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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Being a teacher is one of the most challenging professions one could go into. It takes more than just knowledge and expertise but also time, passion, and dedication. Teachers and educators are already laudable in the efforts they show inside the classrooms; but even more awe-inspiring are the teachers who choose to stay in far-flung villages in the name of education.

This Act seeks to provide teachers who work in far-flung areas all over the country with a "hardship allowance" that would provide measures to ensure their safety while assigned to those areas.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**GRANTING HARDSHIP ALLOWANCE TO TEACHERS ASSIGNED IN REMOTE**  
**AREAS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MEASURES FOR THEIR PROTECTION**

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. This Act shall be known as the "Teachers for the Barrios Act"

SEC. 2. a) All teachers assigned to far-flung areas shall be entitled to a monthly hardship allowance equivalent to double the total expenses that said teacher will incur every month in additional public transportation from the nearest capital town or urban center of the school where he/she is assigned, assuming that said teacher will go back and forth to said school daily.

b) For this purpose, Section 19 of Republic Act 4670 "Magna Carta for Public School Teachers" is hereby amended to include teachers assigned to far-flung areas or barrios as recipients of such hardship allowance.

SEC. 3. In the event teachers assigned to far-flung areas would need to stay in a temporary house in the locality where they are teaching, the Barangay Captain of the said locality is hereby mandated to secure a suitable and safe housing for said teachers.

SEC. 4. The Department of Education (DepEd), in collaboration with the Department of Interior and Local Government, shall issue the implementing rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. The funds necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 6. All laws, orders, issuance rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.