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House Bill No. **8886**



Introduced by Representative **ROLANDO M. VALERIANO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On March 24, 2026, President Ferdinand Marcos Jr. issued Executive Order (E.O.) No. 110 declaring a State of National Energy Emergency following major global oil supply disruptions caused by the war in Iran and the closure of the Strait of Hormuz. The resulting energy constraints have created significant operational and logistical challenges nationwide.

The conduct of the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections requires a stable and reliable power supply to ensure orderly and credible proceedings. Holding the elections as scheduled on November 6, 2026 risks operational disruptions, undermining election integrity, and placing additional strain on limited energy resources needed for essential services, including hospitals, water systems, public safety, and economic activity.

To allow the government to focus on stabilizing the energy situation and to safeguard the integrity of the elections, it is prudent to postpone the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections for six (6) months.

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


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**AN ACT POSTPONING THE NEXT REGULAR BARANGAY AND
SANGGUNIAN KABATAAN ELECTIONS SCHEDULED UNDER REPUBLIC
ACT NO. 12232 ON NOVEMBER 2, 2026 TO MAY 3, 2027 (OR A PERIOD OF SIX
(6) MONTHS), AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Postponement of the Next Regular Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections. – The Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections scheduled on November 2, 2026 are hereby postponed the first (1st) Monday of May 2027 (or for a period of six (6) months).

SECTION 2. Hold-Over Provision. – All incumbent barangay officials shall remain in office in a hold-over capacity until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified, unless sooner removed or suspended for cause in accordance with existing laws.

SECTION 3. Implementing Authority. – The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act and shall ensure that adequate contingency measures are in place to address energy-related concerns during the rescheduled elections.

SECTION 4. Appropriations. – Funds previously appropriated for the conduct of the Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections shall remain available for the rescheduled elections and may be used by the COMELEC in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

SECTION 5. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. Separability Clause. – If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

APPROVED.