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## **SENATE**

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Introduced by

## Senator LOREN LEGARDA

RESOLUTION URGING EVERY SANGGUNIAN NATIONWIDE TO ENACT AN ORDINANCE MANDATING THE CREATION OF ITS LOCAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE IMMEDIATELY AND WITHOUT DELAY, AND FOR THE CONCERNED GOVERNORS AND MAYORS TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10121 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, it has been declared as a policy of the State to adopt a disaster risk reduction and management approach that is holistic, comprehensive, integrated and proactive in lessening the socioeconomic and environmental impacts of disasters including those related to climate change, and promote the involvement and participation of all sectors and stakeholders concerned, especially the local community;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10121 otherwise known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 was signed into law on May 27, 2010, and its Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) was issued by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council on September 27, 2010;

WHEREAS, under RA 10121 and its IRR, a Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (LDRRMO) shall be created in every province, city and municipality under the Office of the Governor, City or Municipal Mayor, respectively, and a Barangay Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Committee shall be established in every barangay to be headed by the Punong Barangay;

WHEREAS, it is prescribed under the IRR that the local sanggunian concerned shall enact the appropriate ordinance to create the LDRRMO including the allocation of necessary staffing and budget;

WHEREAS, three years since the issuance of the IRR, there remains to be local government units which have not complied with the creation of the LDRRMO within their respective LGUs;

WHEREAS, in light of the recent natural disasters and calamities that have occurred in our country, it is imperative that the law be implemented and that LDRRMOs be created in order to build disaster resilient communities, and to institutionalize arrangements and measures for reducing disaster risks, and enhancing disaster preparedness and response capabilities at all levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it hereby resolved, to call on every sanggunian nationwide to enact an ordinance mandating the creation of its local

disaster and risk reduction management office immediately and without delay, and for the concerned governors and mayors to implement the provisions of RA 10121 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations.

Adopted,

LOREN LEGARDA

Senator