

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
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House Bill No. 3152



Introduced by **MAGDALO Party-List Representative**  
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**Explanatory Note**

Article XVI, Section 7 of the Constitution declares that, "The State shall provide immediate and adequate care, benefits, and other forms of assistance to war veterans and veterans of military campaigns, their surviving spouses and orphans."

To further affirm the provision of the Constitution and to provide relief with the rising cost of basic necessities, and the mounting medical expenses our war veterans deal with on a regular basis due to their degenerating health conditions, an upgrade to the pension due our war veterans is sincerely needed.

This bill therefore seeks to increase the monthly pension of our war veterans by three thousand pesos (Php3,000). The proposed increase is a fitting tribute to our war veterans who have readily answered the call to defend the sovereignty and independence of our country even if it meant risking their lives.

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

  
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AN ACT  
PROVIDING FOR A THREE THOUSAND PESO INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY  
PENSION OF WAR VETERANS AND THEIR DEPENDENTS, APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1           **SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy.** – It is hereby declared to be the policy of  
2 the State to alleviate the living conditions of the ordinary Filipino through policies  
3 that provide for a decent and humane standard of living and improved quality of life,  
4 particularly of the workers, both private and public; to free the people from poverty  
5 through policies that provide a rising standard of living and an improved quality of  
6 life for all; and to promote social justice through the adoption of measures calculated  
7 to ensure the well-being and economic security of all the members of the community.

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9           **SEC. 2. Increase in Monthly Pension.** – The monthly pension of all Filipino  
10 War Veterans shall be increased by Three thousand pesos (Php3,000.00) across the  
11 board.

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13           **SEC. 3. Rules of Succession of Beneficiaries.** – The monthly pension shall be  
14 granted directly to the war veteran, if he is still living. Upon the death or incapacity of  
15 the war veteran, his pension shall be released in favour of his surviving spouse and in  
16 the latter's death or incapacity, to the eldest legitimate child of the war veteran.

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18           **SEC. 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – The Department of National  
19 Defense (DND) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation  
20 of this Act.

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22           **SEC. 5. Appropriations.** – The amount necessary for the implementation of  
23 this Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of National Defense  
24 (DND) under the current General Appropriations Act.

1           **SEC. 6. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act shall be held  
2 unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in  
3 full force and effect.

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5           **SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, executive orders or issuances, or any  
6 parts thereof which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended  
7 accordingly.

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9           **SEC. 8. *Effectivity Clause.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after  
10 its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,