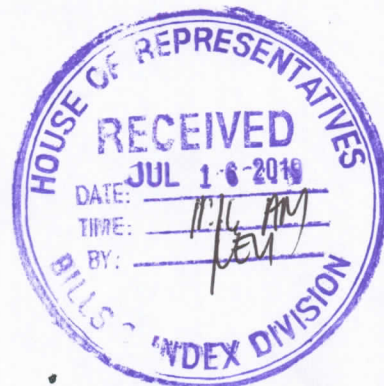


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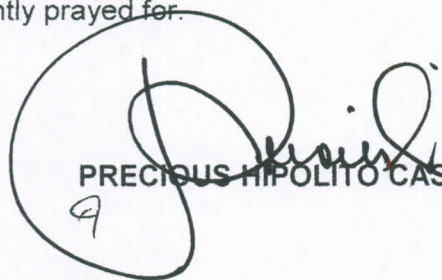
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Basic social and government services depend largely on the role of barangay officials who are at the forefront of public service and their time, energy, and resources are channelled to resolve the everyday concerns of barangay folks. Said officials dedicate their life's work to ensure that all those who walk into their offices to bring before them their domestic and social issues are well attended to. They are the bridges that gap household and neighborhood misunderstandings. They make possible the amicable settlement of community members having disputes with one another. They cheer up and bring comfort to those afflicted by misfortunes.

The bill is underpinned by the fact that there are opportunity costs when barangay officials perform their duties and responsibilities that go beyond the call of their duties in order to bring to their constituents the highest form of service that they call for.

An increase on the allowance of barangay officials would just be a small gesture on the part of the government to recognize their essential role as agents of government to effect national development.

The immediate passage of this bill is most fervently prayed for.


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AN ACT

MANDATING AN INCREASE ON THE ALLOWANCE OF ALL BARANGAY LUPON, BSDO, AND BARANGAY STAFF WHO HAVE SERVED FOR ONE (1) TERM, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be provided an increase on allowance of all barangay lupon, BSDO, and barangay staff who have served for one (1) term.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the annual budget of the local government unit concerned.

SEC. 3. The rate of the increase as to be equitable shall be determined by the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).

SEC. 4. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to diminish, in any manner, any benefit granted by existing laws, rules and regulations, local ordinances and other issuances especially favourable to barangay lupon, BSDO, and barangay staff.

SEC. 5. Within six (6) months from the approval of this Act, the DILG shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation which comes earlier.

Approved,