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Introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez

House Bill No. 2768

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was originally introduced as House Bill No. 1853 during the Fourteenth Congress where it was approved by the House of Representatives and transmitted to the Senate. It was re-filed during the 15th Congress as House Bill No. 586 where it was again approved by the Committee on Local Government and substituted by House Bill No. 4410, approved on 2nd reading, approved on 3rd reading and was transmitted to the Senate where it was not acted upon. It was again re-filed during the 16th Congress and the 17th Congress.

Consistent with the promotion and enhancement of local financial autonomy, this bill seeks to amend Section 290 and 291 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code.

As proposed, the share of the local government units is increased to sixty percent (60%) of the gross collection derived by the national government in the preceding fiscal year from mining taxes, royalties, forestry and fishery charges, and such other taxes, fees, or charges, including related surcharges, interests, or fines, and from its share in any coproduction, joint venture or production sharing agreement in the utilization and development of the national wealth within their territorial jurisdiction.

Under this legislative proposal, the share of the local government units from the use of national wealth, and from any government agency, or —owned and —controlled corporation shall be remitted to them within ten (10) days after the end of every quarter during the current fiscal year.

This is just one of the measures that seek to broaden the local fiscal resource generation. Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR THE DIRECT REMITTANCE TO THE HOST LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF ITS FORTY PERCENT (40%) SHARE OF THE PROCEEDS DERIVED FROM THE UTILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL WEALTH, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 293 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 293 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", is hereby amended to read as follows: Local

"SEC. 293. Remittance of the Share Government Units. - The share of local government units from the utilization and development of national wealth shall be remitted in accordance with Section 286 of this Code: Provided, however, That ANY PERSON, NATURAL OR JURIDICAL, INCLUDING [in the case of any] government agency or government-owned or -controlled corporation engaged in the utilization and development of the national wealth, [such share] shall [be] directly remit[ted] to the provincial, city, municipal or barangay treasurer, OF THE HOST LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT concerned ITS FORTY PERCENT (40%) SHARE DERIVED FROM NATIONAL WEALTH TAXES UNDER SECTION 290 OF THIS CODE AND THE REMAINING SIXTY PERCENT (60%) TO THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT [within five (5) days after the end of each quarter]."

SEC. 2. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,