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HOUSE BILL NO. 5656



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Introduced by: **REP. SALVADOR A. PLEYTO, SR.**

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### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The proposed House Bill aims to separate and establish two (2) new barangays, Barangay Matictic North and Barangay Matictic South, from the existing Barangay Matictic in the Municipality of Norzagaray, Province of Bulacan.

The primary reason for subdividing a barangay, particularly one like Matictic, which has a large population (13,553 in 2020 based on census data) and potentially a large land area, centers on enhancing local governance and service delivery.

Subdividing it into smaller, more manageable units allows the new barangay governments to focus on the distinct needs of their smaller populations, resulting in more responsive and efficient delivery of basic services like health, sanitation, and peace and order. It will also allow for closer community ties and more direct participation of residents in local decision-making. The officials in the new barangays will be physically and administratively closer to their constituents.

The new barangays, once legally created by an Act of Congress and following a successful plebiscite, will be entitled to their own share of the National Tax Allotment (NTA), which is crucial for funding local programs, projects, and administrative operations.

The creation of these new barangays is governed by the Local Government Code of 1991 (Republic Act No. 7160).

In view of the above, the passage of this measure is hereby earnestly sought.

  
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**AN ACT SUBDIVIDING BARANGAY MATICTIC IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NORZAGARAY, PROVINCE OF BULACAN, INTO TWO (2) DISTINCT AND SEPARATE BARANGAYS TO BE KNOWN AS BARANGAY MATICTIC NORTH AND BARANGAY MATICTIC SOUTH**

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

**SECTION 1.** *Subdivision of Barangay Matictic* - Barangay Matictic in the Municipality of Norzagaray, Province of Bulacan is hereby subdivided into two (2) distinct and separate barangays.

**SEC. 2.** *Composition* – The existing puroks and sitios shall comprise the new barangays as follows:

1. Barangay Matictic North shall be composed of the following:

Proper  
Coral

2. Barangay Matictic South shall be composed of the following:

Padling  
Gulod  
Sapang Kawayan  
Lupa  
Malaganit

**SEC. 3.** *Conduct and Supervision of Plebiscite* - Pursuant to Section 10 of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, otherwise known as "The Local Government Code of 1991", the new barangays shall exist upon the majority of votes cast by the qualified voters of Barangay Matictic in a plebiscite to be conducted by the Commission on Election (COMELEC) in the areas affected, within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

The expense for such plebiscite shall be borne by the Municipality of Norzagaray, Bulacan.

**SEC. 4.** *Appointment of Interim Barangay Officials* - There shall be a Punong Barangay, seven (7) Sangguniang Barangay Members, a Sangguniang Kabataan Chairman, and seven (7) Sangguniang Kabataan Members in each of the newly created barangays, which shall be appointed by the Mayor of Norzagaray. Such barangay officials shall serve until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

**SEC. 5.** *Incumbent Barangay Officials* - The incumbent barangay officials of Barangay Matictic, Norzagaray shall continue to exercise their powers, duties, and functions until new barangay officials therein shall have been duly appointed.

**SEC. 6.** *National Tax Allotment Shares* - Barangay Matictic North and Barangay Matictic South, all in the Municipality of Norzagaray, Bulacan, shall be entitled to National Tax Allotment shares pursuant to Section 285 of R.A. No. 7160, as amended.

**SEC. 7.** *Public Infrastructure and Facilities* - All existing public infrastructures and facilities existing therein at the time of the approval of this Act are hereby transferred without cost or compensation and shall be administered by the new barangays.

**SEC. 8.** *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*