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HOUSE BILL NO. 2275



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The barangay officials and barangay tanods are in the forefront of carrying out the programs and projects of the government, in the delivery of basic services and in the maintenance of peace and order in the community. They are the very vital link in the development of the countryside, especially in the far flung barangays and communities.

In the discharge of these functions, these barangay officials and tanods are exposed to danger to their life and limb. But these barangay officials and tanods who risk and even sacrifice their very lives in the faithful performance of their duties and functions have nothing to fall back on to answer to their needs in case of disability or even death.

In consideration thereof, it is but just and fitting to include BARANGAY TANODS in the coverage of Republic Act 6942 as proposed in due recognition of the coverage, sacrifices and unrelenting efforts of our barangay officials especially the barangay tanods.

The early approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING INSURANCE BENEFITS TO BARANGAY TANODS AND INCREASING THE
AMOUNT OF THE COVERAGE OF INSURANCE BENEFITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6942 AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 6942 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. Coverage of the Act. Every punong barangay, sangguniang barangay member, chairman of the kabataang barangay, barangay secretary [and], barangay treasurer and BARANGAY TANODS and every member of the Sangguniang panlalawigan, Sangguniang panglungsod and Sangguniang bayan, duly elected or appointed, and duly qualified, who does not receive a fixed salary during his incumbency shall be automatically covered by this Act; Provided, that the moment said official receives a fixed salary whether in the same capacity or by virtue of a permanent appointment in any other government office or by election to another public office, his coverage under this Act shall automatically cease and shall then be covered by the appropriate law. Any of the above mentioned local officials who shall automatically lose coverage or cease to be covered by this Act by virtue of termination or resignation from office for any lawful cause shall have the option to continue the coverage by paying the required premiums thereon.”

SECTION 2. All the insurance benefits afforded to all local officials covered by the provisions of Republic Act No. 6942 shall be increased by at least fifty percent (50%) but not more than One Hundred (100%) percent of the percent rate.

SECTION 3. The Department of Interior and Local Government in consultation with the Government Service Insurance System shall issue the

necessary guidelines for the proper implementation of the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. The amount necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this Act shall be charged to the fund of the Department of Interior and Local Government under the current General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or any part hereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least 2 newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.