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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Section 34 of the Local Government Code emphasizes the important role of people's and Non-Governmental Organizations. It mandates the local government units to promote the establishment and operation of people's and non-governmental organizations to become active partners in the pursuit of local autonomy.

This bill recognizes the vital contributions of Senior Citizens, Parents'-Teachers' Association, and War Veterans who are among the active members of non-government organizations that promote local development. It is for this reason that these organizations are proposed to be included as members of the local health board and the local development councils in the different local government units.

Public agricultural engineers in the provinces and cities are likewise added as members of the provincial and city local development councils.

With these proposals, it is hoped that local development shall be further promoted to the greater advantage of the people. Immediate passage of this bill is therefore requested.

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### AN ACT

AMENDING TITLES V AND VI, SECTIONS 102 AND 107 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

**SECTION 1.** Section 102 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, hereinafter referred to as the Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 102. Creation and Composition. – (a) There shall be established a local health board in every province, city, or municipality. The composition of the local health boards shall be as follows:

- (1) The provincial health board shall be headed by the governor as Chairman, the provincial health officer as Vice-Chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang panlalawigan, a representative sector the private or non-governmental organizations involved in health services, REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the province, as members;
- (2) The city health board shall be headed by the city mayor as Chairman, the city health officer as Vice-Chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang panlungsod, a representative from the

private sector or non-governmental organizations involved in health services, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the city, as members; and,

(3) The municipal health board shall be headed by the municipal mayor as Chairman, the municipal health officer as Vice-Chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang bayan, a representative from the private sector or non-governmental organizations involved in health services, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the municipality, as members."

**SECTION 2.** Section 107 of the Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 107. Composition of Local Development Councils. – (a) The composition of the local development councils shall be as follows:

- (1) Members of the sangguniang Barangay;
- (2) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the barangay who shall constitute not less than one fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council;
- (3) A representative of the congressman.
- (b) The city or municipal development council shall be headed by the mayor and shall be composed of the following members:
  - (1) All punong barangays in the city or municipality;
  - (2) The chairman of the committee on appropriations of the sangguniang panlungsod or sangguniang bayan concerned;
  - (3) The congressman or his representative; [and,]

- (4) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the city or municipality, as the case maybe, who shall constitute not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council[.];
- (5) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS'-TEACHERS' COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
- (6) SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION;
- (7) WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION;
- (8) PUBLIC AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS, IN CASE OF CITIES.
- (c) The provincial development council shall be headed by the governor and shall be composed of the following members:
  - (1) All mayors of component cities and municipalities;
  - (2) The chairman of the committee on appropriations of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan;
  - (3) The Congressman or his representative; [and,]
  - (4) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the province, who shall constitute not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council [.];
  - (5) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS'-TEACHERS' COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
  - (6) SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION;
  - (7) WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION;
  - (8) PUBLIC AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS.
- (d) The local development councils may call upon any local official concerned or any official of national agencies or offices in the local government unit to assist in the formulation of their respective development plans and public investment programs.

**SECTION 3.** Repealing Clause. – All laws and executive orders, rules and regulations, or any part thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SECTION 4.** Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,