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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 787



Introduced by Representative Harlin Cast. Abayon

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The proposed measure seeks to allocate one-half (1/2) of the ten percent (10%) of the general fund of the barangay set aside for the sangguniang kabataan for elementary and high schools in the barangay for their maintenance, such as, but not limited to, repair of leaking roofs, clogged toilets, sewerage systems. Pathwalks, electrical, water systems; painting of walls due to vandalism, purchase of electric bulbs, electric fans, etc., amending for the purpose Section 329 of Republic Act No.7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

Yearly, the parents-teachers Association, organized under DECS Order No. 98, Series of 199, collect voluntary contributions from parents for the purpose aforementioned, but more often than not collections is insufficient.

The function of keeping public buildings and other school facilities in good condition is supposed undertaken by the Department of Education, Culture and Sports, but due to inadequate budgetary allocations, poorly maintained schools greatly affect the welfare of school children and the quality of education is impaired.

In the light of the foregoing, immediate approval of the attached bill is requested.


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AN ACT

MANDATING THE ALLOCATION OF ONE HALF (1/2) OF THE TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE GENERAL FUND OF THE BARANGAY SET ASIDE FOR THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN FOR PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE BARANGAY TO AUGMENT THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 32 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled;

SECTION 1. Section 329 of Republic Act no. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 329. *Barangay Funds*. -Unless otherwise provided in this Title, all the income of the barangay from whatever source shall accrue to its general fund and shall, at the option of the barangay concerned, be kept as trust fund in the custody of the city or municipal treasurer or be deposited in a bank, preferably government-owned, situated in or nearest to its area jurisdiction. Such funds shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of this Title. Ten percent (10%) of the general fund of the barangay shall be set aside for the sangguniang kabataan: PROVIDED, THAT ONE HALF (1/2) OF THE TEN PERCENT (10%) SHALL BE ALLOCATED EQUALLY TO EXISTING PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE BARANGAY AND IN THE ABSENCE THEREOF, OF EITHER OF THE TWO SCHOOLS, THE WHOLE AMOUNT SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE EXISTING PUBLIC SCHOOL.”

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,