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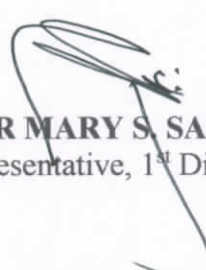
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide funding for the construction of facilities in LGUs that are hosting the Palarong Pambansa and the Regional Meets leading to it.

At present, financial constraints greatly limit the facilities and services that can be offered by a Host LGU to visiting delegates. Aside from the sports facilities to be used for the different games, another major concern is the provision of bathing areas and comfort rooms in the different billeting quarters. Some resourceful Host LGUs resort to constructing temporary ones that are dismantled after the event. This situation is further aggravated by the fact that not all public schools have reliable and consistent water supply.

The proposal, if favorably considered, will enable more LGUs to host the Regional Meets and eventually the Palarong Pambansa. It will also help improve the facilities of public schools utilized for such event for the benefit of the students and the whole community.

In view thereof, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10588, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE PALARONG PAMBANSA ACT OF 2013**

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

SECTION 1. Article III of Republic Act No. 10588, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 9. *Hosting of the Palarong Pambansa* – x x x

The Host LGU must be identified at least two years before the conduct of the Palarong Pambansa wherein they are assigned to host.

SECTION 10. *Criteria for the Selection of the Palarong Pambansa Host LGU*
– x x x

SECTION 11. *Hosting of the Regional Meets Leading to the Palarong Pambansa* – The hosting of the Regional Meets shall be guided by the principle of rotation among the different provinces of the region.

The Host LGUs for the Regional Meets must be identified at least two years before the conduct of the Regional Meet wherein they are assigned to host.
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SECTION 2. Article IV of Republic Act No. 10588, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SECTION 11. *Incentives to Host LGU and Participating Schools* –

(a) Host LGU – The Host LGU shall have the following incentives:

- 1. The Board shall provide incentives to the winning LGUs to encourage them to participate in the bidding for the hosting of the Palarong Pambansa.**

2. The Host LGU shall have an allocation from the budget of the DepEd for the construction, rehabilitation or improvement of sports facilities, billeting quarters, comfort and shower rooms, and other basic facilities necessary for the conduct of a sports meet that will be used in hosting the Palarong Pambansa. *Provided*, that projects to be funded should be included in the list of facilities as identified by the DepEd. *Provided further*, that the funding shall be released to the Host LGU one year before the conduct of the Palarong Pambansa it will be hosting. *Provided furthermore*, that the total amount allotted for the implementation of this provision shall be determined by the Board. *Provided finally*, that the Board shall issue regulations to implement this provision.

(b) Schools Whose Students are Participating in the Palarong Pambansa – x x x

SECTION 12. *Incentives to the Host LGUs of the Regional Meets* – The Host LGUs for the Regional Meets shall have an allocation from the budget of the DepEd for the construction, rehabilitation or improvement of sports facilities, billeting quarters, comfort and shower rooms, and other basic facilities necessary for the conduct of a sports meet that will be used in hosting the meets. *Provided*, that projects to be funded should be included in the list of facilities as identified by the DepEd. *Provided further*, that the funding shall be released to the Host LGUs of the Regional Meets one year before the conduct of the event it will be hosting. *Provided furthermore*, that the total amount allotted for the implementation of this provision shall be determined by the Board. *Provided finally*, that the Board shall issue regulations to implement this provision.

SECTION 13 [12]. *Promotion of the Palarong Pambansa* – x x x ”

SECTION 3. *Renumbering of the Remaining Sections of Republic Act No. 10588.* – Sections 13 to 24 of Republic Act No. 10588 are hereby renumbered as Sections 14 to 25 accordingly.

SECTION 4. *Appropriations.* – The amount currently appropriated in the General Appropriations Act for the conduct of the Palarong Pambansa including pre-national Palaro activities under the DepED shall be allocated and utilized for the initial implementation of this Act. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for its continued implementation shall be included under the budget of the DepED in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within ninety (90) days after the approval of this Act the DepED, DILG and Philippine Sports Commission, together with the other concerned agencies, shall prepare and promulgate the implementing rules and regulations (IRR) to carry out the provisions of this Act. The IRR shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in a major daily newspaper of general circulation.

SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause* – All law, decrees, ordinances, rules or regulations or parts thereof, inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby expressly repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

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

SECTION 8. *Effectivity* – This Act shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.