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EXPLANATORY NOTE

In the name of local autonomy, local government units (LGUs) must be accorded enough resources to make themselves self-reliant, especially so with the decentralization of powers and functions brought about by the Local Government Code.

Hence, this bill seeks to provide LGUs, specifically municipalities, additional revenue by including municipal sea water within fifteen-kilometer radius jurisdiction, part of the internal revenue allotment computation.

Likewise, with these bills, LGUs whose primordial duty is to protect the natural resources found within jurisdiction, like the forest municipal sea water, will be made more accountable and, at the time, equipped with the resources that they need in fulfilling the said mandate.

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



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

1 **SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy.** – It is hereby declared a policy of the
2 state to promote and strengthen self-reliance among local government units in
3 consonance with the principle of anatomy and decentralization. Self-reliance as a
4 means of achieving local government empowerment is realizable by increasing the
5 budgetary power of local government units.
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8 **SEC. 2.** Any law, presidential issuance or rules and regulation the contrary
9 notwithstanding, sea water within the fifteen (15) kilometer radius jurisdiction of
10 municipalities shall be included in the computation of the internal Revenue
11 Allotment (IRA) of such municipalities.
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13 The Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) together with
14 Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall promulgate the
15 necessary guidelines, rules and regulations for the implementation of this act.
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18 **SEC. 3. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, presidential issuances, rule and
19 regulation inconsistent with the provisions of this Act shall be deemed repealed or
20 amended accordingly.
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23 **SEC. 4. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect immediately following its
24 complete publication in any new paper of general circulation.
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