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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to recognize and acknowledge the sacrifices of Barangay Tanods. The Barangay Tanods are always in the front lines whenever there is a disturbance in the barangay. Whenever trouble erupts, they are usually the first ones to be called. Oftentimes, they assist the police in enforcing laws. They bravely face hazards despite their lack of arms and defenses and faithfully perform the tasks they swore to discharge.

Unfortunately, existing laws have not fully recognized their sacrifices and worth to our communities. They receive much less than the other barangay officials.

Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE WELFARE OF BARANGAY TANODS,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.
7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF
1991**

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

SECTION 1. **Short Title.** This Act shall be known as the "*Barangay Tanod
Welfare Act*"

SECTION 2. Paragraph (b), Section 393 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise
known as the Local Government Code of 1991, is hereby amended as
follows:

Section 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. -

(b) The punong barangay, the sangguniang barangay members, the
barangay treasurer, [and] the barangay secretary AND THE
BARANGAY TANODS, PROVIDED THAT, IN CASE OF BARANGAY
TANODS, THE NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES SHALL NOT EXCEED
TWENTY (20) shall also:

- (1.) Be entitled to Christmas bonus at least One thousand pesos
(P1,000.00) each, the funds for which shall be taken from the
general fund of the barangay or from such other funds
appropriated by the national government for the purpose;
- (2.) Be entitled, during their incumbency, to insurance coverage
which shall include, but shall not be limited to temporary and
permanent stability, double indemnity, accident insurance,
death and burial benefits, in accordance with Republic Act
Numbered Sixty-nine Hundred forty-two (R.A. 6942), entitled "

An Act Increasing the Insurance Benefits of Local Government Officials and Providing Funds Therefor”;

- (3.) Be entitled to free medical care including subsistence, medicines and medical attendance in any government hospital or institution: Provided, that such hospital care shall include surgery or surgical expenses; In case of extreme urgency where there is no available government hospital or institution, the barangay official attendance to the nearest private clinic hospital or institution and the expenses not exceeding Five thousand pesos (Php 5,000.00) that may be incurred therein shall be chargeable against the funds of the barangay concerned;
- (4.) Be exempted during their incumbency from paying tuition and matriculation fees for their legitimate dependent children attending state colleges or universities. He may likewise avail of such educational benefits in a state college or university located within the province or city to which the barangay belongs; and
- (5.) Be entitled to appropriate civil service eligibility on the basis of the number of years of service to the barangay, pursuant to the rules and regulations issued by the Civil Service Commission.

SECTION 3. **Separability Clause.** Should any provision herein be declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of other provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. **Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 5. **Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.