



Republic of the Philippines
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HOUSE BILL NO. **1423**

Introduced by HON. ROMERO FEDERICO “MIRO” QUIMBO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Senior citizens, persons with disability (PWDs), and solo parents constitute a significant part of the Philippine population. According to the Philippine Statistics Authority, there were 12,336,355 Filipino senior citizens in 2020, or 11.3 percent of the total population in that year. Filipino PWDs numbered 1,442,586, or 1.6 percent of the total 2010 population, according to the 2010 Census. Meanwhile, there were 221,813 solo parents out of 22,975,630 households in 2015, based on the 2015 Census.

These vulnerable sectors face various economic and health risks. Further, the inadequacy of financial resources is confounded with issues that are specific to the sectors. For instance, the Philippine Institute for Development Studies reported that 59% or 101.2 billion of the total health disbursements for the elderly were paid out of their pockets or that of their family members. Meanwhile, PWDs are less likely to be employed, making them financially insecure.

Hence, this bill seeks to authorize the allocation of two percent (2%) of the total allotment for barangays for the implementation of plans, programs, projects, activities, and services each for senior citizens, PWDs, and solo parents. With the expedient approval of this bill, the State will have increased capacity to promote the welfare of our senior citizens, PWDs, and solo parents.

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

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**AN ACT INSTITUTIONALIZING A SIX PERCENT BUDGETARY
ALLOCATION OF BARANGAYS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, ACTIVITIES, AND SERVICES FOR SENIOR
CITIZENS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, AND SOLO PARENTS,
AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL
GOVERNMENT CODE" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

**SECTION 1. Allocation for Programs for Senior Citizens, Persons with
Disability, and Solo Parents.** - Section 285 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended,
is hereby further amended with the insertion of a new proviso as follows:

"SECTION 285. Allocation to Local Government Units - The share of local
government units in the allotment shall be allocated in the following manner:

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PROVIDED, THAT SIX PERCENT (6%) OF THE TOTAL ALLOTMENT ALLOCATED TO THE BARANGAYS SHALL BE USED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, ACTIVITIES, AND SERVICES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS, PERSONS WITH DISABILITY, AND SOLO PARENTS, TO BE DIVIDED EQUALLY AMONG SENIOR CITIZENS (2%), PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (2%), AND SOLO PARENTS (2%)."

SECTION 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations. — Within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act, the Department of Interior and Local Government shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 3. Separability Clause. — If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remaining provisions thereof not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. - All other laws, decrees, orders, rules, regulations, ordinances, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity- This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,