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**HOUSE BILL NO. 23**



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Introduced by **REP. EVELINA G. ESCUDERO**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Barangays, being the administrative division and local government units, are the forefront of government service. Given that barangays are more accessible and closer to homes and workplaces, the government claims the extension of service hours of these local government units and its officials, with the expectation of functioning above and beyond the normal services to the people.

The objective of this bill is to increase the benefits of barangay officials given that they will become more proactive during the twenty-four (24) hour work that they will be providing for the people.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**AMENDING PARAGRAPH (A), SECTION 393, CHAPTER IV, TITLE I, BOOK III OF**  
**REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AMENDED,**  
**INCREASING THE BENEFITS OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS**

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

**SECTION 1.** Paragraph (a), Section 393, Chapter IV, Title I, Book III of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

*“Section 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. -*

*(a) Barangay officials, including barangaytanods and members of the lupongtagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than [One thousand pesos (P1,000.00)] **TWENTY PERCENT (20%) ABOVE THE MINIMUM WAGE RATE PREVAILING IN THE REGION** per month for the punongbarangay and [Six hundred pesos (P600.00)] **THE MINIMUM WAGE RATE PREVAILING IN THE REGION** per month for the sangguniangbarangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary: Provided, however, That the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code;*

*xxx. ”*

**SEC. 2.** All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, proclamations and/or administrative regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended, modified, superseded or repealed accordingly.

**SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or at least three (3) newspapers of national circulation.

*Approved,*