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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1054

Submitted by the Committee on Basic Education and Culture and Committee on Appropriations on June 13, 2021.

Re : House Bill No. 9607

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4479.

Sponsors : Reps. Romulo and E. Yap

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Basic Education and Culture and Committee on Appropriations to which was referred House Bill No. 4479, introduced by Rep. Gerardo "Gerryboy" J. Espina Jr., entitled:


AN ACT
DECLARING A CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM IN THE
PROVINCE OF BILIRAN AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

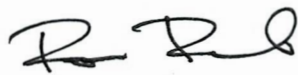
have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 9607, entitled:

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM IN THE
PROVINCE OF BILIRAN, TO BE KNOWN AS BILIRAN CULTURAL
CENTER AND MUSEUM, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 4479, with Reps. Espina, Romulo and E. Yap as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations


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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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(In substitution of House Bill No. 4479)

Introduced by Reps. Espina, Romulo and E. Yap

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BILIRAN, TO BE KNOWN AS BILIRAN CULTURAL CENTER AND MUSEUM,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the
Philippines in Congress assembled:*

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established in the Province of Biliran a cultural
2 center and museum to be known as Biliran Cultural Center and Museum, which
3 shall be under the supervision of the National Commission for Culture and the Arts
4 (NCCA).
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6 **SEC. 2.** The *Sangguniang Panlungsod* of the Province of Biliran, in
7 coordination with the NCCA, shall choose the site of the Biliran Cultural Center and
8 Museum.
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10 **SEC. 3.** For purposes of implementing its activities and functions, the Biliran
11 Cultural Center and Museum is hereby authorized to give emphasis to the following
12 undertakings:
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- 14 a. To compile the musical notes and lyrics of Biliran traditional songs,
15 ballads, and contemporary music compositions, and to collect samples of
16 musical instruments of Biliran origin, design and creation;
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18 b. To acquire and display a varied range of Biliran arts and artifacts;
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20 c. To publish and disseminate Biliran literary works, epics, stories and
21 historical accounts;
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23 d. To compile Biliran literature, film, or audio-visual recordings of cultural
24 performances in music, dances, oral literature, and festival celebrations;
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- 1 e. To compile Biliran works, names of barangays, towns and other places
2 of interests and their respective history;
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4 f. To gather and document Biliran religious practices and traditions, and the
5 background and origin of Biliran fiestas and festivals;
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7 g. To compile photographs of and showcase by appropriate exhibits, Biliran
8 landmarks, historical sites and scenic views;
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10 h. To gather specimens of archaeological findings, and to collect major
11 minerals present in Biliran, namely, gypsum, sulfur, and white clay and
12 such other geological materials unique to Biliran; and
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14 i. To preserve by appropriate methods samples of flora and fauna
15 indigenous to the Province of Biliran.
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17 **SEC. 4.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall
18 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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20 **SEC. 5.** Within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act, the NCCA
21 shall, in consultation with the *Sangguniang Panlungsod* of Biliran, Cultural Center
22 of the Philippines, and National Museum of the Philippines, formulate and issue the
23 rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.
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25 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
26 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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28 *Approved,*