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EXPLANATORY NOTE

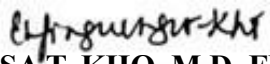
This bill aims to establish a Barangay Retirement Fund (BRF) to provide much-deserved retirement pay for Barangay officials and volunteer workers like Barangay Tanods, Day Care Workers, and members of the Lupon ng Tagapamayapa.

Barangay workers are the backbone of local governance, delivering essential social services and maintaining peace and order at the community level. Despite their crucial role and dedication, they often receive minimal compensation due to limited government resources.

Many of these dedicated individuals have committed years of their lives to serving their communities without adequate recognition for their tireless efforts. This bill seeks to acknowledge and reward their invaluable service, ensuring they receive the retirement benefits they deserve.

The approval of this measure is a crucial step in honoring those who have selflessly dedicated themselves to their respective barangays.

Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

PROVIDING ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS, A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 393 OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 7160, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991"

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

SECTION 1. Section 393 of Republic Act Number (RA) 7160, as amended, otherwise known as 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 Lupon Tagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance with the provisions 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 limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code;

"(b) [NO CHANGE TO SUBSECTION (B) OF ORIGINAL LAW]

"(c) BE ENTITLED TO A LUMP SUM RETIREMENT PAY EQUIVALENT TO ONE (1) YEAR HONORARIUM, BUT IN NO CASE SHALL EXCEED ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P100,000.00) TO BE TAKEN FROM THE BARANGAY RETIREMENT FUND: PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT A RETIREE IS AT LEAST SIXTY

(60) YEARS OF AGE WITH A MINIMUM OF NINE (9) YEARS IN SERVICE AT THE TIME OF RETIREMENT.

"AS USED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERM 'RETIREE' SHALL INCLUDE ALL BARANGAY OFFICIALS, INCLUDING BARANGAY TANODS, MEMBERS OF THE LUPON NG TAGAPAMAYAPA, AND BARANGAY DAY CARE WORKERS.

"(d) [(3)] x x x

"(e) [(4)] x x x

"(f) [(5)] x x x"

SECTION 2. Barangay Retirement Fund. There is hereby created a Barangay Retirement Fund (BRF) which shall be used to finance the retirement benefits of Barangay officials mentioned in this Act. 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 Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall administer and ensure the appropriate disbursement of the BRF.

SECTION 3. Renumbering of Sections. The consequent sections of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, particularly those following the amended Section 393, are hereby renumbered accordingly.

SECTION 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM), in coordination with the DILG, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act within sixty (60) days from its effectivity.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,