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Introduced by the **Honorable ROILO GOLEZ**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill aims to help local school boards to efficiently and effectively discharge their functions and responsibilities and seeks to upgrade standards in their respective areas.

Recognizing the crucial role of the Local School Boards in the enhancement and development of quality education in the local levels, this bill seeks to strengthen the Board by increasing its membership to include a representative from an accredited nongovernmental or people's organization involved in non-formal education and training programs. Moreover, the bill adds the following in the functions of the Board: a) the formulation of their respective school building program which shall be subject to the approval of the sanggunian concerned; and b) undertaking of site selection of public schools. Finally, the bill integrates non-formal education and training programs in the priorities of the annual school board budget.

Passage of this measure is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT
STRENGTHENING THE LOCAL SCHOOL BOARDS, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE SECTIONS 98, 99 AND 100 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF
1991" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 98 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", hereinafter referred to as the Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 98. Creation, Composition, and Compensation. - (a) x x x.

(b) The composition of local school boards shall be as follows:

(1) The provincial school board shall be composed of the governor and the division superintendent of schools as co-chairman; the chairman of the education committee of the sangguniang panlalawigan, the provincial treasurer, the representative of the pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan in the sangguniang panlalawigan, the duly elected president of the provincial federation of parents-teachers' associations, the duly elected representative of the teachers' organizations in the province, [and] the duly elected representative of the non-academic personnel of public schools in the province **AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ACCREDITED NONGOVERNMENTAL OR PEOPLES' ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS**, as members.

(2) The city school board shall be composed of the city mayor and the city superintendent of schools as co-chairmen; the chairman of the education committee of the sangguniang panlungsod, the city treasurer, the representative of the pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan in the sangguniang panlungsod, the duly elected president of the city federation of parent-teacher associations,

the duly elected representative of the teachers' organizations in the city, [and] the duly elected representative of the non-academic personnel of public schools in the city **AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ACCREDITED NONGOVERNMENTAL OR PEOPLES' ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS**, as members.

(3) The municipal school board shall be composed of the municipal mayor and the district supervisor of schools as co-chairmen; the chairman of the education committee of the sangguniang bayan, the municipal treasurer, the representative of the pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan in the sangguniang bayan, the duly elected president of the municipal federation of parent-teacher associations, the duly elected representative of the teachers' organizations in the municipality, [and] the duly elected representative of the non-academic personnel of public schools in the municipality **AND A REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ACCREDITED NONGOVERNMENTAL OR PEOPLES' ORGANIZATION INVOLVED IN NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS**, as members.

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SEC. 2. Section 99 of the Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 99. *Functions of Local School Boards.* - The provincial, city or municipal school board shall:

x x x

(c) Serve as an advisory committee to the sanggunian concerned on educational matters such as, but not limited to, the necessity for and the uses of local appropriations for educational purposes; [and]

(d) Recommend changes in the names of public schools within the territorial jurisdiction of the local government unit for enactment by the sanggunian concerned;

(e) **FORMULATE THE SCHOOL BUILDING PROGRAM SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE SANGGUNIAN CONCERNED; AND**

(f) **UNDERTAKE THE SITE SELECTION OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS.**

The Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall consult the local school board on the appointment, of division superintendents, district supervisors, school principals, and other school officials.

SEC. 3. Section 100 of the same Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 100. Meetings and Quorum; Budget. - (a) The local school board shall meet at least once a month or as often as may be necessary.

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(c) The annual school board budget shall give priority to, **AMONG OTHERS**, the following:

- (1) Construction, repair, and maintenance of school buildings and other facilities of public elementary and secondary schools;
- (2) Establishment and maintenance of extension classes where necessary **AND NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAMS**; [and]
- (3) Sports activities at the division, district, municipal, and barangay levels [.]; **AND**
- (4) **OTHER EDUCATION RELATED PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS.**

SEC. 4. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, and all other issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. If any part or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its complete publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,