

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 4137



Introduced by **Honorable Benjamin C. Agarao Jr.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The unsung heroes of our time oftenly referred to as our veterans have remained in limbo as to how they are going to cope up with their daily needs. Despite the exclusive mandate of the 1987 Constitution "to provide immediate and adequate care, benefits and other forms of assistance to war veterans, and veterans of military campaigns, their survivings spouses and ophans and that funds shall be provided therefore", the reality is far from being done.

This bill seeks to address this plaguing problem not only of the veterans but to the immediate benefeciaries themselves. With the gallantry, patriotism and ultimate sacrifice shown by these veterans and which has brought us to where we are right now, it is high time that the government should exercise reciprocal rights and give what is due to them. They have been waiting in vain and some of them have already died without receiving the benefits due to them.

This bill intends to increease the old age pension of veterans.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
INCREASING THE PENSION OF VETERANS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6948, AS AMENDED

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

Section 1. Coverage. All veterans, as defined in section 2 (a) of Republic Act No. 6948, as amended, who are at least sixty five (65) years old and eligible to receive the old age pension shall be covered by this Act.

Sec. 2. Old Age Pension. The old age pension as provided in Sec. 10 of R.A. 6948, as amended, shall be increased by Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) which shall commence upon the effectivity of this Act and shall be increased annually by Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) for the next three (3) years.

Sec. 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Secretary of National Defense shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Sec. 4. Appropriation. The funds necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual appropriations of the Department of National Defense.

Sec. 5. Repealing Clause. All laws, rules, regulations, order, circulars and memoranda inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 6. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,