



28 May 2019

Representative JESULITO A. MANALO
Chairperson
Committee on Overseas Workers Affairs
House of Representatives
Quezon City

Dear Representative Manalo,

The Department of Social Welfare and Development submits its comments on the following bills:

House Bill No. 8842, entitled: "An Act Facilitating the Global Employment of Filipinos."

On Section 5, the Department recommends to include a provision that would provide sufficient safeguards to ensure their protection and welfare. The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) has to strengthen its monitoring system of Filipinos working abroad.

On Section 7, include other stakeholders in the formulation of the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) like private recruitment agencies and the POEA.

House Bill No. 8672, entitled: "An Act Protecting Seafarers Who Suffer Serious Injury or Death, And Their Families."

On Section 2, include a provision to grant additional benefits and privileges like medical and livelihood to the seafarers who suffered from serious injury or death and educational assistance to their children.

Very truly yours,


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Secretary

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