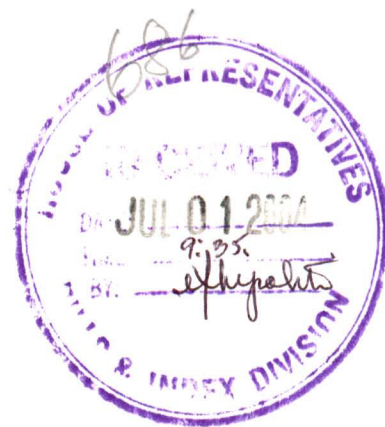


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House Bill No. 686



Introduced by Representative Abraham Kahlil B. Mitra

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This is a re-filed bill, which did not see light in the 12th Congress for lack of material time.

This proposal seeks to amend section 6(b) of Republic Act No. 7883, entitled, "**AN ACT GRANTING BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO ACCREDITED BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**"

For whatever reason, the above-stated Act failed to provide allowances for the Accredited Barangay Health Workers of the country. Hence, allowances of said workers were subject to the availability of funds of the local government concerned. Said scheme led to demoralization and questionable reliability of these workers during calamities and other emergencies.

In essence, the above-stated Act regularized the appointment of accredited health workers but failed to provide basic subsistence allowance. As such, the local health boards fail to develop dedication among health workers. In providing allowances for this very noble task would certainly enhance motivation, even develop commitment.

In this light, we seek for the immediate approval of this bill.


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AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR A SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE FOR BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 6(B) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7883, ENTITLED, AN ACT GRANTING BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO ACCREDITED BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE

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

1 **Section 1.** Section 6 of Republic Act No. 7883 is hereby amended to read as
2 follows;

3 “Sec. 6 Incentives and Benefits. - x x x x x

4 (b) Subsistence Allowance. – **ACCREDITED [B]** barangay health workers who
5 render service within the [premises of isolated] barangay health stations [in order to
6 make their services available at any and all time] shall be entitled to a monthly
7 subsistence allowance, which shall be computed in accordance with the prevailing
8 circumstances **BUT SHALL IN NO CASE BE LESS THAN FIVE HUNDRED PESOS**
9 **(P500.00) MONTHLY.**

10 **Sec. 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – The local government
11 concerned shall promulgate the implementing rules and regulations to carry out the
12 provisions of this Act within thirty (30) - days from inclusion of its funding from the
13 General Appropriations Act.

14 **Sec. 3. Fund.** – The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act is
15 hereby appropriated.

16 **Sec. 4. Effectivity.** – This Act is effective upon approval.

17 **Approved,**