Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Bill No. 1052



Introduced by Honorable Dahlia A. Loyola

EXPLANATORY NOTE

From the time of its creation and inclusion into the local government units, barangay captains have become more active in community governance and public service.

Through various enactments, barangay captains have been obliged to take various responsibilities which includes, among others, keeping of the peace through organization of foot patrols; arbitrating differences between community members, assisting in the conduct of elections, and most recently, assisting in the evacuation of communities in disaster areas caused by natural calamity or war.

In these instances, it is not uncommon for barangay captains to literally be in the front of the firing line. In fact, several barangay captains have lost their lives in the service of the communities against criminals and the call of duty.

Most often, barangay captains assume these responsibilities with little compensation. Moreover, the danger associated with these functions puts them in the higher risk in terms of insurance coverage. More importantly, the present insurance coverage pursuant to Republic Act. No. 8291 (An Act Amending PD 1146 as amended, expanding and increasing the coverage and benefits of GSIS, instituting reforms therein, and for other purposes) covering all

government officials is inadequate with regard to the payment of medical, death and burial expenses.

Hence, this bill seeks to provide additional insurance benefits to barangay captains over and above what they are currently receiving under the GSIS in recognition of their contribution to the community and as an encouragement for them to honestly continue their public service.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT GRANTING ADDITIONAL INSURANCE BENEFITS TO BARANGAY CAPTAINS, PROVIDING FUNDS FOR THE PAYMENT OF ITS PREMIUMS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1	SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE This Act shall be known as the	
2	"Additional Barangay Captains' Insurance Act of 2019".	
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5	SECTION 2. ADDITIONAL INSURAI	NCE FOR BARANGAY
6	CAPTAINS - In addition to the insura	ance benefits given to the
7	Barangay Captains by the Government Se	rvice Insurance System
8	(GSIS) under Republic Act No. 8291, a term	insurance coverage to all
9	barangay captains providing the following ben	efits shall be granted:
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12 13 14	1. Death Benefits	P200,000.00
15 16 17	(a) due to assassination or ambush(b) due to accidents and other similar circumstances while in the discharge of their official functions	
18 19 20 21	2. Burial Expenses	P 50,000.00

22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	3. Reimbursement of Actual Medical Expenses not to exceed on ambushes, attempted assassinations not resulting in death, accidents and other similar circumstances while in the discharge of their official functions. SECTION 3. DISQUALIFICATION FROM BENEFITS No.	
32	benefits shall be given to any barangay captain or his beneficiaries	
33	when the injury, sickness or death was occasioned or caused by any of	
34	the following:	
35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	 (a) habitual drunkenness or intoxication; (b) willful intention to injure or kill oneself; (c) notorious negligence; (d) unauthorized absence or abandonment of office for at least 15 one (1) month prior to death or accident. SECTION 4. ACTUARIAL STUDY The GSIS shall, within	
45	sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, conduct an actuarial study	
46	to determine the premiums to be paid corresponding to the benefits to	
47	be received by the barangay captains in accordance with the schedule	
48	provided in Section 2.	
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51	SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION The National Government	
52	shall appropriate annually and include in the General Appropriations	
53	Act an amount corresponding to the total annual insurance premiums	
54	of the barangay captains based on the actuarial study under Section 4	
55	hereof.	
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58	SECTION 6. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS	
59	The GSIS, in coordination with the Department of Interior and Local	
60	Government (DILG), shall promulgate the rules and regulations	
61	necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.	

62	SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE - If for any reason any	
63	provision or section of this Act is declared unconstitutional, such	
64	portions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.	
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67	SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE All laws, decrees,	
68	executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions	
69	of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.	
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72	SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY This Act shall take effect fifteen	
73	(15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at	
74	least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.	

Approved,