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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City



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HOUSE BILL NO. 6056

Introduced by HON. NELSON L. DAYANGHIRANG
1st District, Davao Oriental

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to amend Republic Act No. 9340 with the objective of resetting the Barangay and Sanguniang Kabataan Elections from October 2013 to October 2015.

The 2013 Barangay and Sanguniang Kabataan Elections are scheduled a few months after the Senatorial and Local Elections. This would mean that next year, the country will hold two expensive and divisive electoral exercises which will put almost the entire 2013 in an election and campaign period.

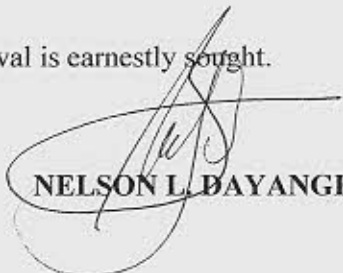
Instead of newly elected legislators and local executives start working on their new mandate after the May elections, preparations and support activities would focus on the Barangay and Sanguniang Kabataan Elections.

Right after the May elections which would require billions of pesos, the scheduled October elections would require another spending that would be more productive if spent in the much-needed basic programs and services of the administration.

In choosing from among the many important priorities, spending billions of pesos for the elections of the Barangay and Sanguniang kabataan officials would not be the most urgent. The government has already spent so much in the training and education of the current Barangay officials and just as they have sufficient experiences and knowledge of their jobs and responsibilities, we have to subject them to another expensive and divisive election.

Our people are waiting for the dividends of progress and improvement from the leadership of President Aquino, but a second election next year would have minimal contribution to that progress while at a very high cost. Resetting the Barangay and Sanguniang kabataan elections next year would give the government the much-needed fiscal resources and also avoid contributing to further budgetary deficit.

In view of the importance of this bill, early approval is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, RESETTling THE BARANGAY AND
SANGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS OF OCTOBER 2013 TO OCTOBER 2015,
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 1. Date of Election. – There shall be synchronized barangay and sanguniang kabataan elections which shall be held on October 28, 2015. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sanguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last Monday of October 2018 and every three (3) years thereafter.”

Sec. 2. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 9340 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4. Assumption of Office. – The term of office of the barangay and sanguniang kabataan officials elected under this Act shall commence on October 2015, next following their elections. The term of office of the barangay and sanguniang kabataan officials elected in the October 2015 election and subsequent elections shall commence at noon of November 30 next following their election.”

Sec. 3. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, and rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 6. Separability Clause. – If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof shall not be affected and thereby remain in full force and effect.

Sec. 7. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,