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HOUSE BILL NO. 3227



Introduced by **Hon. John Marvin "Yul Servo" C. Nieto**

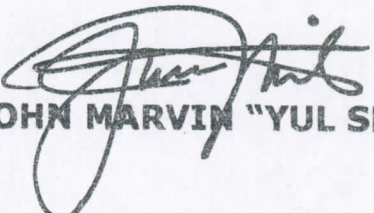
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill aims to develop and establish a local government resettlement program that will implement an on-site, in-city, or near-city strategy for informal settler families. This will ensure that the resettled families will have enhanced and sustainable access to employment and business opportunities as well as the services offered by their respective local government units.

This measure has already been approved on third reading during the 16th Congress and 17th Congress. As such, it is evident that this piece of legislation is deemed by our esteemed colleagues, as well as the constituents they represent, as a crucial measure that will bring forth real and impactful change to their lives.

The constant support that this bill has been receiving in the past two Congresses only shows that it is high time that we, as the champions of our underprivileged *kababayans*, do our best to ensure that this bill will finally be passed into law.

As a manifestation of support to the proponents of this measure - Representatives Ibarra Gutierrez III, Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte, and Alfredo "Albee" Benitez, this representation respectfully re-files this bill.


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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM THAT IMPLEMENTS AN ON-SITE, IN-CITY OR NEAR-CITY STRATEGY FOR INFORMAL SETTLER FAMILIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH A PEOPLE'S PLAN AND MANDATING THE RELOCATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT TO PROVIDE OTHER BASIC SERVICES AND LIVELIHOOD COMPONENTS IN FAVOR OF RECIPIENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7279, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING ACT OF 1992"

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

SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the "Local Government Unit Led On-site, In-City or Near-City Resettlement Act".

SEC. 2. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 7279 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.* - For purposes of this Act:

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(w) x x x; [and]

"(x) 'Zonal Improvement Program or ZIP' refers to the program of the National Housing Authority of upgrading and improving blighted squatter areas within the cities and municipalities of Metro Manila pursuant to existing statutes and pertinent executive issuances [.];

"(Y)'ADEQUATE AND RESPONSIVE CONSULTATION' REFERS TO THE STANDARD OF CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED INFORMAL SETTLER FAMILIES (ISFS) WHICH SHALL REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING:

"(1) EFFECTIVE DISSEMINATION OF RELEVANT INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTS INCLUDING LAND RECORDS, HOUSING BUDGETS, THE PROPOSED PLAN OR PROJECT, ALTERNATIVE HOUSING OPTIONS, AND COMPREHENSIVE RESETTLEMENT PLANS;

"(2) REASONABLE TIME FOR THE PUBLIC TO REVIEW AND

87 **COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED PLAN OR PROJECT;**
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89 **"(3) PROVISION BY THE GOVERNMENT OR NONGOVERNMENT**
90 **ORGANIZATIONS OF LEGAL, TECHNICAL, AND OTHER APP ADVICE**
91 **TO AFFECTED PERSONS ON THEIR RIGHTS AND OPTIONS;**

92 **"(4) PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT PROVIDE AFFECTED ISFS AND**
93 **THEIR ADVOCATES WITH OPPORTUNITIES TO COMMENT ON THE**
94 **PROPOSED RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLAN OR PRESENT**
95 **ALTERNATIVE PROPOSALS AND TO ARTICULATE THEIR DEMANDS**
96 **AND DEVELOPMENT PRIORITIES; AND**
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98 **"(5) MEDIATION, ARBITRATION, OR ADJUDICATION BY AN**
99 **INDEPENDENT BODY VESTED WITH CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY**
100 **SUCH AS A COURT OF LAW, AND AS MAY BE APPROPRIATE, IN CASE**
101 **NO AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON THE PROPOSALS OF THE**
102 **CONCERNED PARTIES;**
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104 **"(Z) 'CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS OR CSOS' REFERS TO**
105 **NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs), PEOPLE'S**
106 **ORGANIZATIONS (POS), COOPERATIVES, TRADE UNIONS,**
107 **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS,**
108 **MEDIA GROUPS, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES MOVEMENTS,**
109 **FOUNDATIONS AND OTHER CITIZEN'S GROUPS FORMED PRIMARILY**
110 **FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO PLAN AND**
111 **MONITOR GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS, ENGAGE IN**
112 **POLICY DISCUSSIONS, AND ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN**
113 **COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES WITH THE GOVERNMENT;**
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115 **"(AA) 'IN-CITY RESETTLEMENT REFERS TO A RELOCATION SITE**
116 **WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT WHERE**
117 **THE AFFECTED ISFS ARE LIVING;**
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119 **"(BB) 'INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS' REFERS TO:**

