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HOUSE BILL NO. 3948



Introduced by Rep. Anna Katrina M. Enverga

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1991 Local Government Code views the barangay as the basic political unit. It also serve as the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects and activities in the community and as a forum where the collective views of the people maybe expressed, crystallized and considered and where disputes maybe amicably settled. These functions encompass the political and administrative character of the barangay as a local government unit.

The barangay government is likewise the springboard for neophyte political leaders. It is the training ground for vibrant and innovative proponents of change and acts as the microcosm of the national leadership, a rich reservoir of men and women in whose hands the future depends.

Barangay leaders and officers have genuine concern for their constituents hence their efforts must be properly recognized and duly reciprocated at all times. Compared to other government officials, barangay officials receive the lowest honorarium or allowances in the exercise of their functions. At the end of their

service they also received the lowest retirement or pension or none at all for the most of these officials.

This bill is anchored on the proposition that no amount of recognition will commensurate to the dedication, sacrifice and heroic deeds of our barangay officials, elected or appointed. It is the intention of this bill that the barangay officials themselves or their family or beneficiaries by reason of their retirement from service be given additional retirement benefits in the form of pension or lump sum which can be actually helpful to them during the time of their greatest need.

In view of the foregoing, approval of the Bill is earnestly sought.


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12 AN ACT PROVIDING ADDITIONAL RETIREMENT BENEFITS TO ALL BARANGAY
13 OFFICIALS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES
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15 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in*
16 *Congress assembled:*
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18 **SECTION. 1. Title** - This Act shall be known as the “ *Expanded Barangay*
19 *Retirement Benefits Act of 2013*”.
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21 **SEC. 2. Additional Retirement Benefits** - In addition to the retirement benefits being
22 extended to Barangay Officials by the Government Service Insurance System (GSIS) under
23 Republic Act. No. 8291, all barangay officials, elective or appointive, shall be entitled to
24 additional retirement benefits subject to the limitations provided by law.
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26 Retirement benefits shall be in the form of a lump sum payment equivalent to one
27 (1) year honorarium, but in no case shall exceed One Hundred Thousand Pesos
28 (P100,000.00) payable at the time of retirement to be taken from the Barangay Retirement
29 Fund;

30 As used in this section, the term “retiree” shall include all barangay officials,
31 including barangay tanods, members of the lupon ng tagapamayapa, barangay health
32 workers and barangay day care workers.

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3 **SEC. 4. Conditions for Entitlement.** - A barangay official, elected or appointed, who
4 retires from the service shall be entitled to the retirement benefits provided, That:

5 (1) he has rendered at least nine (9) years of service; and

6 (2) he is at least sixty (60) years of age at the time of retirement;
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8 **SEC. 5 - Barangay Retirement Fund** - There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement
9 Fund (BRF) which shall be used to fund the retirement of barangay officials mentioned
10 in this Act. The amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the share of the national
11 government under Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended,
12 shall be used for this purpose.
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14 The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall administer and
15 ensure the appropriate disbursement of the Fund.
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17 **SEC. 6 - Implementing Rules and Regulations.** The Department of Budget and
18 Management (DBM) and the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), in
19 coordination and consultation with other agencies concerned, shall promulgate and
20 issue necessary implementing rules and regulations as maybe necessary for proper
21 speedy and effective implementation of this Act.
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23 **SEC. 6. Repealing Clause.** All laws or parts thereof inconsistent with any provision
24 of this Act shall be deemed repealed or modified as the case may be.
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26 **SEC. 7. Effectivity.**- This Act shall take effect immediately upon its publication in two
27 (2) newspaper of general circulation.
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29 APPROVED,