

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 5695



Introduced by Representative **TYRONE D. AGABAS**

**AN ACT INCREASING THE BENEFITS OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS
AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE PARAGRAPH (A), SECTION 393,
CHAPTER IV, BOOK III OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991", AS
AMENDED.**

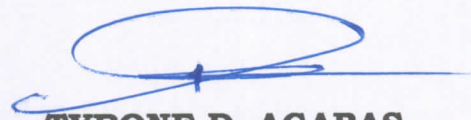
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend Republic Act 7160, as amended, by increasing the honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments of barangay officials nationwide.

The role of the barangay in national development cannot be countenanced. For many years, their indispensable role in the implementation of laws and government programs has immensely contributed to the economic well-being of their constituents in their respective jurisdictions, and the country in general. However, there is a policy flaw in regard to their benefits as provided under the Local Government Code. Since its enactment in 1991, or 28 years after its passage, no corresponding amendment on the benefits of barangay officials under Section 393 thereof has yet been made thus leaving said provision overtaken by time. Taking into consideration the effects of soaring inflation and the increasing cost of living, not to mention the economic challenges barangay officials contend with in a day-to-day basis, there is a need to increase the benefits of barangay officials.

The passage of this bill will enormously encourage our barangays officials to perform and serve better.

Hence, this request for the immediate passage of this bill.



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

1 **SECTION 1.** PARAGRAPH (A), SECTION 393, CHAPTER IV, TITLE I,
2 BOOK III OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, as amended, is hereby
3 amended to read as follows.

4 **"Section 393.** *Benefits of Barangay Officials.* –

5 (a) Barangay official, including barangay tanods and members of
6 the lupon tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances,
7 and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or
8 barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the
9 provision of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than [One
10 thousand pesos (P1,000.00)] **TWENTY PERCENT (20%)**
11 **ABOVE THE MINIMUM WAGE RATE PREVAILING IN THE**
12 **REGION** per month for the punong barangay and [Six hundred
13 pesos (P600.00)] **THE MINIMUM WAGE RATE PREVAILING**
14 **IN THE REGION** per month for the Sangguniang barangay

members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary:
Provided, However. That the arrival appropriations for the
personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitation
prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code;

xxx.”

SEC. 2. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders,
proclamations and/or administrative regulations which are
inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby amended,
modified superseded or repealed accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its
publication in the Official Gazette or at least three (3) newspapers
of national circulation.

Approved.