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Introduced by Representative Rosenda Ann Ocampo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Public school teachers often brave rain or shine just to be present in their respective classes. In rural areas, they also have to walk mountains and hills, aside from facing harsh and extreme weather conditions in their daily trip to work.

These circumstances make public school teachers more vulnerable to different types of illnesses. Consequently, medical expenses will bite into their meager income.

The bottom line, the health of public school teachers seriously compromises the health of their students.

Neglecting their need for medical allowance will also result in the neglect for the health of both teachers and their students.

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

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AN ACT PROVIDING MEDICAL ALLOWANCE FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS

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

SECTION 1. A medical allowance amounting to Two Thousand Pesos (P2,000.00) per month is hereby provided for public school teachers of basic and higher education nationwide including those who are teaching in the alternative learning system of the Department of Education (DepEd).

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

- **SECTION 2.**The budget necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual budget of the Department of Education, State Universities and Colleges.
- **SECTION 3.** *Implementing Rules and Regulations*. The Department of Education shall issue their corresponding rules and regulation necessary for the implementation of this Act.
- **SECTION 4.** Repealing Clause. All laws or parts of any law, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

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

APPROVED.