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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Elected and appointed barangay officials are often the front-liners in the execution of local government activities and projects and in the maintenance of peace and order situation at the grassroots level. Additionally, barangay officials are also primarily involved in helping the citizenry in the resolution and settlement of disputes through the *Katarungang Pangbarangay* and thus, help a great deal in reducing the number of litigated cases that may eventually end up in courts. However, barangay officials receive only a token amount as honorarium or allowance under Section 393(A) of the Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local Government Code of 1991*, notwithstanding the variety and number of important public functions and services that they perform. The honorarium or allowance that barangay officials are presently receiving is very minimal that it makes them the least paid government employees.

This bill, therefore, seeks to fix and/or increase the monthly pay of elected and appointed barangay officials, namely: punong barangay, members of the sangguniang barangay, barangay secretary, barangay treasurer, barangay tanods, and members of the lupong tagapamayapa. This adjustment in the monthly pays of barangay officials is very timely considering that the country is currently experiencing unprecedented highs in food and oil prices. Moreover, such adjustment is a form of recognition and reward to the men and women who contribute significantly to the betterment and success of barangay governance, which is an indispensable element of local autonomy.

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

  
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Senator

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AN ACT

UPGRADING THE MONTHLY PAY OF ELECTIVE AND APPOINTIVE BARANGAY OFFICIALS, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SECTION 393(A) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.”

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 393 (a) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the *Local*  
2 *Government of 1991*, is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 SEC. 393. *Benefits of Barangay Officials.* (a) Barangay officials[,  
4 including barangay tanods and members of the lupong tagapamayapa,] shall  
5 receive [honoraria, allowances, and such other emoluments as may be  
6 authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance in accordance  
7 with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than One  
8 Thousand Pesos (P1,000.00) and Six Hundred Pesos (P600.00) per month for  
9 the sangguniang barangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay  
10 secretary] THE FOLLOWING BENEFITS: (A) SALARY OF NOT LESS THAN  
11 SIX THOUSAND PESOS (PHP6,000.00) PER MONTH FOR THE PUNONG  
12 BARANGAY; (B) SALARY OF NOT LESS THAN FOUR THOUSAND PESOS  
13 (PHP4,000.00) PER MONTH FOR THE SANGGUNIANG BARANGAY  
14 MEMBERS; (C) SALARY OF NOT LESS THAN TWO THOUSAND PESOS  
15 (PHP2,000.00) PER MONTH FOR THE BARANGAY TREASURER AND

1 BARANGAY SECRETARY; AND (D) ALLOWANCE OR HONORARIUM OF  
2 NOT LESS THAN ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED PESOS (PHP1,200.00)  
3 PER MONTH FOR BARANGAY TANODS AND MEMBERS OF THE  
4 LUPONG TAGAPAMAYAPA. SUCH BENEFITS SHALL BE IN ADDITION  
5 TO THE ALLOWANCES AND SUCH OTHER EMOLUMENTS AS MAY BE  
6 AUTHORIZED BY LAW OR BARANGAY, MUNICIPAL OR CITY  
7 ORDINANCE, AS THE CASE MAY BE, Provided, However, that the annual  
8 appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary  
9 limitations prescribed under title 5, Book II of this Code.”

10 SEC. 2. *Implementation.* – The Secretary of the Department of Interior and Local  
11 Government shall issue the necessary rules and regulations, circulars and orders to  
12 implement the provisions of this Act.

13 SEC. 3. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
14 publication in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.