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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 13 of the 1987 Constitution provides that "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs.

Thus, representation of youth in all facets of governance, notwithstanding its talents, skills, and competencies, is an effective catalyst for social transformation.

In view thereof, amendments of Section 387 paragraph (a) and 390 and all Chapter of Sangguniang Kabataan of Republic Act 7160 known as the Local Government Code is needed to include YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE as members of Sangguniang Barangay.

Approval of the bill is earnestly sought.

*ARGUES*

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**AN ACT**  
**REFORMING THE YOUTH SECTOR PARTICIPATION IN THE BARANGAY COUNCIL AND AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTIONS 387, 390, AND THE SANGGUNIAN KABATAAN OF REPUBLIC ACT 7160 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE**

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

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 2, Barangay Officials and Offices, Section 387 of Republic Act No. 7160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 387 Chief Officials and Offices - There shall be in each barangay a punong barangay, seven (7) sangguniang barangay members, [the sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE, a barangay secretary, and a barangay treasurer.

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**SECTION 2.** Chapter 4, The Sangguniang Barangay, Section 390 of the same act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 390 Composition - The sangguniang barangay, the legislative body of the barangay, shall be composed of the punong barangay as presiding officer, and the seven (7) regular sangguniang barangay members elected at large and the [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE, as members.

**SECTION 3.** Chapter 8, of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Chapter 8. [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE

**SECTION 4.** Section 423, paragraph (a) and (b) of the same Act are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 423. Creation and Election (a) There shall be in every barangay a [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE to be composed of THE YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE [a chairman, seven (7) members], a secretary, and a treasurer.

(b) A [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE official who during his term of office, shall have passed the age of [twenty one (21)] TWENTY TWO (22) years shall be allowed to serve the remaining portion of the term for which he was elected.

**SECTION 5.** Section 424 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 424. Katipunan ng kabataan. - The katipunan ng kabataan shall be composed of all a citizens of the Philippines actually residing in the barangay for at least [six (6) months] ONE (1) YEAR, who are [fifteen (15)] EIGHTEEN (18) but not more than [twenty one (21)] TWENTY TWO (22) years of age, and who are duly registered [in the list of the sangguniang kabataan or] in the official barangay list in the custody of the barangay secretary.

**SECTION 6.** Section 425. of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 425 Meetings of the Katipunan ng Kabataan. - The katipunan ng kabataan shall meet at least once every three (3) months, or at the call of the chairman of the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES or upon written petition of at least one-twentieth (1/20) of its members, to decide on important issues affecting the youth of the barangay.

**SECTION 7.** Section 426 and paragraph (c) of the same Act are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 426. Powers and Function of the [Sangguniang Kabataan.] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE - The [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE shall:

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"(c) Hold fund-raising activities, the proceeds of which shall be a tax-exempt and shall accrue to the general fund of the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE: Provided, however, That in the appropriation thereof, the specific purpose for which such activity has been held shall be first established;

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**SECTION 8.** Section 427 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 427. Meetings of the [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE. The [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE shall meet regularly once a month on the date, time, and place to be fixed by the said YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE. Special meetings may be called by the [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE or any three (3) [of its] members of THE KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN by giving written notice to all members of the date, time, place, and agenda of the meeting at least one (1) day in advance. Notices of a regular or special meetings shall be furnished the punong barangay and sangguniang barangay.

A majority of the members of the [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN shall constitute a quorum.

**SECTION 9.** Section 428 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 428. Qualifications. - An elective official of the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE must be a citizen of the Philippines, a qualified voter of the katipunan ng kabataan, a resident of the barangay for at least one (1) year immediately prior to election, at least [fifteen (15)] EIGHTEEN (18) years but not more than [twenty one (21)] TWENTY TWO (22) years of age on the day of his election, able to read and write Filipino, English, or the local dialect, and must not have been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude.

**SECTION 10.** Section 429 of this Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 429. Term of Office. The [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE [and members] shall hold office for a period of three (3) years, unless sooner removed for a cause as provided by law, permanently incapacitated, die or resign from office.

**SECTION 11.** Section 430 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 430. [Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE.  
- The registered voters of the katipunan ng kabataan shall elect the [chairman of the sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE who shall automatically serve as an ex officio member of the sangguniang barangay upon his assumption to office. As

such he shall exercise the same powers, discharge the same duties and functions and enjoy the same privileges as the regular sangguniang barangay members, and shall be the chairman of the committee on youth and sports development in said sanggunian.

**SECTION 12.** Section 431, paragraph (a), (c) and (d) of the same act are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 431. Powers and Duties of the [Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE. – In addition to the duties which may be assigned to him by the sangguniang barangay, the [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE shall:

(a) Call and preside over all meetings of the katipunan ng kabataan [and the sangguniang kabataan].

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(c) Exercise general supervision over the affairs and activities of the [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN [and the official conduct of its members and such other officer of the sangguniang kabataan] within his jurisdiction.

