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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1183
Submitted by the Joint Committees on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms and Muslim Affairs and the Special Committee on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity on September 1, 2021

Re: House Bill No. 10121

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 8116, 8117, 8161, 8222 and 8277

Sponsors: Representatives Juliet Marie de Leon Ferrer, Ansaruddin Abdul Malik A. Adiong, Esmael G. Mangudadatu and Datu Roonie Q. Sinsuat, Sr.

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Suffrage and Electoral Reforms and Muslim Affairs and the Special Committee on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity to which was referred the following House Bills:

House Bill No. 8116 introduced by Rep. Loren Legarda, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT 11054, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 6734, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO’ AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 9054, ENTITLED “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AND FIXING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTION FOR THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT”


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House Bill No. 8161 introduced by Rep. Ferdinand Martin G. Romualdez, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT 11054, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 6734, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO’ AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 9054, ENTITLED “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AND FIXING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTION FOR THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT”

House Bill No. 8222 introduced by Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo, entitled:

“AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 13 ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT 11054, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 6734, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO’ AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 9054, ENTITLED “AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AND FIXING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTION FOR THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT”

and

House Bill No. 8277 introduced by Rep. Isidro T. Ungab, entitled:

“AN ACT RESETTING THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTIONS FOR THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT UNDER THE ORGANIC LAW, AMENDING SECTION 13 ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT 11054, ENTITLED “AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 6734 ENTITLED AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ORGANIC LAW OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 9054 ENTITLED AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO AND FIXING
FOR THIS PURPOSE THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTION FOR THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 10121, entitled:

“AN ACT RESETTING THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTIONS IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO. AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE, SECTION 13 ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11054, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO,”


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AN ACT

RESETTING THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTIONS IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE, SECTION 13, ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11054, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO”

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:
SECTION 1. Section 13, Article XVI of Republic Act No. 1104, otherwise known as “Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao” is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 13. First Regular Election. – The first regular election for the Bangsamoro Government under this Organic Law shall be held and synchronized with the [2022] 2025 national elections. The Commission on Elections, through the Bangsamoro Electoral Office, shall promulgate rules and regulations for the conduct of the elections, enforce and administer them pursuant to national laws, this Organic Law and the Bangsamoro Election Code.”

SEC. 2. Upon the expiration of the terms of the incumbent members of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA), the President shall appoint the eighty (80) members of the said BTA who shall serve up to June 30, 2025 or until their successors shall have been elected.

SEC. 3. If any of the provisions of this Act is held unconstitutional, provisions not affected shall remain valid and binding.

SEC. 4. All laws, decrees, and all other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.
SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
HOUSE BILL NO. 10121
(In substitution of House Bills Numbered 8116, 8117, 8161, 8222, and 8277)

“AN ACT
RESETTING THE FIRST REGULAR ELECTIONS IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE, SECTION 13, ARTICLE XVI OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11054, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO”


Committee Referral: COMMITTEE ON SUFFRAGE AND ELECTORAL REFORMS, COMMITTEE ON MUSLIM AFFAIRS, AND SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACE, RECONCILIATION AND UNITY

Committee Chairpersons: REP. JULIET MARIE DE LEON FERRER, REP. ANSARUDDIN ABDUL MALIK A. ADIONG, AND REP. ESMAEL “TOTO” G. MANGUDADATU

OBJECTIVES:

● To postpone the first regular elections of the Bangsamoro Government in 2022 to 2025 to allow them to attend to more urgent needs of the Bangsamoro people, and giving them more time to strengthen its foundations for a stronger regional government and economy

● To allow the national government and the MILF and MILF to lay better and sturdier foundations and successfully translate the efforts on the gains from the peace agreement into lasting and sustainable peace not only in Mindanao but for the whole Philippines

KEY PROVISIONS:
● Provides that the first regular election for the BARMM originally scheduled to coincide with the 2022 national elections be moved to 2025 national elections

● Provides that the President appoint eighty (80) members of the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) who shall serve up to June 30, 2025 when the incumbent members’ terms expire on June 30, 2022

RELATED LAW:

● Republic Act 11054