120 **"(1) RESIDENTIAL AREAS WHERE HOUSING UNITS HAVE**
121 **BEEN CONSTRUCTED BY SETTLERS ON LAND WHICH THEY**
122 **OCCUPY ILLEGALLY; OR**
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124 **"(2) UNPLANNED SETTLEMENTS AND AREAS WHERE**
125 **HOUSING IS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH EXISTING PLANNING**
126 **AND BUILDING REGULATIONS;**

127 **"(CC) 'INFORMAL SETTLER FAMILIES' OR 'ISFS' REFERS TO**
128 **FAMILIES LIVING IN INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS AS DEFINED IN THIS**
129 **ACT;**

130 “(DD) ‘ATTACHED CORPORATIONS’ REFERS TO THE
131 GOVERNMENT HOUSING AGENCIES ATTACHED TO THE DEPARTMENT
132 OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, NAMELY:
133 NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY, NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE
134 FINANCE CORPORATION, HOME DEVELOPMENT MUTUAL FUND, AND
135 SOCIAL HOUSING FINANCE CORPORATION, AS PROVIDED UNDER
136 SECTION 22 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11201, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
137 THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN
138 DEVELOPMENT ACT’;

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140 “(EE) ‘NEAR-CITY RESETTLEMENT’ REFERS TO A RELOCATION
141 SITE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF A LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT,
142 CLOSER TO THE ORIGINAL LOCATION OF THE AFFECTED ISFS, WITH
143 MINIMAL TRANSPORTATION COST BASED ON THEIR INCOME
144 PROFILE AND ADJACENT TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT THAT
145 HAS JURISDICTION OVER THEIR PRESENT SETTLEMENTS;

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147 “(FF) ‘NONGOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION’ OR ‘NGO’ REFERS
148 TO A DULY REGISTERED NONSTOCK, NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
149 FOCUSING ON THE UPLIFTMENT OF THE BASIC OR DISADVANTAGED
150 SECTORS OF SOCIETY, AS DEFINED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8425
151 OR THE SOCIAL REFORM AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION ACT’, BY
152 PROVIDING ADVOCACY, TRAINING, COMMUNITY ORGANIZING, 18
153 RESEARCH, ACCESS TO RESOURCES, AND OTHER SIMILAR
154 ACTIVITIES, AND ORGANIZED AND OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR
155 SCIENTIFIC, RESEARCH, EDUCATIONAL, CHARACTER-BUILDING
156 AND YOUTH AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH, SOCIAL
157 WELFARE, CULTURAL OR CHARITABLE PURPOSES, OR A
158 COMBINATION THEREOF, AND WHOSE NET INCOME DOES NOT
159 INURE, WHETHER PARTLY OR AS A WHOLE TO THE BENEFIT OF ANY
160 PRIVATE INDIVIDUAL, PURSUANT TO SECTION 34(H)(2)(C)(1) OF
161 REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8424, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS
162 THE “TAX REFORM ACT OF 1997’;

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164 “(GG) ‘OFF-CITY RESETTLEMENT’ REFERS TO A RELOCATION
165 SITE DEVELOPED OUTSIDE AND NOT ADJACENT TO THE LOCAL
166 GOVERNMENT UNIT WHERE THE AFFECTED ISFS ARE RESIDING;

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168 “(HH) ‘PEOPLE’S PLAN’ REFERS TO THE PLAN FORMULATED BY
169 THE BENEFICIARY-ASSOCIATION, WHICH SHALL CONTAIN A SITE
170 DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT CONFORMS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE
171 LAND USE PLAN OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT UNDER WHOSE
172 JURISDICTION THE PROJECT SITE IS PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED,
173 INCLUDING COMMUNITY HEALTH, SANITATION, AND SECURITY

