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ATTY. JONAS R. LEONES, CESO I

Undersecretary for Policy, Planning, and International Affairs

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

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Quezon City

Dear Undersecretary Leones:

The Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives will be holding a face-to-face Committee Meeting on **2 August 2023 (Wednesday), 1:00 in the afternoon at Speaker Villar Hall, South Wing Annex, House of Representatives.**

In light of this, we would like to invite you or your authorized representative to attend the said meeting and shed light on the following:

National Bills

1. Magna Carta for Environment and Natural Resources Personnel
 - a. House Bill No. 823, entitled "An Act Providing For The Magna Carta For Environment And Natural Resources Personnel", authored by Rep. Michael L. Romero, Ph. D.; and
 - b. House Bill No. 2586, entitled "An Act Providing For A Magna Carta For Environmental And Natural Resources Personnel, Providing Funds Therefor, And For Other Purposes", authored by Rep. Edwin L. Olivarez
2. Modernization of the Land Management Bureau
House Bill No. 5155, entitled "An Act Providing For Modernization Funding For The Lands Management Bureau (LMB), To Augment Land Survey Standards And Guidelines, Expanding Its Powers And Functions, And For Other Purposes", authored by Rep. Michael L. Romero, Ph.D.

Local Bills

1. House Bill No. 4214, entitled "An Act Disestablishing The Lipatan-Liangan River Mangrove Swamp Forest Reserve As Protected Area, Amending For This Purpose Proclamation No. 2152 Series Of 1981", authored by Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo;
2. House Bill No. 4219, entitled "An Act Authorizing The Director Of The Land Management Bureau To Subdivide The Lands Within The Balo-I Airport Belonging To The Republic Of The Philippines And To Dispose Of The Same By Sale Or Transfer, Subject To Certain Conditions, And For Other Purposes", authored by Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo;

3. House Bill No. 4404, entitled “An Act Reclassifying And Converting Parcels Of Timberland Located In Barangays 1 And 2 (Poblacion), Bulawan, Caraycay, Libertad, Malobago, Maputi, San Roque, San Miguel In The Municipality Of Maslog And Small Portion In The Municipalities Of Arteche, Oras, And Dolores In The Province Of Eastern Samar, As Alienable And Disposable Lands”, authored by Rep. Maria Fe. R. Abunda;
4. House Bill No. 4419, entitled “An Act To Convert Barangay Itbud, Municipality Of Uyugan, Province Of Batanes, From Its Present Classification As National Park To An Alienable And Disposable Residential Land/Site”, authored by Rep. Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D.

We would like to request the submission of your **position paper** on the aforementioned measures, or a draft thereof, on or before **26 July 2023**, in order to give the Committee Members enough time to read through the materials. Attached herewith is a copy of the House Bills, for your kind reference.

For confirmation of attendance or further inquiries, the Committee may be reached at committee.naturalresources@house.gov.ph. We are looking forward to having a fruitful discussion with you on the said measures. Thank you very much!

Very truly yours,



HON. ELPIDIO F. BARZAGA JR.

Chairperson

Committee on Natural Resources