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Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE FRANCISCO PAOLO P. ORTEGA V**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Barangay is the basic political unit and in the forefront of government service. As such, barangay officials should be given the opportunity and necessary time not only to effectively implement programs and projects but to ensure continuity and sustainability.

Thus, the three-year term of barangay officials is seen as too short a time to allow for meaningful engagement with the people, who may have been divided because of the political exercise. The additional years to the term of office will provide the opportunity for barangay officials to ensure that plans, programs and projects would come into its fruition during the term.

The foregoing considered, I hereby request for the approval of this bill.


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AN ACT
INCREASING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS FROM
THREE (3) YEARS TO FIVE (5) YEARS THEREBY AMENDING SECTION
43 OF RA 7160 OR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

SEC. 1. The Local Government Code of 1991, Section 43 reads:

Section 43: Term of Office. – (a) The term of office of all local elective officials elected after the effectivity of this Code shall be three (3) years, starting from noon of June 30, 1992 or such date as may be provided for by law, except that of elective Barangay officials; Provided, That all local officials first elected during the local elections immediately following the ratification of the 1987 Constitution shall serve until noon of June 30, 1992.

(b) No local elective official shall serve for more than three (3) consecutive terms in the same position. Voluntary renunciation of the office for any length of time shall not be considered as an interruption in the continuity of service for the full term for which the effective official concerned was elected.

(c) The term of office of Barangay officials and members of the Sangguniang kabataan shall be for three (3) years, which shall

begin after the regular election of Barangay officials on the second Monday of May 1994.

SEC. 2. The amendment to the Local Government Code of 1991, particularly Section 43, paragraph c shall read:

(c) The The term of office of Barangay officials and members of the Sangguniang kabataan shall be for [three (3) years] **FIVE (5) YEARS.**

SEC. 3. The amendment introduced shall apply to the next Barangay elections to be held after the effectivity of this Act and every Barangay elections thereafter.

SEC. 4. All laws, Presidential decrees and issuances, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.