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Introduced by Senator Win Gatchalian

RESOLUTION
AMENDING SECTION 13 (6) RULE X OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE
IN VIEW OF THE EXPANSION OF THE JURISDICTION OF THE
COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, The Rules of the Senate under Section 13 (6) Rule X (The Committees) provides the following duties, powers and general jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs:

6) **Committee on Economic Affairs.** - Nine (9) members. All matters relating to economic planning and programming; the planning of domestic and foreign public indebtedness; general economic development; and coordination, regulation and diversification of industry and investments.

WHEREAS, the last clause of Sec. 13 (6) Rule X on the "xxx coordination, regulation and diversification of industry xxx" is hereby amended to read as "POLICIES ON the coordination, regulation and diversification of INDUSTRIES [**industry**]" in order to specifically delimit the jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs to policies involving the coordination, regulation, and diversification of such industries;

WHEREAS, the foregoing amendment will clearly delineate inter-committee jurisdictions by demarcating the jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs on matters pertaining to **policy** vis-à-vis the **operation** of such industries and/or the **implementation** of industry-specific legislations and regulations whose jurisdictions are well within the province of other Senate committees;

WHEREAS, the last clause of Sec. 13 (6) Rule X on "xxx and investments" is hereby amended to read as "xxx AS WELL AS DOMESTIC

and FOREIGN investments” for purposes of coherence with the second clause which has specifically spelled out the jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs with respect to the planning of both **domestic** and **foreign** public indebtedness;

WHEREAS, a new penultimate clause is added to Sec. 13 (6) Rule X which has the effect of expanding the subject matters falling under the jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs, specifically on “MATTERS RELATING TO THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL POLICIES ON COMPETITION AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP” covering areas of legislation that have been recently enacted by the State pursuant to pertinent constitutional and developmental goals for the national economy;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10667, otherwise known as the “Philippine Competition Act”, was enacted on July 21, 2015 pursuant to the following constitutional goals: more equitable distribution of opportunities, income, and wealth; sustained economic growth for the benefit of the people; and improved productivity to raise the quality of life for all;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 8, creating the Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) Center, was issued on September 9, 2010 in recognition of the indispensable role of the private sector as the main engine for economic growth and development, and the corresponding duty of the State to ensure that private investment is respected by providing it an enabling environment to participate in the government’s infrastructure projects and services;

WHEREAS, the present Rules of the Senate do not specifically state the committee which has jurisdiction over matters relating to the effective implementation of such national policies on competition and public-private partnership;

WHEREAS, these national policies on competition and public-private partnership were enacted and issued, respectively, to primarily spur economic growth and attain pertinent development goals for the national economy – matters that fall clearly and coherently within the ambit of the present jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved to amend Section 13 (6) Rule X of The Rules of the Senate by expanding the jurisdiction of the Committee on Economic Affairs to read as follows:

6) **Committee on Economic Affairs.** – Nine (9) members. All matters relating to economic planning and programming; the planning of domestic and foreign public indebtedness; POLICIES ON THE coordination, regulation and diversification of INDUSTRIES [**industry**], AS WELL AS DOMESTIC and FOREIGN investments; MATTERS RELATING TO THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF NATIONAL POLICIES ON

COMPETITION AND PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP; AND
general economic development.

Adopted,



WIN GATCHALIAN