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House Bill No. 1190



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is the State's responsibility to make quality health services accessible to the general populace. This entails ensuring the affordability of goods necessary for the maintenance of health and as remedies for illnesses, as well as providing inexpensive (if not totally free) yet quality health care to the people, especially those who have less in life.

Barangay health workers play a vital role in these endeavors. Since the barangay is the State's arm for grassroots governance, its health workers are more attuned to the concerns of the community.

Given their responsibility that is not without risks to their own well being, these individuals have to be rewarded with remuneration commensurate to the aforementioned. This would serve as impetus for their continued selfless service as well. For this reason, this bill seeks to amend pertinent provisions of the "Barangay Health Workers' Benefits and Incentives Act of 1995" to provide for the minimum monthly hazard compensation for health workers.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marcelino R. Teodoro".

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AN ACT
PROVIDING THE MINIMUM MONTHLY HAZARD ALLOWANCE OF
ACCREDITED BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, AMENDING FOR THIS
PURPOSE THE BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS' BENEFITS AND
INCENTIVES ACT OF 1995."

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

SECTION 1. Par. a, Sec. 6 of Republic Act No. 7883 known as the "Barangay Health Workers' Benefits and Incentives Act of 1995" is hereby read as follows:

"SEC. 6 Incentives and Benefits. x x x

- a) Hazard Allowance – Volunteer barangay health workers in rural and urban areas, exposed to situations, conditions, or factors in the work environment or place where foreseeable but unavoidable danger or risks exist which adversely endanger his health or life and/or increase the risk in producing adverse effect on his person in the exercise of his duties, to be validated by the proper authorities, shall be entitled to hazard allowance in the amount to be determined by the local health board and the local peace and order council of the local government unit concerned: PROVIDED, THAT, THE HAZARD ALLOWANCE SHALL NOT BE LESS THAN THREE THOUSAND PESOS (P3,000.00)"

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect after 15 days following its publication in the Official Gazette or at least two (2) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,