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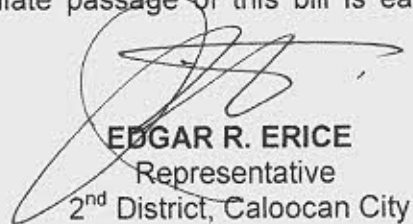
The Sangguniang Kabataan was no longer fulfilling the noble purpose for which it was created in view of the widespread observation that instead of serving as a training ground for the country's future leaders, it has actually become a tool and a vehicle for the proliferation of corruption. This was the reason for the deferment of the SK elections originally scheduled last October 28, 2013.

Yet, it cannot be denied that the youth comprises the largest portion of the country's population, and that they play a vital role in nation- building. Thus, their participation in different State affairs that will inculcate in them patriotism and nationalism should definitely be encouraged.

The challenge then for the government is how to mobilize the youth for nation- building without exposing them to various forms of poll fraud and corruption practiced by unscrupulous elder officials and politicians.

Towards this goal, it is proposed that an organization to be called Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan be established in every province, city and municipality, which shall be responsible for the formulation of policies and implementation of programs related to youth promotion and development.

In view of the foregoing and owing to the impact of youth participation in the effective governance of the State, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
TO DEVELOP AND STRENGTHEN YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN NATION-
BUILDING BY CREATING THE KALIPUNAN NG MGA ANIBANG KABATAAN
(KAK) IN EVERY PROVINCE, CITY AND MUNICIPALITY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall also be known as the "Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan Act of 2013."

SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy. - It is the declared policy of the State to promote and protect the physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being of the Filipino youth, by inculcating in them patriotism and nationalism and encouraging their involvement in public and civic affairs.

SECTION 3. Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan. - There shall be established a Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan (KAK) in every province, city and municipality which shall be responsible for the formulation and implementation of youth development programs, projects, and activities in their respective areas of jurisdiction in coordination with various government agencies and non-government organizations.

SECTION 4. Objectives. - The Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan shall have the following objectives:

- (a) To develop the full potential of the youth as contributors to nation-building;
- (b) To encourage intensive and active participation of the youth in all governmental and non-governmental programs affecting them;
- (c) To broaden and strengthen the services provided by the national government to the youth;
- (d) To provide monitoring for youth promotion programs, projects, and activities;

- (e) To draw up a list of available and required services which can be provided by the youth representatives and members.

SECTION 5. *Composition.* – The Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan shall be composed of the following, to wit:

- (a) Presidents or heads of all accredited youth organizations
- (b) Presidents or heads of the Federation of Student Councils

There shall be nine (9) members of the Kalipunan in the case of a municipality; and fifteen (15) members in the case of the province or city.

SECTION 6. *Executive Committee.* – The members of the Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan, shall select from among themselves those who will constitute the KAK Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall function as the executive or implementing arm of the Kalipunan. It shall implement the programs and projects that will be formulated and/or recommended by the Kalipunan.

In the case of the municipality, there shall be five (5) members of the Executive Committee, and nine (9) members in the case of the province or city.

The members of the Kalipunan shall elect the Chair of the Executive Committee. The Chair of the Executive Committee shall *ipso facto* be the representative of the youth sector in the sanggunian of the city or municipality.

In the case of the province however, all the elected KAK Chairpersons of the component cities/ municipalities shall elect among themselves a representative of the youth sector in the sangguniang panlalawigan.

SECTION 7. *Accreditation.* – The youth organizations in a province, city or municipality shall be accredited by an inter-agency committee composed of representatives from the National Youth Commission, Department of Education, Department of Social Welfare and Development, Department of Interior and Local Government, and the Office of the Mayor/Governor.

SECTION 8. *Functions.* – The following shall be the functions of the Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan:

- (a) Coordinate and harmonize the activities of all agencies and organizations engaged in youth development programs;
- (b) Formulate plans and programs for youth promotion and development in their respective areas of jurisdiction;
- (c) Recommend youth-related policy proposals to appropriate government agencies and non-government organizations;
- (d) Monitor the implementation of youth promotion programs and projects;

- (e) Propose to the sanggunian concerned annual budgetary allocations for the implementation of youth-related programs and services;
- (f) Serve as an advisory committee to the sanggunian concerned on youth matters;
- (g) Serve as a general information and liaison center for the youth;
- (h) Perform such other functions as may be necessary to carry out the objectives of this Act.

SECTION 9. *Meeting.*- The Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan shall meet quarterly or as often as it may be deemed necessary.

SECTION 10. *Budgetary Allocation.*- The 10% share in the General Fund of the Barangays formerly reserved to the Sangguniang Kabataan shall be appropriated as follows:

- 50% of the 10% shall be utilized to augment and subsidize the funding of projects directly implemented by youth organizations
- 30% of the 10% shall be utilized for projects that will be implemented by the Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan
- 20% of the 10% shall be utilized for the operational and administrative expenses of the Executive Committee

SECTION 11. *Reportorial Requirements.*- The Kalipunan ng mga Anibang Kabataan shall submit semi-annual accomplishment reports, including youth situationer in their respective localities, to the National Youth Commission, and the Office of the Mayor/Governor.

SECTION 12. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions thereof.

SECTION 13. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

SECTION 14. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.