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HOUSE BILL NO. **4592**



Introduced by Honorable Michael L. Romero and Enrico A. Pineda

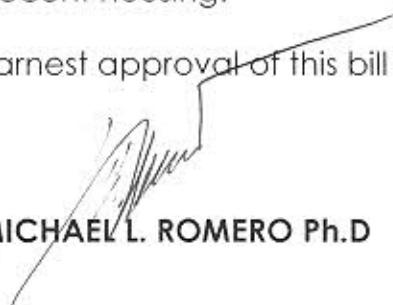
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The National Housing Authority (NHA) was tasked to develop and implement a comprehensive and integrated housing program which shall embrace, among others, housing development and resettlement, sources and schemes of financing, and delineation of government and private sector participation.

The NHA is a Government-owned and -controlled corporation (GOCC) under the administrative supervision of the Housing and Urban Development Coordinating Council (HUDCC) and classified under the Infrastructure Utilities Group.

This House Bill seeks the development of sites and services projects for families displaced from danger areas, from land needed by the government for its infrastructure program and from slum improvement projects and to accommodate the normal increase in households and in-migration of marginal and low-income families. To undertake urban land reform and social housing program to provide deserving landless, homeless and inadequately sheltered low-income resident citizens reasonable opportunity to acquire land and decent housing.

Earnest approval of this bill is hereby requested.



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AN ACT

**INCREASING THE CAPITALIZATION OF THE NATIONAL HOUSING
AUTHORITY (NHA), EXPANDING AND ACCELERATING ITS URBAN
LAND REFORM AND SOCIAL HOUSING PROGRAM, AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy - The State shall hereby provide an additional Five billion pesos (**₱5,000,000,000.00**) to evolve and implement a comprehensive national program to meet the housing and related needs of marginal and low-income families in Metro Manila and other urban centers of the country. The Ministry of Human Settlements is hereby authorized to re-align its appropriations, in the current year of the date of the effectivity of this Act to conform with its mandate and requirements.

SECTION 2. Funding – the amount of Five billion pesos (**P5,000,000,000.00**) as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law.

SECTION 3. Periodic Reports - The Ministry of Human Settlements shall submit periodic reports on its findings and make recommendations on actions to be taken by Congress and Senate and the appropriate department, and in order to carry out the objectives and mandates of this Act, an additional amount of Five billion pesos (**P5,000,000,000.00**) is hereby appropriated.

SECTION 4. Automatic Review - Every three **(3) years** after the effectivity of this Act, an independent review panel composed of experts to be appointed by the President shall review the policies and programs in the NHA and shall make recommendations, based on its findings, to the President and to both Houses of Congress.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. If, for any reason or reasons, any portion or provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,