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8 HOUSE BILL NO. **7072**
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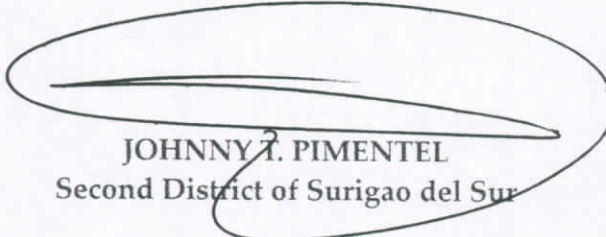
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14 EXPLANATORY NOTE

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16 This bill seeks to postpone the May 2018 barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections to
17 October of the same year.

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19 Barangay officials are at the forefront of government service and are important figureheads
20 in the community. In light of their importance to the community, the planned barangay elections
21 must be properly conducted in order to give the electorate the best opportunity to exercise their
22 right of suffrage.

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24 Given the coordination costs and expenses of organizing the elections, it is suggested to
25 give the Commission on Elections and other involved agencies additional time to further ensure
26 credible and effective barangay elections.

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28 For the aforementioned reasons, the undersigned submits this bill for the consideration of
29 this august body.
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18 AN ACT POSTPONING THE MAY 2018 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG
19 KABAAAN ELECTIONS TO OCTOBER 2018, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE
20 REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164
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22 *Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress*
23 *assembled:*
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25 **Section 1.** Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic Act No. 9340,
26 Republic Act No. 10656, Republic Act No. 10923, and Republic Act No. 10952 is hereby
27 further amended to read as follows:
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29 "SECTION. 1. *Date of Election.* - There shall be synchronized barangay and
30 sangguniang kabataan elections, which shall be held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent
31 synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last
32 Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years thereafter: Provided, That the
33 barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections on October 23, 2017 shall be
34 postponed to the second Monday of **OCTOBER** [May] 2018. Subsequent
35 synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the
36 second Monday of May 2020 and every three (3) years thereafter."
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38 **Section 2.** *Hold Over.* - Until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified, all
39 incumbent barangay officials shall remain in office, unless sooner removed or suspended for
40 cause.
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Section 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - The Commission on Elections shall, within
ninety (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, promulgate such rules and regulations
necessary to implement this Act.

1 **Section 4. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, ordinances, rules or regulations or parts
2 thereof inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby expressly
3 repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

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5 **Section 5. *Separability Clause.*** – If for any reason any section or provision of this Act is
6 declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof which are
7 not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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9 **Section 6. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its publication in
10 the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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12 Approved.