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Senate Bill No. 1757

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**AN ACT**

**FIXING THE DATE OF REGULAR ELECTIONS FOR ELECTIVE OFFICIALS OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9054, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO STRENGTHEN AND EXPAND THE ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6734, ENTITLED "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR AN ORGANIC ACT FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO", AS AMENDED.**

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

1        1    **SECTION 1. *Date of Election.*** – The second regular election for Regional  
2 Governor, Regional Vice-Governor and Members of the Regional Legislative Assembly  
3 of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM) shall be held on the second  
4 Monday of September 2005. Succeeding regular elections shall be held every three (3)  
5 years thereafter.

6        2    **SECTION 2. *Term of Office.*** – The term of office of the Regional Governor,  
7 Regional Vice-Governor and Members of the Regional Legislative Assembly of the  
8 ARMM shall be for a period of three (3) years, which shall commence at noon on the  
9 30<sup>th</sup> day of September 2005 and shall end at noon of the same date three (3) years  
10 thereafter.

11        3    **SECTION 3. *Hold-over.*** – All incumbent elective officials of the ARMM elected in  
12 the first regular election under Republic Act No. 9054 and Republic Act No. 9140 shall  
13 hold office, in a hold-over capacity, until noon of the 30th day of September 2005 or until  
14 their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

15        4    **SECTION 4. *Rules and Regulations.*** – The Commission on Elections shall  
16 promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to carry out the purpose of this Act.

17        5    **SECTION 5. *Separability clause.*** – All laws, decrees, orders, rules and  
18 regulations, and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act,  
19 are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

20        6    **SECTION 6. *Effectivity clause.*** – This Act shall take effect three (3) days from  
21 the completion of its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,