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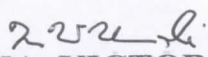
EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is not new for anyone to hear that public school teachers are underpaid. What is not known to most of us is the fact that the meager pay that teachers receive is further reduced by the cost of instructional materials that they often have to dig out of their own pockets.

These instructional materials come in the form of test papers, instruction module presentation, charts for clarity of explanation, maps, and other necessary tools that regularly cost money to produce and can only be used once for every student or every class session to enhance the teaching-learning interaction.

Disregarding the need to provide instructional materials' allowance for teachers will not only lead to reduced pay for lowly paid teachers but also raise the specter of worsening the already poor quality of education that public schools students will receive.

In view of the foregoing, passage of this bill is hereby being earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT PROVIDING INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS' ALLOWANCE FOR PUBLIC
SCHOOL TEACHERS**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** An instructional materials' allowance amounting to Five thousand
2 pesos (P5,000.00) per month is hereby provided for public school teachers of basic
3 and higher education nationwide including those who are teaching in the alternative
4 learning system of the Department of Education.

5 The amount provided as instructional materials' allowance for public school
6 teachers under this section shall be subject to regular adjustment every five (5) years.
7 The extent of the adjustment shall be determined by the agency concerned with the
8 implementation of this Act in coordination with the Department of Budget and
9 Management.

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11 **SECTION 2.** The budget necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be
12 included in the annual budget of the Department of Education, State Universities and
13 Colleges.
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1 **SECTION 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** The Department of
2 Education, State Universities and Colleges shall issue their corresponding rules and
3 regulation necessary for the implementation of this Act.
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5 **SECTION 4. *Repealing Clause.*** All laws or parts of any law, orders, rules, and
6 regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended
7 accordingly.
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9 **SECTION 5. *Effectivity Clause.*** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
10 its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
11 circulation.
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13 Approved,