

Profile of Sen. Paolo Benigno “Bam” Aquino IV

A world-renowned social entrepreneur turned senator, Senator Bam is a staunch advocate of empowering every Filipino family with education and entrepreneurship.

He is currently the deputy minority leader and Chairman of the Committee on Science and Technology of the 17th Congress of the Philippines.

In his first three years in the Senate, he passed 17 laws - many in support of small local businesses and youth empowerment.

His laws range from protecting children in disasters, mandating entrepreneurship and financial literacy training in our schools, and putting up support centers all over the country for Filipinos who wish to earn money through businesses – our Negosyo Centers.

He continues to support the growing network of over 450 Negosyo Centers so that every Filipino can get the support they need to start a business and have a stable source of income.

As former Chairman of the Committee on Education for the last 8 months, he co-authored and sponsored the Affordable Higher Education for All Act, which has now been passed on third reading at the Senate.

He has championed this bill to offer free tuition in all our state universities and colleges (SUCs), including our university, so that more Filipinos can earn a college degree and get better jobs.

He also co-authored the Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act, which passed the country’s first anti-political dynasty provision in our laws, to enjoin the youth to take part in nation-building through the government.

He truly believes that with the right support from government, every Filipino can make a better life for himself and his family.

Senator Bam continues to search for better ways to build a free and prosperous Philippines for all.