



DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Directors**
 Legal Affairs Service
 Policy and Planning Service
 Indigenous Peoples Concerns - Mindanao and Bangsamoro
 Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Affairs

The Bureau Directors
 Biodiversity Management Bureau
 Forest Management Bureau
 Land Management Bureau

The Administrator
 National Mapping and Resource Information Authority

All Regional Executive Directors

FROM : **The Director**
 Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO COMMITTEE HEARING ON HOUSE BILLS 531
AND 8657 OR THE PROPOSED "PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL
INDICATIONS ACT" AND THE DRAFT SUBSTITUTED BILL ON
THE PROPOSED "REVISED PROPERTY CODE OF THE
PHILIPPINES" FROM THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND
INDUSTRY OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

DATE : 09 November 2023

This refers to the letter received by our Office dated 04 November 2023, the Committee on Trade and Industry of the House of Representatives is inviting the Department to Committee meeting on **14 November 2023, Tuesday, at 09:30AM at Speaker Villar Hall, Ground Floor, South Wing Annex (SWA) Bldg., House of Representatives** to deliberate on the following legislative measures:

I. PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS ACT

- **HOUSE BILL NO. 531 - "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR PROTECTED GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS OF LOCALLY PRODUCED FOOD PRODUCTS, FOODSTUFF, HANDICRAFTS, WINES AND SPIRITS",** introduced by Rep. Geraldine B. Roman; and
- **HOUSE BILL NO. 8657 - "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PROTECTION OF GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS FOR AGRICULTURAL OR NATURAL (UNPROCESSED OR WILD) PRODUCTS, PROCESSED PRODUCTS, WINES AND SPIRITS, OR ANY PRODUCTS OF HANDICRAFT OR INDUSTRY",** introduced by Rep. Mario Vittorio "Marvey" A. Mariño.

II. REVISED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

- **HOUSE BILL NO. 799 - "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE REVISED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES"**, introduced by Rep. Joey S. Salceda;
- **HOUSE BILL NO. 888 - "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES', INCREASING ITS PENALTIES AND SANCTIONS, RATIONALIZING ITS POWERS AND FUNCTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"** introduced by Rep. Michael L. Romero;
- **HOUSE BILL NO. 2672 - "AN ACT AMENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES' AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"** introduced by Rep. Christopher V.P. De Venecia;
- **HOUSE BILL NO. 3838 - "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE REVISED INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES"** introduced by Rep. Lex Anthony Cris A. Colada; and
- **HOUSE BILL NO. 7028 - "AN ACT AMENDING XVII OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8293, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES, AS AMENDED"** introduced by Rep. Joey S. Salceda.

In this regard, may we respectfully request **comments/recommendations from your office on the abovementioned matter, in preparation for the Committee meeting**, as requested by the Committee. Kindly send them on or before **13 November 2023, at 5 PM** via email at denrlo@denr.gov.ph. Further, kindly inform us of the name/s of the representative/s from your office who will participate in the meeting so we may include him/her/them as resource person/s.

Attached herewith is the copy of the Letter Invitation, the draft Substitute bill and the House bills for your reference.

For information and appropriate action, please.


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