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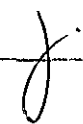


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Social Security System (SSS) was established to provide a "sound and viable tax-exempt social security system suitable to the needs of the people throughout the Philippines which shall promote social justice and provide meaningful protection to member and their beneficiaries against the hazards of disability, sickness, maternity, old age, death, and other contingencies resulting in loss of income or financial burden."¹

The current pension system is insufficient to address the needs of our SSS pensioners due to the inflationary costs of basic goods.

This bill seeks to provide an across-the-board two thousand pesos increase in the monthly pension with corresponding adjustment of the minimum monthly pension system so that the needs of the SSS pensioners are better met.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this measure is urgently sought.



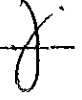
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¹Republic Act No. 1161 as amended by Republic Act No. 8282, Section 2.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** Any provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, the Social Security
2 Commission is hereby mandated to implement a Two Thousand Peso (P2,000.00) across-the-
3 board increase in the monthly pension under the Social Security System.
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5 **SECTION 2.** Section 12 of Republic Act No. 1161, as amended by Republic Act No. 8282, is
6 hereby amended to read as follows:
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8 "SEC. 12. Monthly Pension. – (a) The monthly pension shall be the highest of the
9 following amounts:
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11 (1) The sum of the following:

- 12 (i) Three hundred pesos (P300); plus
13 (ii) Twenty percent (20%) of the average monthly salary credit;
14 plus
15 (iii) Two percent (2%) of the average monthly salary credit for
16 each credited year of service in excess of ten (10) years; or
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18 (2) Forty percent (40%) of the average monthly salary credit; or
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20 (3) One thousand pesos (P1,000): Provided, That the monthly pension
21 shall in no case be paid for an aggregate amount of less than sixty
22 (60) months

23 (b) Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, the minimum **MONTHLY**
24 pension shall be [One thousand two hundred pesos (P1,200)] **THREE**

1 **THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (P3,200)** for members with at least ten
2 (10) credited years of service and [Two thousand four hundred pesos
3 (P2,400)] **FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED PESOS(P4,400)**for
4 those with twenty (20) credited years of service.”
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6 **SECTION 3.**Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction,
7 administrative order, rule or regulation inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed,
8 modified, or amended accordingly.
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10 **SECTION 4.**This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
11 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation

Approved,