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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The proposed measure seeks to allocate one-half (1/2) of the ten percent (10%) of the general fund of the barangay set aside for the sangguniang kabataan for the maintenance of public elementary and high schools in the barangay such as, but not limited to, repair of leaking roofs, clogged toilets, sewerage systems, pathwalks, electrical, water systems, painting of walls due to vandalism, purchase of electric bulbs, electric fans, etc., amending for the purpose Section 329 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

In the past, the Parents-Teachers Association, organized under DepEd Order No. 98, Series of 1998, collect voluntary contributions from parents for the purpose aforementioned. Recently, however, DepEd banned voluntary contributions from parents whose children are enrolled and instead DepEd allocated twenty thousand pesos (Php 20,000.00), yearly, for each public elementary and high schools for maintenance and operating expenses.

The funds allocated, however, for keeping public school buildings and other school facilities in good condition is inadequate and it is common knowledge that poorly maintained schools greatly affect the welfare of school children and the quality of education is impaired.

In the light of the foregoing, immediate approval of the attached bill is requested.


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AN ACT

MANDATING THE ALLOCATION OF ONE-HALF (1/2) OF THE TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE GENERAL FUND OF THE BARANGAY SET ASIDE FOR THE SANGGUNIAN KABATAAN TO AUGMENT THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE BARANGAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 329 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 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:

SECTION 1. Section 329 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 329. *Barangay Funds.* - Unless otherwise provided in this Title, all the income of the barangay from whatever source shall accrue to its general fund and shall, at the option of the barangay concerned, be kept as trust fund in the custody of the city or municipal treasurer or be deposited in a bank, preferably government-owned, situated in or nearest to its area of jurisdiction. Such funds shall be disbursed in accordance with the provisions of this Title. Ten percent (10%) of the general fund of the barangay shall be set aside for the sanggunian kabataan: PROVIDED, THAT ONE-HALF (1/2) OF THE TEN PERCENT (10%) SHALL BE ALLOCATED EQUALLY TO EXISTING PUBLIC ELEMENTARY AND HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE BARANGAY FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATING EXPENSES, AND IN THE ABSENCE THEREOF, THIS PROVISIO DOES NOT APPLY.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,