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## **ABSTRACT**

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### Summary

This study aimed to determine the implementation of no smoking ordinance in Dumingag, Zamboanga del Sur using the mixed-method of research. It focused on the extent of implementation of the no smoking ordinance as perceived by the three groups of participants; problems encountered in the implementation of the ordinance; suggested solutions to the problems encountered in the implementation of the ordinance; and significance of the difference among the perceptions of the three groups of participants on the implementation of the no smoking ordinance.

The study made use of formulated guide questions during the conduct of interview and a questionnaire-checklist to gather the rest of the needed data.

The study found out that Dumingagnons have learnt to become responsible citizens, which resulted in major changes in their behaviors leading them to form the habit of making a smoke-free municipality. This proves that the Local Ordinance No.3, s. 2004 of Dumingag is implemented to a great extent.

A number of problems were encountered in the implementation of the "No Smoking Ordinance" like, residents still smoke in their residential places, lack of available resource to detect violators of the ordinance and lack of personnel that will man the implementation of ordinance. However, empowering citizens to participate in the implementation of the no smoking ordinance thru volunteerism, encouraging the cooperation of barangay officials and the community to report violators of the ordinance and maintaining a strict implementation of No Smoking Ordinance can help solve the problems encountered.

Five common themes were apparent from the responses of participants which include: healthy lifestyle; the cleanliness; financial stability; respect, courtesy and obedience; and good leadership and governance.

Furthermore, a significant difference exists among the participants' perceptions on the extent of implementation of No Smoking Ordinance.

Finally, The study hereby offer the following recommendations: that the Local Government Unit encourage the cooperation of barangay officials and the community to report violators of the ordinance; that the Local Government Unit provide incentives to officers who render duties in the implementation of no smoking ordinance; that the constituents and nearby municipalities may adapt the suggested solutions formulated by the researchers; and that a similar study be conducted using other related variables to the current study.