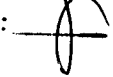




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**A RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE APPROPRIATE SENATE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, AS TO THE FAILURE OF THE POWER SECTOR ASSETS AND LIABILITIES MANAGEMENT (PSALM) CORPORATION TO REMIT DIVIDENDS DUE TO THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the Power Sector Assets and Liabilities Management (PSALM) Corporation is a government-owned and controlled corporation (GOCC) established under Republic Act No. 9136 or the Electric Power Industry Reform Act of 2001 (EPIRA) mandated to take ownership of all existing National Power Corporation (NPC) generation assets, liabilities, IPP contracts, real estate and all other disposable assets as well as to manage the orderly sale, disposition, and privatization of such NPC generation assets, real estate, and other disposable assets;

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 7656 or 'An Act Requiring Government-Owned Or -Controlled Corporations To Declare Dividends Under Certain Conditions To The National Government, And For Other Purposes' mandates all

GOCCs to declare and remit at least fifty percent (50%) of their annual net earnings as cash, stock, or property dividends to the Bureau of Treasury;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Audit (COA) found in its 2015 Annual Financial Report for GOCCs that there were several GOCCs with undeclared, unrecorded, or unremitted dividends amounting to a total of Sixty Seven Billion Seven Hundred Thirty Million (PhP67.73B);

**WHEREAS**, the PSALM Corporation ranks first among the GOCCs that failed to remit the appropriate amount of dividends to the National Government;

**WHEREAS**, the COA indicated in its 2015 Annual Audit Report of PSALM that from 2004 to 2014, the GOCC had net earnings subject to dividends of approximately Fifty Eight Billion and Seven Hundred Eighty Three Million Pesos (PhP58.783B) and should have remitted Fifty Percent (50%) of the said amount which is approximately Twenty Nine Billion Three Hundred Ninety Two Million Pesos (PhP29.392B) to the Bureau of Treasury, but actually paid only Two Billion One Hundred Thirteen Million Pesos (PhP2.113B) from 2004 to 2015;

**WHEREAS**, PSALM owes the National Government Twenty Seven Billion Twenty Eight Million Pesos (PhP27.28B) in dividends;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Senate of the Philippines, to direct the appropriate Senate Committee to conduct an investigation, in aid of legislation, as to failure of the PSALM Corporation to remit dividends amounting to a total of Twenty Seven Billion Twenty Eight Million Pesos (PhP27.28B) due to the National Government.

*Adopted,*



**WIN T. GATCHALIAN**