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HOUSE BILL NO. 9004



Introduced by Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide an extension of the waived requirements for entry of former Moro Islamic Liberation Front and Moro National Liberation Front members into the Philippine National Police, pursuant to the provisions of the Bangsamoro Organic Law. The National Police Commission regulates the entry of individuals into the Philippine National Police and provide the guidelines and documentary requirements to be complied by the applicants.

This legislative measure intends to give ample time to the former MILF and MNLF combatants to apply for the vacant positions in the Police Regional Office in the Bangsamoro, since there have been a significant gap between the ratification of the Bangsamoro Organic Law and the formulation of guidelines by the NAPOLCOM and the Inter-Governmental Relations Body. This bill also aims to realize the compliance to the Annex on Normalization under the Comprehensive Agreement on the Bangsamoro (CAB) and the Framework Agreement on the Bangsamoro (FAB) for the reintegration of the MILF Combatants to mainstream society.

In view of the foregoing premises, the prompt approval of this measure is earnestly sought and recommended.

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AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 ARTICLE XI OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11054, THE ORGANIC LAW FOR THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXTENDING THE AVAILMENT PERIOD OF WAIVED REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL POLICE COMMISSION TO FACILITATE THE ENTRY OF MORO ISLAMIC LIBERATION FRONT AND MORO NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT MEMBERS IN THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Article XI of RA 11054 or the Bangsamoro Organic Law, is hereby amended to include the following and read as follows:

"Section 2. Public Order and Safety. – The Philippine National Police shall create a Police Regional Office in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region which shall be organized, maintained, supervised, and utilized for the primary purpose of law enforcement and maintenance of peace and order in the Bangsamoro in accordance with Republic Act No. 6975, otherwise known as the "*Department of Interior and Local Government Act of 1990*" as amended by Republic Act No. 8551, otherwise known as the "Philippine National Police Reform and Reorganization Act of 1998." The Police Regional Office in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region shall be under the direct operational control and supervision of the Philippine National Police.

The Police Regional Office in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region shall be headed by a Regional Director who shall, upon consultation with the Chief Minister, be appointed in accordance with Republic Act No. 6975, as amended.

To facilitate entry into the Philippine National Police of Moro Islamic Liberation Front and Moro National Liberation Front members from the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, the age, height, and educational attainment requirements may be waived by the National Police Commission, subject to existing rules and regulations: *Provided, THAT SUCH SHALL BE AVAILED OF WITHIN A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS FROM RATIFICATION OF THIS ORGANIC LAW: Provided, further, That the requirement of educational attainment shall be complied within fifteen (15) years from their entry: Provided,*

finally, That their ranks and grades shall be subject to existing laws, rules and regulations governing the Philippine National Police.

SECTION 2. Separability Clause. - If any section or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the other section or provision not so declared shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. - All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its complete publication in the Official Gazette and in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation, and one (1) local newspaper of general circulation in the autonomous region.

Approved,