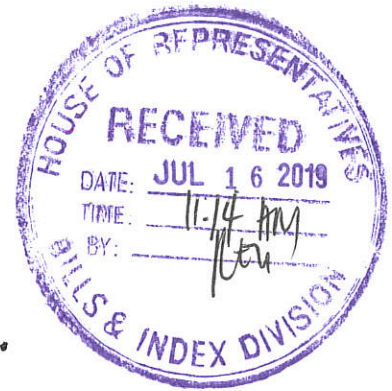


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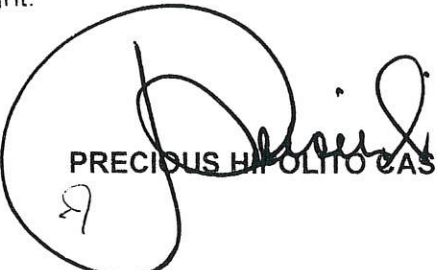
**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

It is the intention of this measure to commensurately reward the services of barangay officials especially the barangay tanods as they discharge their duties and responsibilities as "frontliners" in their respective communities. To this end, they shall be given additional financial assistance and similar other benefits.

Truth to tell, barangay tanods do not receive any compensation for the services they extend with dedication and zeal to the people of the barangay except mere insurance benefits. Similarly, barangay officials receive only a meager allowance of P1,000 as provided for under R.A. 7160 to support their needs.

Altruistically, these barangay officials and barangay tanods perform their tasks whether or not they get allowances. Therefore, it is only fitting and proper that they – barangay officials and barangay tanods – be given additional benefits and incentives.

Approval of this measure is thus most urgently sought.

  
**PRECIOUS HIPOOLITO CASTELO**

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**AN ACT**  
**INCREASING THE ALLOWANCES OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS, GRANTING**  
**HONORARIA AND OTHER BENEFITS TO BARANGAY TANODS AND PROVIDING**  
**FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT**  
**CODE OF 1991**

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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of the Republic Act numbered Seventy-One Hundred Sixty is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials – (a) Barangay officials, including barangay tanods and members of 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)] **THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (P3,500)** per month for the punong barangay and [Six hundred pesos (P600)] **TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (P2,500)** per month for the sangguniang barangay members, barangay treasurer, [and] barangay secretary, **AND BARANGAY TANODS**: 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). The Punong Barangay, the sangguniang barangay members, the barangay treasurer, [and] the barangay secretary, **AND THE BARANGAY TANODS** shall also:  
"XXX,

"[(d). All duly appointed members of the barangay tanod brigades, or their equivalent, which shall number not more than twenty (2) in each barangay, shall be granted insurance or other benefits during their incumbency, chargeable to the barangay or city or municipal government to which the barangay belongs.]"

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for the continuous implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual budget of the city or municipality concerned.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Basic social and government services depend largely on the role of barangay officials who are at the forefront of public service and their time, energy, and resources are channelled to resolve the everyday concerns of barangay folks. Said officials dedicate their life's work to ensure that all those who walk into their offices to bring before them their domestic and social issues are well attended to. They are the bridges that gap household and neighborhood misunderstandings. They make possible the amicable settlement of community members having disputes with one another. They cheer up and bring comfort to those afflicted by misfortunes.

The bill is underpinned by the fact that there are opportunity costs when barangay officials perform their duties and responsibilities that go beyond the call of their duties in order to bring to their constituents the highest form of service that they call for.

An increase on the allowance of barangay officials would just be a small gesture on the part of the government to recognize their essential role as agents of government to effect national development.

The immediate passage of this bill is most fervently prayed for.

  
PRECIOUS HIPOLITO CASTELO

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**AN ACT**  
**MANDATING AN INCREASE ON THE ALLOWANCE OF ALL BARANGAY LUPON,**  
**BSDO, AND BARANGAY STAFF WHO HAVE SERVED FOR ONE (1) TERM,**  
**APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be provided an increase on allowance of all barangay lupon, BSDO, and barangay staff who have served for one (1) term.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included in the annual budget of the local government unit concerned.

SEC. 3. The rate of the increase as to be equitable shall be determined by the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG).

SEC. 4. Nothing in this Act shall be construed as to diminish, in any manner, any benefit granted by existing laws, rules and regulations, local ordinances and other issuances especially favourable to barangay lupon, BSDO, and barangay staff.

SEC. 5. Within six (6) months from the approval of this Act, the DILG shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation which comes earlier.

*Approved,*