174 PLANS, AS WELL AS NON-PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT COMPONENTS
175 SUCH AS SELF-HELP HOUSING COOPERATIVE, LIVELIHOOD, SELF
176 HELP DEVELOPMENT, CAPABILITY BUILDING, AND A SYSTEM OF
177 ALLOCATION OF SOCIALISED HOUSING UNITS THAT PROMOTE AND
178 PROTECT THE WELFARE OF THE ELDERLY, PERSONS WITH
179 DISABILITY, AND CHILDREN, AS DEFINED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT
180 NO. 11201 OR THE 'DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND
181 URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT'; AND

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183 "(II) 'SOCIAL PREPARATION' REFERS TO THE PROCESS OF
184 ESTABLISHING SOCIAL, ORGANIZATIONAL, AND INSTITUTIONAL
185 NORMS AND MECHANISMS. SUCH NORMS AND MECHANISMS WILL:
186 (1) ENABLE THE BENEFICIARIES TO COPE WITH CHANGES; AND (2)
187 IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CONCERNED INSTITUTIONS AND
188 STAKEHOLDERS, ENCOURAGE THE SETTLERS NOT ONLY TO WORK
189 AMONG THEMSELVES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DRAWING UP AND
190 UNDERTAKING THEIR HOUSING PROJECT PROPOSALS, BUT ALSO TO
191 ACTIVELY AND MEANINGFULLY PARTICIPATE IN HOUSING
192 PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN ON THEIR BEHALF, THUS RESOLVING
193 COLLECTIVE ACTION PROBLEMS AMONG COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND
194 COORDINATION PROBLEMS WITH GOVERNMENT AND OTHER
195 ENTITIES.";

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197 SEC. 3. Section 22 of Republic Act No. 7279 is hereby amended to read as
198 follows:

199 "SEC. 22. *Livelihood Component.* - To the extent feasible, socialized
200 housing and resettlement projects shall be located near areas where
201 employment opportunities are accessible. The government agencies dealing
202 with the **PROVISION OF SKILLS AND LIVELIHOOD TRAINING**,
203 development of livelihood programs, and grant of livelihood loans, **NAMELY:**
204 **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT, DEPARTMENT OF**
205 **SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT, DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE**
206 **AND TECHNOLOGY, TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS**
207 **DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND PHILIPINE TRADE AND TRAINING**
208 **CENTER** shall give priority to the beneficiaries of the Program."

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210 SEC. 4. Section 23 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:

211 "SEC. 23. *Participation of PROGRAM Beneficiaries, FORMATION OF*
212 **BENEFICIARY-ASSOCIATION, MAINSTREAMING SOCIAL**
213 **PREPARATION, AND FORMULATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A**
214 **PEOPLE'S PLAN.** - The local government units, in coordination with the
215 Presidential Commission for the Urban Poor and concerned government
216 agencies, shall afford Program beneficiaries or their duly designated
217 representatives an opportunity to be heard and to participate in the
218 decision-making process over matters involving the protection and

219 promotion of their legitimate collective interests which shall include
220 appropriate documentation and feedback mechanisms. They shall also be
221 encouraged to organize themselves [and undertake self-help cooperative
222 housing and other livelihood activities] **INTO AN ASSOCIATION FOR**
223 **ACCREDITATION AS BENEFICIARIES OR AWARDEES OF OWNERSHIP**
224 **RIGHTS UNDER THE RESETTLEMENT PROGRAM, COMMUNITY**
225 **MORTGAGE PROGRAM, LAND TENURE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, AND**
226 **OTHER SIMILAR PROGRAMS IN RELATION TO A SOCIALIZED**
227 **HOUSING PROJECT ACTUALLY BEING 18 IMPLEMENTED BY THE**
228 **NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OR BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS.**

229 They shall assist the Government in preventing the incursions of
230 professional squatters and members of squatting syndicates into their
231 communities.

232 "In instances when the affected beneficiaries have failed to organize
233 themselves or form an [alliance] **ASSOCIATION** within a reasonable period
234 prior to the implementation of the program or projects affecting them,
235 consultation between the implementing agency and the affected
236 beneficiaries shall be conducted with the assistance of the Presidential
237 Commission for the Urban Poor and the concerned nongovernment
238 organization **UNTIL AN ASSOCIATION IS FORMED IN PLACE.**

239 **"THE ASSOCIATION, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE**
240 **PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR, SHALL, WITH**
241 **OR WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF CSOS, FORMULATE A PEOPLE'S**
242 **PLAN.**

