entitled "A Resolution Urging The House Committee On Natural Resources To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation, Into The Gaps And Inconsistencies Of Land Use And Environmental Management Laws And Subsequent Misuse And Abuse, Leading To Gross Soil, Water And Air Pollution In Forestlands, Watershed And Buffer Zones In The Municipality Of Palompon, Province of Leyte", authored by Rep. Richard I. Gomez, DPA

# 2. Initial consideration:

House Resolution No. 947, entitled "A Resolution Directing The Appropriate Committee/S Of The House Of Representatives To Conduct An Inquiry, In Aid Of Legislation And In The Exercise Of Its Legislative Powers And Oversight Functions, On The Implementation Of Executive Order No. 130 S. 2021 And Administrative Order No. 2021-25 Entitled "Amending Section 4 Of Executive Order No. 79, S. 2012, Institutionalizing And Implementing Reforms In The Philippine Mining Sector, Providing Policies And Guidelines To Ensure Environmental Protection And Responsible Mining In The Utilization Of Mineral Resources", authored by Rep. Rodante D. Marcoleta.

# V. Other Matters

# VI. Adjournment

# **Proposed Resource Persons**

- 1. Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR)
- 2. Forest Management Bureau (FMB)
- 3. Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB)
- 4. National Mapping and Resource Information Authority (NAMRIA)
- 5. Land Management Bureau (LMB)
- 6. Mines and Geosciences Bureau (MGB)
- 7. National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)
- 8. Department of National Defense (DND)
- 9. Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)
- 10. Concerned LGUs