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HOUSE BILL NO. 6327



Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE LORETO LEO S. OCAMPOS**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill aims to reset the October 2013 synchronized Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections to the second Monday of May 2013 thus integrating them with the National Elections.

The purpose of this bill is predicated primarily on economic considerations. In the Philippines, elections have always been costly not only on the part of the candidate but also on the government.

For the past several elections, the barangay officials including the Sangguniang Kabataan officials have been actively or discretely involved in the campaign exercises during political elections, thus contradicting the spirit and intent of the law to insulate the barangay officials from partisan politics. During the election period, being "apolitical" is far removed from the reality.

Hence, it is humbly proposed that the Barangay and Sanggunian Kabataan Elections be reset on the May 2013.

Wherefore, the urgent passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
TO RESET THE DATE OF THE 2013 SYNCHRONIZED BARANGAY AND
SANGGUNIANG KABATAANG ELECTIONS TO THE SECOND MONDAY OF
MAY 2013

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, otherwise known as "AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, RESETTING THE BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES" is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Date of Election. – There shall be synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections which shall be held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the [last] **SECOND** Monday of [October 2007] **MAY 2013** and every three (3) years thereafter."

SECTION 2. 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executive orders, and rules and regulations, or parts thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 3. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,