

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Third Regular Session)

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES
House Bill No. 6835



Introduced by: MA. THERESA B. BONOAN-DAVID
4th District, City of Manila

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The government's thrust towards environmental preservation and restoration requires the participation of all its implementing units and agencies. Although the problem concerning our environment is national in nature, the most effective approach would start with a parochial one or through each local government in the country.

This bill intends to amend the section in the Local Government Code that indicates the appointment of an officer in charge of the environmental affairs optional.

The necessity to make this appointment mandatory is recognized because the presence of such an officer in every locality is very important for the overseeing, monitoring, and development of the government programs relating to the environment in their place of jurisdiction.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


MA. THERESA BONOAN-DAVID
4th District, City of Manila

FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE)
REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
Third Regular Session)

HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES
House Bill No. **6835**

Introduced by: MA. THERESA B. BONOAN-DAVID
4th District, City of Manila

AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN LOCAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION BY MAKING THE APPOINTMENT OF AN ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICER MANDATORY FOR PROVINCIAL, CITY AND MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 484 (A) OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

SECTION 1. Section 484 (a) of Republic Act No. 7160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 484. Qualifications, Powers and Duties. - (a) XXX
The appointment of the environment and natural resources officer is [optional] **MANDATORY** for the provincial, city and municipal governments."

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.