

Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City



**SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 6956

Introduced by Representative MERCEDES K. ALVAREZ

This bill seeks to declare Barangay Tagukon in the City of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental as a government entity created pursuant to Section 385 of the Local Government Code of 1991.

Formerly a part of Barangay Camingawan, Barangay Tagukon was created by virtue of Provincial Ordinance No. 93-002 of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental, entitled "*An Ordinance Approving the Creation of a New Barangay, To Be Called Barangay Tagukon, out of Barangay Camingawan, Kabankalan, Negros Occidental.*" It was approved by a majority of the votes cast in a plebiscite and formally proclaimed as a separate, distinct and independent barangay. However, since Barangay Tagukon was created through a local ordinance, the financial requirements of the barangay were governed by Section 285 of the Local Government Code, which provided that, "the financial requirements of the barangay created by local government units after the effectivity of the Local Government Code shall be the responsibility of the local government units concerned." Thus, Barangay Tagukon had no share in the internal revenue allotment (IRA); its expenses were shouldered by the city government of Kabankalan since its creation.

This bill seeks to rectify this omission with the re-creation of Barangay Tagukon in the City of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental as an independent government entity pursuant to Section 385 of the Local Government Code of 1991, thereby entitling Barangay Tagukon to IRA shares generally allocated to barangays under the law.

In view of its vital importance, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CREATING BARANGAY TAGUKON IN THE CITY OF KABANKALAN, PROVINCE OF
NEGROS OCCIDENTAL

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

SECTION 1. *Creation of Barangay Tagukon.* - Barangay Tagukon was created by virtue of Provincial Ordinance No. 93-002 of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Negros Occidental, segregating it from its mother barangay, Barangay Camingawan, with the following boundaries delineating its territorial areas:

N	-	Barangay Carol-an
NE	-	Negros Oriental
SE	-	Negros Oriental
SW	-	Ilog River
NW	-	Banga Creek and Inihi-an Creek
W	-	Barangay Camingawan

SECTION 2. *Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite.* - Pursuant to Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, the new barangay shall exist upon a majority of the votes cast by the qualified voters of Barangay Tagukon, City of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental, in a plebiscite

to be conducted and supervised by the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) in the area affected, within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 3. *Barangay Officials.* – The first set of officials of the said barangay shall be appointed by the Provincial Governor and shall hold office until such time that their successors have been duly elected and qualified in the next regular barangay election after the approval of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Public Infrastructure and Facilities.* - All existing public infrastructure and facilities for public use existing therein at the time of the approval of this Act are hereby transferred without cost or compensation and shall be administered by the new barangay.

SECTION 5. *Internal Revenue Allotment Shares.* - Barangay Tagukon shall be entitled to Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) shares pursuant to Section 285 of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991.

SECTION 6. *Appropriations.* - The amount necessary to conduct the plebiscite as provided for under this Act shall be borne by the City of Kabankalan, Province of Negros Occidental.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,