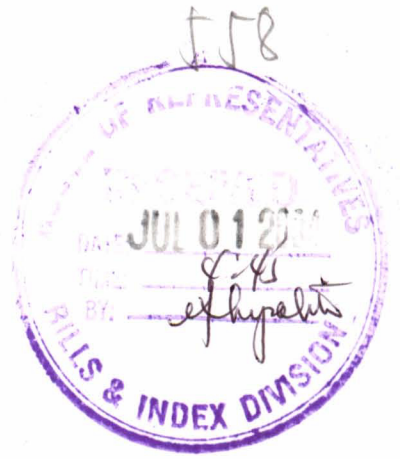


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Introduced by Rep. Roberto C. Cajés

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Barangay health workers are in the forefront in the delivery of primary health care program of the government to our people. Likewise, members of the barangay tanod are front liners in the maintenance of peace and order in the barangays.

They risk their lives and limbs in performing their tasks as public servants.

Despite their important role, barangay health workers and barangay tanod members are not even provided with benefits from the Government Services Insurance System (GSIS) and National Health Insurance Corporation (NHIC) to help them during the twilight and retirement years.

In due recognition of their noble tasks and welfare, this bill seeks to mandate the membership of barangay health workers and members of the barangay tanod to the GSIS and NHIC with the national and provincial governments paying for their monthly contributions to the said welfare agencies on a 50-50 basis.

The approval of this bill is therefore urgently sought.


ROBERTO C. CAJES

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**AN ACT
GRANTING GOVERNMENT SERVICES AND INSURANCE SYSTEM (GSIS) AND
NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE CORPORATION (NHIC) MEMBERSHIP TO
ACCREDITED BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND BARANGAY TANODS, AND
OTHER PURPOSES.**

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Government Services Insurance System and the National Health Insurance Corporation Membership Act of Barangay Health Workers and Barangay Tanods of the year 2004".

SECTION 2. The State shall provide GSIS and NHIC membership to all accredited barangay health workers and barangay tanods with the National and Provincial governments sharing on 50-50 basis their GSIS and NHIC contribution as incentives for their services to their communities.

SECTION 3. The Department of Health and the Department of Interior and Local Government shall issue within 60 days the necessary implementing rules and regulations, in the consultation with the Government Services Insurance System and the National Health Insurance Corporation, for the implementation of this Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,