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HOUSE BILL NO. \_\_\_\_\_

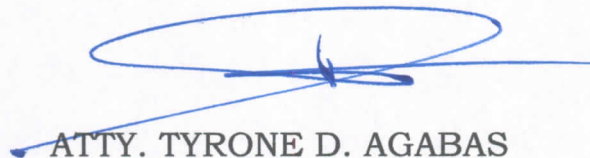
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Introduced by Representative **TYRONE D AGABAS**  
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill which seeks to increase from Ten (10) to Fifteen (15) percent the annual recruitment, training, and education for women in the Philippine National Police has already been approved by the House of Representatives on its 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading in the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress. On account of the importance of female officers in the enforcement of laws, this bill is being filed.

Section 58 of Republic Act 8551 allocates a Ten (10) percent reservation quota for women who shall serve in the women's desk. This provision has for its purpose the establishment of Women's Desk and Child Protection in all police stations in the country. The increasing number of child abuse cases especially on women is an alarming indication of the need to equate its increase with the proportionate number of women in the police force. Crimes against chastity and honor are delicate and gender sensitive. They are, at best, taken care of by police women. Currently, women police desks in the country are undermanned.

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

  
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HOUSE BILL NO. 3851

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**AN ACT**

**INCREASING THE RECRUITMENT QUOTA REQUIREMENT OF FEMALE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE (PNP) OFFICERS, AMENDING SECTION 58 OF REPUBLIC ACT 8551, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE REFORM AND REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1998"**

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

1       SECTION 1. Section 58 of the Republic Act No. 8551, otherwise known as  
2       the "Philippine National Police Reform and Reorganization Act of 1998", is  
3       hereby amended to read as follows:

4               "SEC. 58 Prioritization of Women for  
5       Recruitment. – Within the next five (5) years, the PNP  
6       shall prioritize the recruitment and the training of  
7       women who shall serve in the women's desk. Pursuant  
8       to this requirement, the PNP shall reserve **[ten]**  
9       **FIFTEEN percent [(10%)] (15%) of its annual**  
10      **recruitment, training, and education quota for**  
11      **women [.]**; **PROVIDED, THAT THE RECRUITMENT**  
12      **QUOTA FOR WOMEN SHALL BE INCREASED TO**  
13      **TWENTY PERCENT (20%) THEREAFTER."**

14      SEC. 2. The National Police Commission, in coordination with the  
15      Philippine National Police and the Department of the Interior and Local  
16      Government, shall promulgate rules and regulations for the effective  
17      implementation of this Act. Such rules and regulations shall take effect  
18      upon their publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

19      SEC. 3. All laws, presidential decrees, letters of instruction, executive  
20      orders, rules and regulations in so far as they are inconsistent with this Act,  
21      are hereby repealed or amended, as the case may be.

22 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication  
23 in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

24 Approved,