

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

**EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS**  
First Regular Session  
**HOUSE BILL NO. 3035**



**Introduced by Hon. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE:**

As a manifestation of support to this timely piece of legislation, this representation respectfully refiles this bill, which has constantly been receiving support from the past and present (Rep. Castelo's HB7372 ) congress.

Informal settlements in Metro Manila have existed for a long time. Various local government units have exhausted several measures to address this problem through relocation. That measure did not suffice in alleviating the poor living conditions experienced by informal settlement families (ISFs). For some, it further exacerbated the situation of various ISFs by relocating them to far communities that entail them to spend more on public transportation in order reach their current workplace or relocating their domicile to hazardous areas.

The intention of the Rental Subsidy Program is to grant ISFs financial assistance in order to immediately urge them to relocate to a safer domicile and merge with the mainstream populace of the city. The said program also aims to elicit growth in local economy and urban planning for the housing business will be more lucrative. The measure can readily be implemented for the DSWD has already provided financial assistance amounting to P8.5M to 485 ISFs from Cavite, Laguna, Pandi, Bulacan, Pasay City, and Tondo, Manila back in 2016.<sup>1</sup> The role of the government will be to lay out a clear cut policy on the delineation and extent of the subsidy to effect an equitable rental assistance.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

  
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68 **AN ACT ESTABLISHING A RENTAL SUBSIDY PROGRAM FOR**  
69 **INFORMAL SETTLER FAMILIES (ISF) IN METRO MANILA AND**  
70 **APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**  
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72 *Be it enacted in the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Republic*  
73 *of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*  
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75 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Rental Subsidy Program for ISF  
76 in Metro Manila Act."  
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78 SEC 2. A Rental Subsidy Program for Informal Settler Families (ISF) in Metro  
79 Manila shall hereby be established with the end in view of enabling them to  
80 lead decent lives and integrating them to mainstream society.  
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82 SEC. 3. To fully implement the provisions of this Act, the National Housing  
83 Authority (NHA), in close coordination with the Department of Social Welfare  
84 and Development (DSWD), shall issue rules, regulations, guidelines  
85 necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Act.  
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87 SEC. 4. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act  
88 shall be charged against the appropriations for the National Housing  
89 Authority under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such  
90 amount as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be  
91 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.  
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93 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in  
94 the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.  
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96 *Approved,*  
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