(d) With the concurrence of the [sangguniang] KATIPUNAN NG kabataan, appoint from the members of the [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN, the secretary and the treasurer, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary;

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**SECTION 13.** Section 432, paragraph (a), (b) and (d) of the same Act are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 432. [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE Secretary. – The [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE secretary shall:

(a) Keep all records of the katipunan ng kabataan and [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE;

(b) Prepare and keep the minutes of all meetings of the katipunan ng kabataan and [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE;

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(d) Perform such other duties and discharge such other functions as the [chairman of the sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE may prescribe or direct.

**SECTION 14.** Section 433, paragraph (a), (b), (c), (e), and (f) are hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 433. [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE Treasurer.  
- The [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE Treasurer shall:

- (a) Take custody of all [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE property and funds not otherwise deposited with the city or municipal treasurer;
- (b) Collect and receive contributions, monies, materials, and all other resources intended for the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE and the katipunan ng kabataan;
- (c) Disburse funds in accordance with an approved budget of the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE;
- (e) Submit to the [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE and to the sangguniang barangay certified and detailed statements of actual income and expenditures at the end of every month; and
- (f) Perform such other duties and discharge such other functions as the [chairman of the sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE may direct.

**SECTION 15.** Section 434 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 434 Privileges of [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE [Officials]. - The [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE shall have the same privileges enjoyed by other sangguniang barangay officials under this code subject to such requirements and limitations provided herein. During their incumbency, [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE [officials] shall be exempt from payment of tuition and matriculation fees while enrolled in public tertiary schools, including state colleges and universities. The National Government shall reimburse said college or university the amount of the tuition and matriculation fees: Provided, That, to qualify for the privilege, the said officials shall enroll in a state college or university, within or nearest their area of jurisdiction.

**SECTION 16.** Section 435 paragraph (a), (b), and (d) of this Act are hereby amended and delete paragraph (c) to read as follows:

"Section 435. Succession and Filling of Vacancies. – (a) In case a [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE refuses to assume office, fails to qualify, is convicted of a felony, voluntarily resigns, dies, is permanently incapacitated, is removed from office or has been absent without leave for more than three (3) consecutive months, the [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN member who obtained the next highest number of votes in the election immediately preceding shall assume the office of the [chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE for the unexpired portion of the term, and shall discharge the powers and duties and enjoy the rights and privileges appurtenant to the office. In case the said member refuses to assume the position or fails to qualify, the [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN member obtaining the next highest number of vote shall assume the position of the [chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE for the unexpired portion of the term.

(b) Where two (2) or more [sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN members obtained the same next highest number of votes the [other sangguniang kabataan] KATIPUNAN NG KABATAAN members shall conduct an election to choose the successor to the chairman from among the said members.

(d) In case of suspension of the [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE, the successor, as determined in subsections (a) and (b) of this Section shall assume the position during the period of such suspension.

**SECTION 17.** Chapter 9 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Chapter 9 Pederasyon ng mga [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES.

**SECTION 18.** Section 436 and paragraph (a) with its succeeding sub-paragraph, paragraph (b) and its sub-paragraph (1) and paragraph (c) are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 435. Pederasyon ng mga [Sangguniang Kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES. – (a) There shall be an organization of all the pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES to be known as follows:

- (1) in municipalities, pambayang pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES;
- (2) in cities, panlungsod na pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES;
- (3) in provinces, panlalawigang pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES;

(4) in special metropolitan political subdivisions, pangmetropolitang pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES; and

(5) on the national level, pambansang pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES

(b) The pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES shall, at all levels, elect from among themselves the president, vice president and such other officers as may be necessary and shall be organized in the following manner:

(1) The panlungsod and pambayang pederasyon shall be composed of the [sangguniang kabataan chairmen] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE of barangays in the city or municipality, respectively;

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(c) The elected presidents of the pederasyon at the provincial, highly urbanized city, and metropolitan political subdivision levels shall constitute the pambansang katipunan ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE.

**SECTION 19.** Section 437 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 437 Constitution and By-Laws. - The term of office, manner of election, removal and suspension of the officers of the pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES at all levels shall be governed by the constitution and by-laws of the pederasyon in conformity with the provisions of this Code and national policies on youth.

**SECTION 20.** Section 438 paragraph (a) of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 438. Membership in the Sanggunian. - (a) A [sangguniang kabataan chairman] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE shall, upon certification of his election by the Comelec and during his tenure of office is elected as pederasyon president, serve as an ex officio member of sangguniang panlalawigan, sangguniang panlungsod, and sangguniang bayan, as the case may be, without need of further appointment.

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**SECTION 21.** Chapter 10. Section 439 paragraph (a) of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 439 Observance of Linggo ng Kabataan. - (a) Every barangay, municipality, city and province shall, in coordination with the pederasyon ng mga [sangguniang kabataan] YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES at all levels, conduct an annual activity to be known as the Linggo ng Kabataan on such date as shall be determined by the Office of the President.

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**SECTION 22.** Separability Clause - If, for any reason or reasons any part or provision of this Code shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

**SECTION 23.** Effectivity Clause - This Code shall take effect after its complete publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED,