

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Quezon City, Metro Manila

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

HOUSE BILL NO. 3892



Introduced by Hon. Edmundo O. Reyes, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution mandates that *the State shall promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all. In so doing, the State shall establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.*

These constitutional provisions underscore the important task of the government to deliver quality education to our children. It is a sad reality that the Philippine education is in crisis. The quality has been deteriorating for years and will continue to do so if we do not address the different factors that have contributed to its decline.

The purpose of this bill is to address the problem that emanated from the appointment of public elementary and high school teachers based on R.A. 8190. This bill now gives priority to bona fide residents of the *municipality or city* where the elementary school is located and bona fide residents of the *province* where the secondary school is located in the appointment or assignment of teachers as long as the teacher possesses all the required minimum qualifications for the position. It does not limit or give priority to appointment of teachers living in the barangay where the school is located. This way, the selection of teachers will not be too localized as to limit the number of potential teaching personnel at the barangay level. The bill seeks to widen the selection of teachers to the whole municipality/city for elementary schools and province for secondary school. This way, the pool of teachers will be broader and will open more opportunity to teachers having better qualifications. This will also provide for a better system of appointing teachers that will be more responsive at improving the quality of education in our public schools.

In the interest of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 1 OF REPUBLIC ACT No. 8190, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS "AN ACT GRANTING PRIORITY TO RESIDENTS OF THE BARANGAY,
MUNICIPALITY, CITY OR PROVINCE WHERE THE SCHOOL IS LOCATED, IN THE
APPOINTMENT OR ASSIGNMENT OF CLASSROOM PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS**

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 8190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. In the appointment or assignment of teachers, priority shall be given to *bona fide* residents of the municipality or city where the elementary school is located and the province where the secondary school is located: Provided, That the teacher possesses all the minimum qualifications for the position as required by law."

SECTION 2. *Repealing Clause.* All laws, orders, decrees, rules and regulations, or other issuances or any part thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. *Effectivity Clause.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,