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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Philippine Constitution recognizes "the vital role of the youth in nation building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being" and requires the State to "inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs." This is, of course, not without the concordant responsibilities on the part of the youth of the land who are called upon to participate in program towards the achievement of our national goals.

The trouble is that the youth sector is itself besieged by problems like lack of educational opportunities, unemployment, drugs, and similar other socio-cultural barriers. The Sangguniang Kabataan, the youth arm of the local governments championing the cause of the Filipino youth, need financial resources to mobilize themselves as engine for the realization of the projects and programs of the sector and effectively tackle the problems confronting them.

This piece of legislation hopes to bridge the gap. The proposed legislation mandates a ten percent (10%) share in the internal revenue allotment of barangays for the Filipino youth and requires the automatic release of the share to the SK to keep the fund out of the bureaucratic red-tape that plagues government offices.

The development of the Filipino youth is the development of our people.

Premises stated, speedy approval of this bill is hereby recommended.

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AN ACT

ALLOCATING TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT (IRA) ALLOCATED TO BARANGAYS TO THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, MANDATING THE AUTOMATIC RELEASE THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE PERTINENT PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED SEVENTY-ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY (R.A. NO. 7160), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE" AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Sec. 285 of Republic Act No. 7160 is hereby amended with the insertion of a new proviso, as follows:

"SEC. 285. Allocation to Local Government Units - The share of local government units in the internal revenue allotment shall be allocated in the following manner:

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PROVIDED, THAT THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN SHALL BE ENTITLED TO TEN PERCENT (10%) OF THE TOTAL INTERNAL REVENUE ALLOTMENT ALLOCATED TO BARANGAYS;

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SEC. 2. Sec. 286 of the same law is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 286. Automatic Release of Shares. (a) The share of each local government unit AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN shall be released, without need of any further action, directly to the provincial, city, municipal, [or] barangay OR SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN treasurer, as the case may be, on a quarterly basis within five (5) days after the end of quarter, and which shall not be subject to any lien or holdback that may be imposed by the National Government for whatever purposes.

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SEC. 3. The Department of Interior and Local Government shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 4. All laws, decrees, orders and similar issuances or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,

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