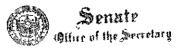
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Barangays, being an administrative division and a local government unit, are the front lines of government service. Given its close proximity to our homes and workplaces, barangays and its officials are expected to function above and beyond the normal service hours extended by government to the people.

Thus, it is the objective of this bill to increase the benefits of barangay officials given their twenty-four hour work, and as the most visible faces of government service. We submit.

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AN ACT

AMENDING PARAGRAPH (A), SECTION 393, CHAPTER IV, TITLE I, BOOK III OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, AS AMENDED, INCREASING THE BENEFITS OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS

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

SECTION 1. Paragraph (a),Section 393, Chapter IV, Title I, Book III of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 393. Benefits of Barangay Officials. -

5 (a) Barangay officials, including barangaytanods and members of the 6 lupongtagapamayapa, shall receive honoraria, allowances, and such other 7 emoluments as may be authorized by law or barangay, municipal or city ordinance 8 in accordance with the provisions of this Code, but in no case shall it be less than [One thousand pesos (P1,000.00)] TWENTY PERCENT (20%) ABOVE THE 9 MINIMUM WAGE RATE PREVAILING IN THE REGION per month for the 10 punongbarangay and [Six hundred pesos (P600.00)] THE MINIMUM WAGE 11 12° **RATE PREVAILING IN THE REGION** per month for the sangguniangbarangay members, barangay treasurer, and barangay secretary: Provided, however, That 13 14 the annual appropriations for personal services shall be subject to the budgetary limitations prescribed under Title Five, Book II of this Code; 15

16 xxx."

17 SEC. 2. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, proclamations and/or 18 administrative regulations which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby 19 amended, modified, superseded or repealed accordingly.

20 SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official 21 Gazette or at least three (3) newspapers of national circulation.

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Approved,