Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Local Government to which were referred House Bill No. 41 introduced by Representative Jose Francisco "Kiko" B. Benitez, entitled:

"AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 43 (c) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

House Bill No. 89 introduced by Representatives Alfredo A. Garbin, Jr. and Elizaldy S. Co, entitled:

"AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS FROM THREE (3) YEARS TO FIVE (5) YEARS AND PROVIDING A SYSTEM FOR RECALL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 43 AND SECTION 74, RESPECTIVELY, OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"
House Bill No. 180 introduced by Representatives Horacio P. Suansing, Jr. and Estrellita B. Suansing, entitled:

"AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 43 (c) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

House Bill No. 650 introduced by Representative Joy Myra S. Tambunting, entitled:

"AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF ALL ELECTIVE BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) YEARS TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 43 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

House Bill No. 2176 introduced by Representative Precious Hipolito-Castelo, entitled:

"AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 THEREBY INCREASING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS BY ANOTHER TWO YEARS THEREBY MAKING FIVE (5) YEARS THEIR TERM OF OFFICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

and House Bill No. 3756 introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez, entitled:

"AN ACT
AMENDING SECTION 43 OF REPUBLIC ACT 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES BY INCREASING BY TWO YEARS THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS"

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 8825 entitled:

"AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AND PROVIDING FOR LIMITATIONS ON THEIR RECALL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 43 (c) AND 74 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"
be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 41, 89, 180, 650, 2176 and 3756 with Representatives Benitez, Garbin, Jr., Co (E), Suansing, Jr., Tambunting, Hipolito-Castelo, Rodriguez (R), Villanueva (N), Tejada, Dy V, Dimaporo, Plaza, Silverio, Fuentebella, Dalog, Jr., Angara, Barba, Teves, Jr. (J), Babasa, Jr., Garcia III, and Roman as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

[Signature]

NOEL L. VILLANUEVA
Chairperson
Committee on Local Government

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. 8825

Introduced by: Representatives Benitez, Garbin, Co (E), Suansing, Jr. (H), Suansing (E), Tambunting, Hipolito-Castelo, Rodriguez (R), Villanueva (N), Tejada, Dy V, Dimaporo, Plaza, Silverio, Fuentebella, Dalog, Jr., Angara, Barba, Teves, Jr. (J), Babasa, Jr., Garcia III, and Roman

AN ACT
CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AND PROVIDING FOR LIMITATIONS ON THEIR RECALL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 43 (c) AND 74 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

SECTION 1. Section 43 (c) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 43. Term of Office. – (a) The term of office of all elective officials after the effectivity of this Code shall be three (3) years, starting from noon of June 30, 1992 or such date as may be provided for by law, except that of elective barangay officials and members of the sangguniáng kabataan: Provided, That all local officials first elected during the local elections immediately following the ratification of the 1987 Constitution shall serve until noon of June 30, 1992.

(b) No local elective official shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive terms in the same position. Voluntary renunciation of the office for any length of time shall not be considered as an interruption in the continuity of service for the full term for which the elective official concerned was elected."
(c) The term of office of barangay officials and members of the sangguniang kabataan shall be for [three (3)] FIVE (5) years, which shall begin after the regular election of barangay officials on December 5, 2022: Provided, That the sangguniang kabataan members who were elected on the second Monday of May 2018 elections shall serve at the next regular elections of barangay officials: PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT THE NEXT REGULAR ELECTION OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS SHALL BE HELD ON THE SECOND MONDAY OF MAY 2027 AND EVERY FIVE (5) YEARS THEREAFTER."

SEC. 2. Section 74 (c) of the Local Government Code, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 74. Limitations on Recall. – (a) Any elective local official may be the subject of recall election only once during his term of office for loss of confidence.

(b) No recall shall take place within one (1) year from the date of the official's assumption to office or one (1) year immediately preceding a regular or local election.

(C) NO RECALL OF ANY ELECTIVE BARANGAY OFFICIAL SHALL TAKE PLACE WITHIN TWO (2) YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE OFFICIAL'S ASSUMPTION TO OFFICE OR TWO (2) YEARS IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING A REGULAR OR LOCAL ELECTION."

SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. Within ninety (90) days, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FACT SHEET

House Bill No. **8825**
(As approved by the Committee on December 10, 2019)

AN ACT CHANGING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FROM THREE (3) YEARS TO FIVE (5) YEARS, AND PROVIDING FOR LIMITATIONS ON THEIR RECALL AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 43 (C) AND 74 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991


*Committee Referral:* Local Government
*Committee Chairperson:* Rep. Noel L. Villanueva

**OBJECTIVES:**

- To better ensure that the programs of the barangays are carried out more effectively and efficiently.
- To ensure the effectiveness of youth representation and participation in local policymaking.

**KEY PROVISIONS:**

- Changes the term of office of barangay officials and members of the Sangguniang Kabataan from three (3) years to five (5) years;
- Provides that the term of office of barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials shall begin after the regular election of barangay officials on the first Monday of December 2022;
- Provides that the next regular election shall be held on the second Monday of May 2027 and every five (5) years thereafter;
- Provides that no recall of any elective barangay official shall take place within two (2) years from the date of official’s assumption to office or two (2) years immediately preceding a regular or local election.

**RELATED LAW:**

- Section 43 (c) and 74 of Republic Act no. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended