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House Bill Number **5721**



Introduced by Representative ROLANDO G. ANDAYA, JR.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

To give due recognition to barangay officials and workers who have rendered valuable service, this bill aims to amend the Local Government Code of 1991 by providing a lump sum retirement pay equivalent to one (1) year honorarium to qualified barangay officials and workers.

Barangay officials and workers provide frontline service for the government. It is through them that immediate concerns of constituents are addressed. It is also through them that assistance from the national government is delivered to the very doorstep of our citizens.

Because they are readily accessible to the community, barangay officials and workers devote most of their waking hours working for the barangay. Their job requires them to be on call at all times in order to maintain public order, amicably settle contending claims of community members, and steer the economic direction of the barangay.

In order to acknowledge the vital role that barangay officials and workers play in nation building, approval of this proposal is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT PROVIDING ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS, AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS, A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. – (a) Barangay officials, including barangay tanods and members of the lupon tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than One thousand pesos (P1,000.00) per month for the punong barangay and Six hundred pesos (P600.00) per month for the sangguniang barangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary: Provided, however, That the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code.

"(b) x x x

"(1) x x x

"(2) x x x

"(3) BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED ONE HUNDRED

THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) TO BE TAKEN FROM THE BARANGAY RETIREMENT FUND: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A RETIREE IS AT LEAST SIXTY (60) YEARS OF AGE WITH A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) YEARS IN SERVICE AT THE TIME OF THE RETIREMENT.

"AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERM 'RETIREE' SHALL INCLUDE ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, BARANGAY HEALTH WORKERS, BARANGAY NUTRITION SCHOLARS, AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS.

"[(3)](4)x x x

"[(4)](5)x x x

"[(5)](6)x x x

"(c)x x x

"(d) x x x."

SEC. 2. Barangay Retirement Fund Created. – There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement Fund (BRF) which shall be used to fund the retirement of barangay officials mentioned in this Act. The amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the share of the national government under Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, shall be used for this purpose.

The Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall administer and ensure the appropriate disbursement of the Fund.

SEC. 3. Rules and Regulations. – The Department of Budget and Management, in coordination with the DILG, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,