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HOUSE BILL NO. 1846

Introduced by HON. DANTON Q. BUESER

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend the or RA No. 4850, otherwise known as the Laguna Lake Development Authority Law, as amended by PD 813 and Executive Order 927, and restore to the local government the jurisdiction over the Seven Lakes of San Pablo City.

The amendments under Executive Order No. 927 expanded the term "Laguna de Bay Region" which covers the provinces of Rizal and Laguna; the cities of San Pablo, Pasay, Caloocan, Quezon, Manila, and Tagaytay; the towns of Tanauan, Sto. Tomas and Malvar in Batangas Province; the towns of Silang and Carmona in Cavite Province; the town of Lucban in Quezon Province; and the towns of Marikina, Pasig, Taguig, Muntinlupa, and Pateros in Metro Manila.

However, some of these areas have been neglected particularly the so-called Seven Lakes in San Pablo City as clearly shown by their deteriorating condition. The failure of the LLDA to closely manage and develop the lakes has been attributed to the already numerous functions of the Authority which has been further burdened by its expanded jurisdiction. Admittedly, the lakes would have been more efficiently managed had the same been under the jurisdiction of the local government unit concerned

It is for the above-mentioned reasons that this bill is proposed.


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**AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 41 PARAGRAPH 4 OF RA 4850 AS
AMENDED BY SECTION 2 PARAGRAPH 2 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 927**

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

Section 1. Section 41 Paragraph 4 of RA 4850 as is hereby further amended to exclude the City of San Pablo and its seven lakes from its coverage and read as follows:

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Section 41. "Laguna de Bay Region" shall refer to the Provinces of Rizal and Laguna; the Cities of **[San Pablo]** Pasay, Caloocan, Quezon, Manila and Tagaytay; the town of Tanauan, Sto. Tomas and Malvar in Batangas Province; the town of Silang and Carmona in Cavite Province; the town of Lucban in Quezon Province; and the town of Marikina, Pasig, Taguig, Muntinlupa and Pateros in Metro Manila.

Section 2. The City Council/Sanggunian Panglunsod of San Pablo City shall have the exclusive jurisdiction and power to control, manage, administer, develop and improve the seven lakes for livelihood purposes and prepare them for eco-tourism and as a possible source of potable water, in accordance with Sec. 458 of R.A. 7160.

Section 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,