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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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HOUSE BILL NO. 3816

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**Introduced by Honorable Roque R. Ablan, Jr.**

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

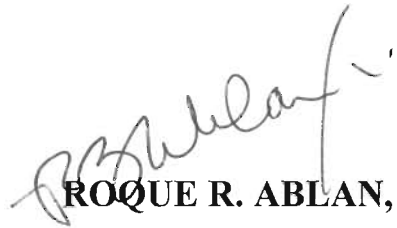
This bill seeks to grant certain benefits to barangay tanods throughout the country.

Barangay tanod brigades were organized to assist the local government units in the maintenance of peace and order in their respective locality. They are always in the frontline wherever there is a disturbance in their locality. In times of calamities and other natural disturbances, they are always the first called upon to assist the Punong Barangay in pacification, relief and rehabilitation works. Whenever trouble erupts, they are usually the first ones to be called rather than the policemen, and oftentimes, they assist the policemen in the enforcement of laws. Likewise, people look up to them for support and other assistance during emergencies. Barangay tanods are always exposed to danger while in the performance of their duties. In fact, several tanods have already been injured or killed by criminals and lawless elements.

It is disheartening to note that the existing laws have not fully recognized their sacrifices and worth to our communities as they are receiving less than the other barangay officials despite the dangers and hazards they face.

This bill is in recognition of the active participation and role that the barangay tanods are doing in the maintenance of law and order. They bravely face the hazards and still faithfully perform the tasks they were sworn to discharge.

The grant of benefits to barangay tanods will encourage them to perform their jobs well. Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly recommended.



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**AN ACT**  
**GRANTING CERTAIN BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES TO ALL**  
**BARANGAY TANODS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE**  
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, AS AMENDED.**

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

SECTION 1. Paragraph (d), Section 393 of Republic Act No. 7160,  
otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 as amended, is  
hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials.

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(d) All duly appointed members of the barangay tanod  
brigades, or their equivalent, which shall number not more than  
twenty (20) in each barangay, shall be granted A MONTHLY  
HONORARIUM OF SIX HUNDRED PESOS (P600.00), AS

WELL AS insurance or other benefits during their incumbency, chargeable to the barangay or the city or municipal government to which the barangay belongs.”

SEC. 2. The same section of the same Code is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph to be denominated as paragraph (e) to read as follows:

"           X                               X                               X

“(e) MEMBERS OF THE BARANGAY TANOD SHALL BE ENTITLED TO CHRISTMAS BONUS OF ONE THOUSAND PESOS (P1,000.00) EACH, THE FUNDS FOR WHICH SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THE NATIONAL BUDGET. MOREOVER, THEY SHALL BE EXEMPTED, DURING THEIR INCUMBENCY, FROM PAYING TUITION AND MATRICULATION FEES FOR THEIR LEGITIMATE DEPENDENT CHILDREN ATTENDING STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES LOCATED WITHIN THE PROVINCE OR CITY TO WHICH THE BARANGAY BELONGS.”

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,