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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: The Director

Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT: INVITATION AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON BILLS ON

ECONOMIC ZONES FROM THE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC

AFFAIRS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DATE : 30 May 2023

In reference to the letter from the Committee on Economic Affairs on 25 May 2023 inviting the Department to a virtual meeting on 31 May 2023 (Wednesday), 10:00 A.M. via Zoom Video Conference Platform with Meeting ID: 915 3911 2793 and Passcode: 266286 for the initial deliberation of House Bill No. 2228 entitled: "An Act Establishing the Bulacan Airport City Special Economic Zone and Freeport, Province of Bulacan, and Appropriating Funds Therefor" introduced by Representative Joey Sarte Salceda, with Representatives Ambrosio C. Cruz, Jr.; Roy M. Loyola; Augustina Dominique "Ditse Tina" C. Pancho; Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica; Salvador A. Pleyto; Danny A. Domingo; Lorna C. Silverio; and Florida "Rida" P. Robes, as coauthors and the Consideration and Approval of the Proposed Substitute House Bills:

- a. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 98 on the proposed "Surigao City Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Robert Ace S. Barbers
- b. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 605 on the proposed "Bohol Island Special Economic Zone (BISEZ) Act", introduced by Representative Edgar M. Chatto
- c. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 1459 on the proposed "Cagayan de Oro Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez

- d. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 2378 on the proposed "Southern Leyte Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Luz V. Mercado
- e. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bills Numbered 3471 and 5737 on the proposed "Iligan Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representatives Celso G. Regencia, Yedda Marie K. Romualdez, and Jude A. Acidre
- f. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 3681 on the proposed "Camarines Sur Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representatives Luis Raymund "Lray" Villafuerte, Jr., Miguel Luis R. Villafuerte, Tsuyoshi Anthony Horibata and Nicolas C. Enciso VIII
- g. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 3696 on the proposed "Occidental Mindoro Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Leody F. Tarriela
- h. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 3748 on the proposed "Municipality of Sarangani Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Claude P. Bautista
- i. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 3855 on the proposed "Maguindanao and Cotabato City Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Bai Dimple I. Mastura
- j. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 5236 on the proposed "Misamis Occidental Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Sancho Fernando "Ando" F. Oaminal
- k. Unnumbered House Bill in substitution of House Bill No. 7032 on the proposed "Aklan Special Economic Zone Act", introduced by Representative Teodorico "Nonong" T. Haresco, Jr.

In this regard, may we **request your comments and recommendations** on the above-mentioned. Kindly submit it **on or before June 2, 2023**, **at 5 PM through email at <u>denrllo@denr.gov.ph</u>. 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 are the invitation letter, agenda, and a copy of House Bill No. 2228 for your reference. The Unnumbered House Bills will be forwarded once received by this office.



cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs