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HOUSE BILL NO. 2774



**Introduced by Representatives Ferdinand Martin G.
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) has long served as a primary mechanism for youth participation in local governance. However, despite the enactment of Republic Act No. 10742 and its subsequent amendment through Republic Act No. 11768 — collectively known as the “Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Law” and the “Sangguniang Kabataan Empowerment Law” — the role of the SK National Representative remains largely undefined in terms of accountability, consultation, and mechanisms for inclusive decision-making.

This bill, titled the “SK National Accountability and Consultation Act of 2025,” seeks to institutionalize meaningful participation, transparency, and representation in national youth governance by providing clear mechanisms for accountability and inclusive decision-making.

First, the bill mandates the annual conduct of a National Consultation, to be attended by all duly elected SK Federation Presidents from the municipal, city, and provincial levels. This consultation will serve as a venue for presenting the SK National Representative’s performance and legislative agenda, gathering feedback, and setting directions for national youth development.

Second, the bill mandates the formation of an SK National Executive Board within thirty (30) days upon assumption of office of the SK National Representative. This Board, composed of federation presidents elected from Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao, will serve as the principal advisory and policy-making body for the SK National Representative, ensuring that their programs and advocacies are collectively formulated and responsive to the grassroots realities of the Filipino youth.

To strengthen oversight, the bill also requires the SK National Representative to submit an Annual Performance Report to the National Youth Commission (NYC) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and make it accessible to the public to promote transparency.

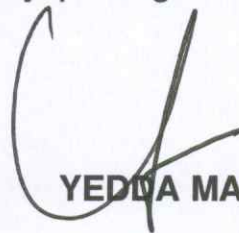
Through these measures, the bill ensures that youth leadership is not only representative but also accountable, participatory, and transparent. It echoes the constitutional mandate to encourage youth involvement in public affairs and strengthens democratic governance within the Sangguniang Kabataan framework.

This is one of the bills proposed during the first Eastern Visayas Young Leaders Parliament held on December 11–15, 2024.

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



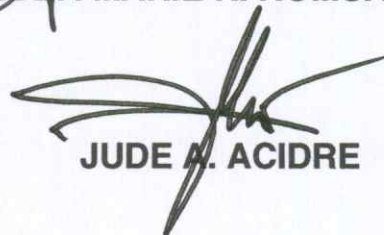
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AN ACT
PROVIDING MECHANISMS AND ACCOUNTABILITY
MEASURES TO THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN NATIONAL
REPRESENTATIVE, MANDATING THE CONSTITUTION OF A
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE CONDUCT OF ANNUAL
NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS

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

Section 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the “**SK National Accountability and Consultation Act of 2025.**”

Section 2. Declaration of Policy. - It is the policy of the State to uphold transparency, inclusivity, and democratic participation in all youth governance mechanisms, including the mandate and operations of the Sangguniang Kabataan National Representative.

Section 3. Annual National Consultation. The SK National Representative shall be mandated to convene a national consultation to

be held annually and shall be attended by all duly elected Presidents of the Pambayang, Panlungsod, and Panlalawigang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan.

The Annual Consultation shall serve as a platform to: present annual reports and legislative agenda; gather feedback and suggestion from federation presidents pertaining to issues surrounding their office; set directions and priorities for national youth development; ensure participatory decision-making in national youth policies; and such other matters inherent and consequential to their operation.

Section 4. Date of Consultation. - The date of the annual consultation shall be held no later than **September 30** of each year. The date may be rescheduled on another date provided it is determined for meritorious and compelling cause. Failure to convene the consultation shall result in the imposition of administrative penalty to the SK National President.

Section 5. Constitution of the SK National Executive Board. Within thirty (30) days upon assumption of office, the SK National Representative shall constitute the SK National Executive Board, which shall be composed of representatives elected from among the Pambayang, Panlungsod, and Panlalawigang Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang Kabataan Presidents during their first National Consultation.

The National Executive Board shall:

- Assist in the formulation and implementation of national SK policies;
- Serve as an advisory and policy-making body;
- Convene at least twice a year or as often as necessary.

The SK National President shall serve as the chair of the board and he/she shall be assisted by three (3) vice chairpersons representing Luzon, Visayas, and Mindanao, and such other officers as may be determined by their body.

The operations of the National Executive Board shall further be outlined in the Constitution and By-Laws to be drafted and adopted by the Sangguniang Kabataan Pederasyon Presidents.

Section 6. Reporting and Accountability. - The SK National Representative shall submit an **Annual Performance Report** to the National Youth Commission and the Department of the Interior and Local Government, and make it publicly available within **sixty (60) days** after the conclusion of the Annual Consultation.

Section 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the National Youth Commission (NYC) and the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) shall jointly issue an implementing rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Section 8. Separability Clause. - If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder thereof not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, letters of instruction, proclamations or administrative regulations that are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

Section 10. Effectivity. - Notwithstanding the non-issuance of the implementing rules and regulations, this Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,