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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Our barangay workers are always on the frontline of government services at the grassroots level. It is through their valiant efforts that our immediate concerns are addressed. They bridge the gap in the public's availment of assistance offered by the national government.

Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that barangay officials, including barangay tanods and members of the lupong tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria and allowances. However, with the present income and expenditure indicators, the emoluments stipulated under LGC are insufficient to cover their current expenses.

Barangay officers and employees are the primary workers of the central government in each barangay. They have the mandate to ensure the safety and security of their constituents. Many of them are working, even on wee hours of the night just to faithfully discharge the duties and responsibilities assigned to them.

Hence, this representation is seeking for the amendment of the LGC to give due recognition to our front players in strengthening the pillars of community development.

I call on for the unwavering support of my colleagues of the 18th Congress to shepherd the immediate passage of this bill.


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AN ACT PROVIDING ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS, AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS, A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. – (a) Barangay officials, including barangay tanods and members of the lupong tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than One thousand pesos (P1,000.00) per month for the punong barangay and Six hundred pesos (P600.00) per month for the sangguniang barangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary: Provided, however, That the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code.

"(b) x x x

"(1) x x x

"(2) x x x

"(3) BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED ONE HUNDRED

THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) TO BE TAKEN FROM THE BARANGAY RETIREMENT FUND: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A RETIREE IS AT LEAST SIXTY (60) YEARS OF AGE WITH A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) YEARS IN SERVICE AT THE TIME OF THE RETIREMENT.

“AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERM ‘RETIREE’ SHALL INCLUDE ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS, AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS.

“[(3)](4)x x x

“[(4)](5)x x x

“[(5)](6)x x x

“(c)x x x

“(d) x x x.”

SEC. 2. Creation of Barangay Retirement Fund. – There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement Fund (BRF) which shall be used to fund the retirement of barangay officials mentioned in this Act. The amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the share of the national government under Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, shall be used for this purpose.

The Secretary of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall administer and ensure the appropriate disbursement of the Fund.

SEC. 3. Implementation. – The Department of Budget and Management, in coordination with the DILG, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,