

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The State recognizes the Barangay Tanod, duly created under the provision of the Local Government Code, as an indispensable instrument in barangay government, particularly in the latter's role in the maintenance and protection of peace and security and the promotion of public safety within the barangay.

As a reward for the untiring efforts of our barangay tanods, this bill seeks to bestow upon them additional benefits that will supplement their meager salaries, and provide them with the necessary assistance, such as free legal assistance from government for cases filed against them in the performance of their duties, and 50% discounts on tuitions fees and matriculation fees of both, their legitimate and legally adopted children. The benefits are intended to motivate them in the performance of their duties to help maintain peace and order which is vital in the development of local government units.

For the foregoing reasons, passage of this bill is earnestly requested



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AN ACT

UPGRADING THE BENEFITS AND INCENTIVES OF BARANGAY
TANOD BRIGADES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SEC. 393 (d) OF
REPUBLIC ACT 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL
GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 292 (d) of Republic Act 7160 is hereby amended to read
2 as follows:

3 "(d) All duly appointed members of the barangay tanod
4 brigades, or their equivalent, which shall number not
5 more than twenty (20) in each barangay, [shall be granted
6 insurance or other benefits during their incumbency,
7 chargeable to the barangay or the city or municipal
8 government to which the barangay belongs.] AND WHO
9 HAS RENDERED CONTINUOUS SERVICE FOR AT
10 LEAST ONE YEAR IN THE BARANGAY SHALL,
11 DURING HIS INCUMBENCY BE ENTITLED TO
12 THE FOLLOWING:

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14 (I) CHRISTMAS BONUS EQUIVALENT TO AT
15 LEAST ONE HALF (1/2) OF WHAT THE PUNONG
16 BARANGAY IS RECEIVING, AS MANDATED BY
17 LAW OR ORDINANCE;

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19 (II) AN INSURANCE COVERAGE EQUIVALENT
20 TO THREE-FOURTHS (3/4) OF THAT RECEIVED
21 BY THE PUNONG-BARANGAY, IN ACCORDANCE
22 WITH REPUBLIC ACT SIXTY NINE FORTY TWO
23 (RA 6942) OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "AN ACT
24 INCREASING THE INSURANCE BENEFITS OF
25 LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
26 AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR";

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28 (III) FREE LEGAL SERVICES FROM
29 GOVERNMENT LAWYERS FOR CRIMINAL AND
30 CIVIL CASES FILED AGAINST HIM, ARISING
31 FROM ACTS COMMITTED IN THE
32 PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES; PROVIDED,
33 THAT SUCH LEGAL SERVICES SHALL
34 CONTINUE, EVEN AFTER THE TERM OF

35 THE BARANGAY TANOD MEMBER, UNTIL ITS
36 FINAL DISPOSITION;
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38 (IV) FIFTY PERCENT (50%) DISCOUNT IN
39 TUITION AND MATRICULATION FEES FOR HIS
40 LEGITIMATE AND LEGALLY ADOPTED
41 CHILDREN, NOT EXCEEDING FOUR (4),
42 ATTENDING ANY RECOGNIZED STATE
43 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES;
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45 (V) PREFERENCE IN THE AVAILMENT OF
46 AND/OR MEMBERSHIP IN BARANGAY
47 LIVELIHOOD AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS,
48 WHETHER INITIATED BY THE NATIONAL
49 GOVERNMENT OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
50 UNITS
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52 SEC 2. The necessary amount for the implementation of the provisions of this
53 Act is hereby authorized to be appropriated out of any funds in the National Treasury
54 not otherwise appropriated. Thereafter, the amount needed shall be included in the
55 Annual General Appropriations of the Department of Interior and Local Government.
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57 SEC 3. All laws, acts, city or municipal ordinances, executive orders,
58 proclamations and administrative regulations, or parts thereof which are inconsistent
59 herewith are hereby repealed *or* modified accordingly.
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61 SEC 4. The Department of Interior and Local Government shall issue the
62 necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act.
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64 SEC 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its
65 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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67 Approved,