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HOUSE BILL NO. 1353



Introduced by Rep. Precious Hipolito Castelo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

A community that cares for its elderly is one that is dynamic and abounding in blessings inasmuch as it has found favor from the Providence who mandates for every one to "stand up before the gray head and honor the face of an old man." It sure is wise to give back to the ones who have offered so much and dedicated their lives' work not only for the benefit of their loved ones, but practically, for the general welfare of the community.

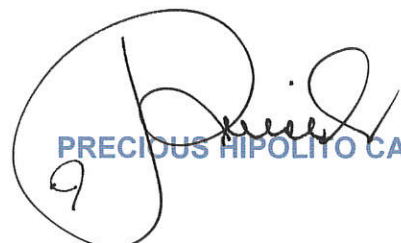
Fact is, senior citizens, despite their infirmity and limitations, continue to exert effort in order to continue to support themselves and their families. In an ideal setting, the elderly should reap the fruits of their labor and the state should effectively look after their physical, social and economic welfare. They should no longer be compelled to eke out a living as they have gone the whole nine yards in their heyday and they should be entitled to some token honoring their hard work and industry.

Unfortunately, existing laws have not amply addressed the various needs of senior citizens.

It is for this reason that a funding allocation of 1% from the budget of the barangay is being sought in favor of the indigent senior citizens.

Hence, under this bill, every indigent elderly, 60 years old and above should be a beneficiary of the budget allocation intended for indigent senior citizens.

The immediate passage of this measure is sought.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET ALLOCATION OF ONE (1) PERCENT FROM THE BUDGET
OF BARANGAY AS FINANCIAL AID TO INDIGENT SENIOR CITIZENS

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "*Barangay Financial Aid to Indigent Senior Citizens Act.*"

SEC. 2. Under this Act, every indigent senior citizen is hereby entitled to Barangay financial aid.

SEC. 3. Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, The Quezon City Government shall issue appropriate rules and regulations to effectively carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 4. All issuances, laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof not consistent with this Act are hereby repealed accordingly.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,