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House of Representatives

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 282



Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE JOSE "BONG" J. TEVES JR.

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE ALLEGED AIRING OF TV PATROL, A NATIONAL NEWS PROGRAM PRODUCED BY ABS-CBN BROADCASTING CORPORATION, WITH OTHER NETWORKS WHICH COULD CONSTITUTE VIOLATIONS OF THEIR LEGISLATIVE FRANCHISES

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Act No. 3846, as amended, entitled "An Act Providing for the Regulation of Radio Stations and Radio Communications in the Philippines and for Other Purposes" provides that no person, firm, company, association or corporation shall construct, install, establish or operate a radio transmitting station, or a radio receiving station used for commercial purposes, or a radio broadcasting station, which now includes television broadcasting systems, without having first obtained a franchise therefor from the Congress of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, ABS-CBN Broadcasting Corporation (ABS-CBN) is the producer of TV Patrol, a national news program which was previously ordered to cease and desist from broadcasting by the National Telecommunications Commission after ABS-CBN lost its franchise but finds ways to broadcast its programs by entering into agreements with other networks with legislative franchises;

WHEREAS, given the possible violations committed by these networks there is a need to determine whether their legislative franchises are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of Congress and whether or not they should be amended, altered or repealed by Congress in the interest of the public: Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, To direct the Committee on Legislative Franchises to conduct an inquiry, in aid of legislation, on the alleged airing of TV Patrol, a national news program produced by ABS-CBN Corporation, with other networks which could constitute violations of their legislative franchises.

Adopted,

JOSE "BONG" J. TEVES JR.