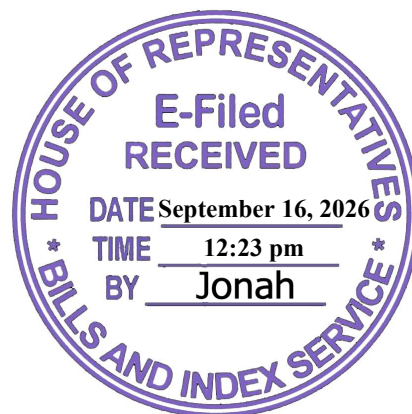




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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 641

Submitted by the Committee on Local Government on September 16, 2026

Re: House Bill No. 11358

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2611

Sponsors: Representatives Florencio T. Miraflores and Kenneth T. Gatchalian

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Local Government, to which was referred **House Bill No. 2611**, introduced by Representative Kenneth T. Gatchalian, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF DETERMINING THE RANKING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, FOR PURPOSES OF SUCCESSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 21 OF THE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8256, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA”

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 11358, entitled:

“AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF DETERMINING THE RANKING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, FOR PURPOSES OF SUCCESSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 21 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8526, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE ‘CHARTER OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA’”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 2611, with Representatives Kenneth T. Gatchalian and Florencio T. Miraflores as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


REP. FLORENCIO T. MIRAFLORES
Chairperson
Committee on Local Government

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
House of Representatives
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HOUSE BILL NO. 11358
(In substitution of House Bill No. 2611)

Introduced by **Representatives Kenneth T. Gatchalian and Florencio T. Miraflores**

AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE MANNER OF DETERMINING THE RANKING OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIAN PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, FOR PURPOSES OF SUCCESSION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 21 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8526, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "CHARTER OF THE CITY OF VALENZUELA"

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

SECTION 1. Section 21 of Republic Act No. 8526, otherwise known as the "Charter of the City of Valenzuela", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 21. Permanent Vacancy in the Office of the City Mayor and City Vice Mayor.- (a) If a permanent vacancy occurs in the office of the city mayor, the city vice mayor concerned shall become the city mayor. If a permanent vacancy occurs in the office of the **CITY** vice mayor, the highest ranking sangguniang panlungsod member or, in case of his permanent incapacity, the second highest ranking sangguniang panlungsod member, shall become the city mayor or city vice mayor, as the case may be. Subsequent vacancies in the said offices shall be filled automatically by the other sanggunian members according to their ranking as defined herein.

(b) A tie between or among the highest ranking sangguniang panlungsod members shall be resolved by the drawing of lots.

(c) The successors as defined herein shall serve only the unexpired terms of their predecessors.

For purposes of this Act, a permanent vacancy arises when an elective local official fills a higher vacant office, refuses to assume office, fails to qualify, dies, is removed from office, voluntarily resigns or is

1 otherwise permanently incapacitated to discharge the functions of **THE**
2 [his] office.
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4 For purposes of succession as provided in this Act, **THE** ranking
5 **OF THE MEMBERS OF THE** [in the] sanggunian shall be determined on
6 the basis of the proportion of votes obtained by each winning candidate to
7 the total number of registered voters in **EACH DISTRICT IN** the City in the
8 immediately preceding local election.”
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10 **SEC. 2.** All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations,
11 and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this
12 are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.
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14 **SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
15 *Official Gazette* or in a national newspaper of general circulation.
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18 Approved,
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