243 **"THE ASSOCIATION, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF CSOS AND**
244 **GOVERNMENT AGENCIES INCLUDING THE NATIONAL ANTI POVERTY**
245 **COMMISSION, PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION FOR THE URBAN POOR,**
246 **NATIONAL HOUSING AUTHORITY, CITY OR MUNICIPAL SOCIAL**
247 **WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, SOCIAL HOUSING FINANCE**
248 **CORPORATION, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, AND OTHER RELEVANT**
249 **AGENCIES OF GOVERNMENT, SHALL AGREE ON, DEVELOP, AND**
250 **IMPLEMENT THE PEOPLE'S PLAN.**

251 **"IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROTECTION GUIDELINES**
252 **PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 28 OF THIS ACT, A RELOCATION**
253 **ACTION PLAN SHALL BE AN INDISPENSABLE COMPONENT OF THE**
254 **PEOPLE'S PLAN. THE RELOCATION ACTION PLAN SHALL INCLUDE**
255 **THE FOLLOWING OBJECTIVES:**

256 **"(A) ENSURE SAFE, AFFORDABLE, DECENT, AND HUMANE**
257 **CONDITION OF RELOCATION, INCORPORATING THEREIN**
258 **APPROPRIATE DISASTER RISK REDUCTION MANAGEMENT AND**
259 **CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION STANDARDS;**

260 **"(B) PROVIDE ADEQUATE SOCIAL PREPARATION; AND**

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262 **"(C) PREVENT FORCED EVICTION: PROVIDED, THAT PRIMARY**

263 **CONSIDERATION SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE HOUSING FINANCIAL**
264 **SCHEME SUGGESTED IN THE PEOPLE'S PLAN.";**

265 SEC. 5. Section 26 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as follows:
266 "SEC. 26. *Urban Renewal and Resettlement.* – [This] **URBAN RENEWAL**
267 **AND RESETTLEMENT** shall include the rehabilitation and development of
268 blighted and slum areas and the resettlement of Program beneficiaries in
269 accordance with the provisions of this Act. On-site development shall be
270 implemented [whenever possible] **AFTER ADEQUATE AND RESPONSIVE**
271 **CONSULTATION WITH THE AFFECTED ISFS, AND IN ACCORDANCE**
272 **WITH THE PEOPLE'S PLAN FORMULATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 23**
273 **OF THIS ACT,** in order to ensure minimum movement of occupants of
274 blighted lands and slum areas. "[The] **WHERE DEMOLITION OR**
275 **EVICTON IS ALLOWED IN THE AREA OCCUPIED BY THE PROGRAM**
276 **BENEFICIARIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 28 OF THIS ACT, AND ON-**
277 **SITE RESETTLEMENT CANNOT BE UNDERTAKEN BY REASON**
278 **THEREOF, THE IN-CITY** resettlement of the beneficiaries of the Program
279 from their existing places of occupancy shall be undertaken only [when on
280 site development is not feasible and] after compliance with the procedures
281 AS ALSO laid down in Section 28 of this Act **AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH**
282 **THE PREFERENCE OF THE AFFECTED ISFS AS CONTAINED IN THE**
283 **PEOPLE'S PLAN.**

284 "SHOULD IN-CITY RESETTLEMENT NOT BE FEASIBLE, NEAR-CITY
285 RESETTLEMENT SHALL BE CONSIDERED. OFF-CITY RESETTLEMENT
286 SHALL ONLY BE RESORTED TO WHEN DIRECTLY REQUESTED BY THE
287 AFFECTED ISFS THEMSELVES, AND MUST SATISFY THE
288 REQUIREMENTS OF ADEQUATE AND RESPONSIVE CONSULTATION
289 PRIOR TO RELOCATION."

290 SEC. 6. Section 29 of the same Act is hereby amended to read as
291 follows:

292 "SEC. 29. *Resettlement.* – **THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS SHALL BE**
293 **CHARGED WITH THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING**
294 **RESETTLEMENT OF AFFECTED ISFS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE**
295 **LOCALITIES, IN COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF**
296 **HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND ITS**
297 **ATTACHED CORPORATIONS.** Within two (2) years from the effectivity of
298 this Act, the local government units, in coordination with the [National
299 Housing Authority] **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND**
300 **URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND ITS ATTACHED CORPORATIONS,** shall
301 implement the relocation and resettlement of [persons] ISFS living in
302 danger areas such as *esteros*, railroad tracks, garbage dumps, riverbanks,
303 shorelines, waterways, and in other public places such as sidewalks, roads,
304 parks, and playgrounds. The local government unit, in coordination with the
305 [National Housing Authority] **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS**
306 **AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND ITS ATTACHED CORPORATIONS,**
307 shall provide relocation or resettlement sites with basic services and
308 facilities and access to employment and livelihood opportunities sufficient to

309 meet the basic needs of the affected families. FOR THIS PURPOSE, THE
310 LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT MAY PURCHASE LANDS OUTSIDE ITS
311 JURISDICTION.

