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House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila



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House Bill No. 5236

Introduced by
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to modify the rank classification of the uniformed personnel of the Philippine National Police (PNP) as provided for in Section 28 of Republic Act No. 6975, also known as the 'Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990', by adopting the rank classification currently used in the military establishment.

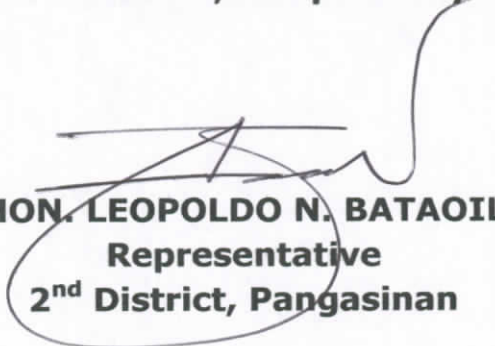
The rationale behind the proposal is to address the reported confusion by the public on the present rank classification of police officers with the use of such terms as 'superintendent' and 'inspector' borrowed primarily from Western and European jurisdictions. Despite the usage of such terms for the last 20 years, the public seems to have been more accustomed to the use of rank classification using military terminologies such as 'general', 'colonel' or 'sergeant' as previously utilized in the police force.

Moreover, the adoption of the military rank classification for the police force promotes a common understanding between and among the members and units of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and the Philippine National Police and would enhance their efficiency in inter-agency operations.

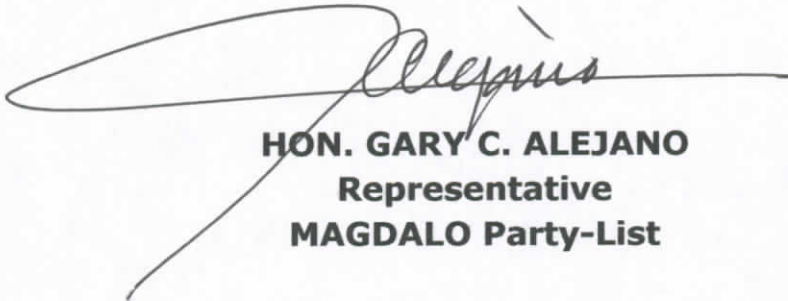
For the foregoing reasons, the immediate consideration and approval of this bill is earnestly urged.



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**AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE RANK CLASSIFICATION IN THE PHILIPPINE
NATIONAL POLICE, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 28 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6975, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'DEPARTMENT
OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT OF 1990', AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the
Republic of the Philippines in Congress assembled :*

SECTION 1. Section 28 of Republic Act No. 6975, otherwise known as
the 'Department of the Interior and Local Government Act of 1990' is hereby
amended to read as follows :

Section 28. Rank Classification – For purposes of **CLARITY OF COMMAND
AND RESPONSIBILITY, AND FOR THE EFFECTIVE AND** efficient
administration, supervision and control, the rank classification of the
UNIFORMED PERSONNEL [~~members~~] of the PNP shall be as follows :

~~[Director-General]~~ **POLICE GENERAL**
~~[Deputy-Director-General]~~ **POLICE LIEUTENANT GENERAL**
~~[Director]~~ **POLICE MAJOR GENERAL**
~~[Chief-Superintendent]~~ **POLICE BRIGADIER GENERAL**
~~[Senior-Superintendent]~~ **POLICE COLONEL**
~~[Superintendent]~~ **POLICE LIEUTENANT COLONEL**
~~[Chief-Inspector]~~ **POLICE MAJOR**
~~[Senior-Inspector]~~ **POLICE CAPTAIN**
~~[Inspector]~~ **POLICE LIEUTENANT**
~~[Senior-Police-Officer-IV]~~ **POLICE MASTER SERGEANT**
~~[Senior-Police-Officer-III]~~ **POLICE TECHNICAL SERGEANT**
~~[Senior-Police-Officer-II]~~ **POLICE STAFF SERGEANT**
~~[Senior-Police-Officer-I]~~ **POLICE SERGEANT**
~~[Police-Officer-III]~~ **POLICE CORPORAL**
~~[Police-Officer-II]~~ **PATROLMAN FIRST CLASS**
~~[Police-Officer-I]~~ **PATROLMAN**

SECTION 2. The remaining provisions of Republic Act No. 6975, as amended by Republic Act No. 8551, otherwise known as the 'Philippine National Police Reform and Reorganization Act of 1998', that have reference to the rank classification of the uniformed personnel of the Philippine National Police, and all other laws, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act shall be deemed modified or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 3. Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Chief of the Philippine National Police shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its full publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.