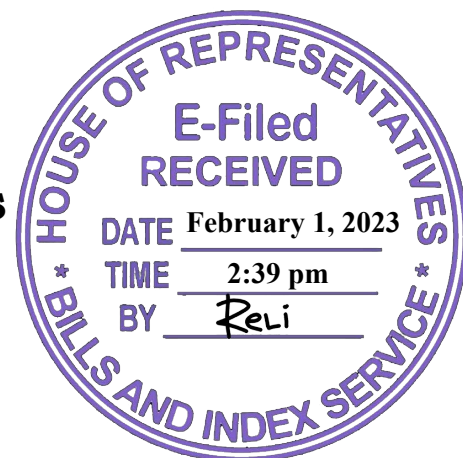


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House Bill No. 7037



Introduced by: **REPRESENTATIVE EDWIN L. OLIVAREZ**

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The barangay officials and employees in our country are frontliners who are tasked to respond quickly to the immediate needs of the citizens. Barangay officials and employees are in charge of delivering first level assistance to the Filipinos. This is why the barangay is considered as the basic political unit of our country. Being the basic political unit, it is palpable that people who work for the barangays are continuously and tirelessly serving citizens day in and day out. However, it is also quite known that the compensation received by these people is disproportionate to the workload that they have. Not only that, the retirement benefits granted to barangay officials and employees are also menial.

In order to recognize the efforts exerted by the barangay officials and employees, this bill aims to grant them lump sum retirement pay equivalent to their one-year honorarium. This is to give due recognition to barangay workers who not only served diligently but also have served their respective barangays for many years.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of the Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as the “The Local Government Code of 1991”, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. – (a) Barangay officials, including barangay tanods and members of the Lupong Tagapamayapa, shall receive honorarium, allowance, and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the provision of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than One Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) per month for the punong barangay and Six Hundred Pesos (P600.00) per month for the sangguniang barangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary: Provided, however, That the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitation prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code.

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“(3) BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM WHICH SHALL IN NO CASE EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) TO BE TAKEN FROM THE BARANGAY RETIREMENT FUND; PROVIDED, THAT A RETIREE IS AT LEAST (60) YEARS OF AGE WITH A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) YEARS IN SERVICE AT THE TIME OF HIS/HER RETIREMENT.

[(3)] (4) xxx

[(4)] (5) xxx

[(5)] (6) xxx

(c) xxx

(d) xxx”

SECTION 2. *Barangay Retirement Fund Created.* – There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement Fund which shall serve to fund the retirement of Barangay officials and personnel mentioned in the preceding paragraph. The amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the share of the national government under Section 284 of the Local Government Code of 1991, as amended, shall be used for this purpose.

The appropriate disbursement of the Barangay Retirement Fund shall be under the administration of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG).

SECTION 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Department of Budget and Management, in coordination with the DILG, shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementing of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 5. *Repealing Clause.* – All act, executive orders, memorandum circular/guidelines and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in Two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.