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Introduced by Hon. WILTER "SHARKY" WEE PALMA II

HOUSE BILL NO.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to grant the appropriate civil service eligibility to all **Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors**.

It is a fact that Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors are vital positions that serve as one of the main pillars of the local government. Collectively, these leaders constitute a governing body that is given the absolute authority as members of the executive to represent the interests of their people. These leaders are the ones who are in charge of managing the overall development of not only their respective Cities, Municipalities or Provinces but also the individual growth of their communities.

The role of the Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors as the catalysts for community development cannot be underemphasized. These leaders are called to task to bring together all the development needs and challenges of the communities under their respective constituencies as well as harness and develop local resources in order to come up with comprehensive plans that are consistent with the national development goals.

In 2011, **Republic Act 10156** was passed granting the appropriate civil service eligibility to the members of the Sangguniang Bayan, Sangguniang Panlungsod and Sangguniang Panlalawigan. If these groups of local government officials were given such privilege, the same must also be granted to other groups of similar or higher positions. Because in reality, Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial

Governors are all integral to civil service. The immense amount of duties and responsibilities that these leaders have must not be undermined, the role of these leaders is to incorporate the local development needs with national priorities to create holistic meso-level policies, programs and priorities for socio-economic growth. Moreover, these leaders are ready and willing to serve their respective constituency and in order to further encourage them to be much more effective and efficient as leaders, it is fitting that we must recognize their efforts as pillars of the local government by granting the appropriate civil service eligibility they deserve.

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

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AN ACT GRANTING ALL MUNICIPAL MAYORS, CITY MAYORS AND PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS THE APPROPRIATE CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

SECTION 1. *Grant of Eligibility.* – All Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors, shall be granted the appropriate civil service eligibility equivalent to a Career Service Professional Eligibility is hereby granted to Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors who shall serve an aggregate period of nine (9) years in office: *Provided*, that such official must be a holder of a bachelor's degree.

An eligibility equivalent to a Career Service Sub-Professional is hereby granted to Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors who shall serve an aggregated period of six (6) years in office: *Provided* that such official shall have at least earned seventy-two (72) academic units leading to a bachelor's degree.

SEC. 2. Grant of Eligibility to Former Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors. - An eligibility equivalent to a Career Service Professional Eligibility is hereby granted to former Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors who have served an aggregate period of nine (9) years in office: Provided that such official must be a holder of a bachelor's degree, such official must file for the appropriate Career Service Eligibility to the Civil Service Commission, and such

official must secure a Certificate of Service from the Department of the Interior and Local Government.

An eligibility equivalent to a Career Service Sub-Professional is hereby granted to former Municipal Mayors, City Mayors and Provincial Governors who have served an aggregated period of six (6) years in office: *Provided* that such official shall have at least earned seventy-two (72) academic units leading to a bachelor's degree, such official must file for the appropriate Career Service Eligibility to the Civil Service Commission, and such official must secure a Certificate of Service from the Department of the Interior and Local Government.

SEC. 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Civil Service Commission shall, within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act, promulgate the rules and regulations necessary for its implementation.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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