

**Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila**

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House Bill No. 2014



Introduced by Honorable Catalino V. Figueroa

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 8, Article 16 of the Constitution states:

“The State shall, from time to time, review to upgrade the pensions and other benefits due to retirees of both the government and private sector.”

Consistent with this policy, this bill provides for the adjustment of the basic monthly pension of government retirees corresponding to the salary increase of the position held upon retirement.

Government retirees have spent the best and long years of their lives in government service, serving the public with utmost dedication. However, it is to be noted that the pensions being received by them are often overlooked than reviewed.

The government has to take steps to improve the living conditions of these retirees in as much as a retiree who is receiving a pension based on his salary ten or five years ago is actually living in poverty who cannot even support his own family. This is grossly unfair to these government officials and employees who have unconditionally devoted themselves in government service.

The social security and insurance benefits of government employees embodied under the Revised Government Service Act of 1977 should be re-examined and improved. The benefits provided therein should be increased to conform with the present high cost of living. This proposed measure will lighten the economic burden of government retirees. Moreover, this will boost the morale of our public servants which will, therefore, result in an efficient and effective performance of the government.

Approval of this bill is therefore recommended.


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**AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE BASIC MONTHLY PENSION
OF GOVERNMENT RETIREES CORRESPONDING TO THE SALARY
INCREASE OF THE POSITION HELD UPON RETIREMENT, AMENDING FOR
THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED ELEVEN HUNDRED AND
FORTY SIX OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED GOVERNMENT
SERVICE INSURANCE ACT OF 1977**

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

SECTION 1. Sub-paragraph (b) of Section 9 of Presidential Decree No. 1146, otherwise known as the "Revised Government Service Insurance Act of 1977" is hereby amended to read as follows"

"Section 9. Computation of Basic Monthly Pension

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(b) The basic monthly pension (may) SHALL be adjusted (upon recommendation of the President and General Manager of the System and approved by the President of the Philippines with the rules and regulations by the System) TO CORRESPOND TO THE SALARY INCREASE OF THE POSITION HELD UPON RETIREMENT."

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

Approved,