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313 "WHERE THE LAND OCCUPIED BY THE ISFS IS PRIVATELY-
314 OWNED, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT SHALL, IN COORDINATION
315 WITH THE HUMAN SETTLEMENTS ADJUDICATION COMMISSION AS
316 PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 12 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11201,
317 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
318 SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT ACT', NEGOTIATE WITH
319 THE OWNER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE OCCUPIED PROPERTY.
320 SHOULD NEGOTIATION FAIL, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT MAY
321 RESORT TO EXPROPRIATION.

322 "IN INSTANCES WHEN THE RELOCATION OR RESETTLEMENT SITE IS
323 LOCATED IN ANOTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT, THE LOCAL
324 GOVERNMENT UNIT THAT IMPLEMENTS THE RELOCATION OR
325 RESETTLEMENT AND THE CONCERNED NATIONAL GOVERNMENT
326 AGENCIES SHALL, THROUGH A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT,
327 PROVIDE THE OTHER BASIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES
328 ENUMERATED UNDER SECTION 21 OF THIS ACT, INCLUDING A
329 LIVELIHOOD COMPONENT FOR THE BENEFICIARIES BEING
330 RELOCATED, TO THE RECIPIENT LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNIT WHERE
331 THE RELOCATION OR RESETTLEMENT SITE IS LOCATED.

332 "THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SETTLEMENTS AND URBAN
333 DEVELOPMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE - BUREAU OF
334 LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE SHALL FORMULATE THE
335 IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS ON THE COST-SHARING
336 MECHANISM NECESSARY TO FULLY IMPLEMENT THE PROVISION OF
337 SUCH OTHER BASIC SERVICES AND FACILITIES.

338 "IN ADDITION TO THE FUNDING SOURCES PROVIDED UNDER
339 SECTION 42 OF THIS ACT, THE ALLOCATION FOR THE BASIC
340 SERVICES AND FACILITIES MAY BE TAKEN BY THE LOCAL
341 GOVERNMENT UNIT IMPLEMENTING THE RELOCATION OR
342 RESETTLEMENT FROM THE TWENTY PERCENT (20%) OF THE
343 INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT APPROPRIATED FOR DEVELOPMENT
344 PROJECTS AS MANDATED UNDER SECTION 287 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO.
345 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF
346 1991'."

347 SEC. 7. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - The principles, policies and
348 provisions of this Act shall be incorporated in the National Shelter Program.

349 The Department of Human Settlements and Urban Development and
350 the Department of the Interior and Local Government, in consultation and
351 coordination with appropriate government agencies, CSOs, NGOs,
352 representatives from the private sector, and ISFs, shall promulgate a new set
353 of implementing rules and regulations within sixty (60) days from the

354 effectivity of this Act. The implementing rules and regulations shall be
355 consistent with the provisions of this Act, particularly with the amendments,
356 parameters, and standards introduced to Sections 22, 23, 26, and 29 of the
357 "Urban Development and Housing Act of 1992", and shall include the
358 following:

359 (a) A People's Plan template to guide ISFs in the development of their
360 own People's Plan: *Provided*, That such template shall be a complete *pro*
361 *forma* People's Plan: *Provided*, *however*, That such a template shall be used
362 to benchmark the minimum standards in a People's Plan; and

363 (b) A guide to effective implementation of the People's Plan,
364 including details on the necessity of the issuance of internal memoranda by
365 concerned agencies. The implementing rules and regulations issued
366 pursuant to this section shall take effect thirty (30) days after its
367 publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

368 SEC.8. *Repealing Clause*. - All laws, decrees, executive orders,
369 proclamations, rules and regulations, and other issuances, or parts thereof which
370 are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or
371 modified accordingly.

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373 SEC. 9. *Separability Clause*. - If, for any reason, any part, section or
374 provision of this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not
375 affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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377 SEC. 10. *Effectivity*. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
378 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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380 *Approved*,