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Solon urges QC bets to undergo tests

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BARELY two weeks before the start of the filing of the certificates of candidacy on Oct. 1, District 2 Councilor Ranulfo Ludovica is battling the passage of his proposed resolution urging Quezon City residents who would join the 2025 national and local polls to go through a drug test.

“The proposal is on its first reading today (Monday). We aim to fast track its passage at the soonest possible time,” he told the Manila Standard in a text message.

“WHEREAS, the decades battle against illegal drug is not only a government concern but a collective effort as it wreaks havoc on the lives of many Filipino families and destroying the future of the Filipino youth,” the measure read.

Ludovica maintained public office is public trust, and if government employees, even private workers, police and military personnel are being required to undergo random and “suspicionless” drug testing to promote ethical standards, it is with more reason for all the candidates, who are soon to be civil servants and constitutionally mandated to be accountable at all times to the people, to undergo the same test.