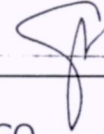


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**POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN**  
**ELECTIONS TO OCTOBER 2022, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC**  
**ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, REPUBLIC ACT**  
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**AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to postpone the May 2020 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan Elections to October 2022.

The barangay is a basic political unit in the country, it is mandated to maintain public order and ensure the protection of life, liberty and property in each of its respective jurisdiction. It serves as the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects and activities in the community and as a forum wherein views and contending claims of the residents of the barangay are collected, addressed and amicably settled. The Sangguniang Kabataan was instituted as a medium for the youth to participate in nation building at the grassroots level.

It is therefore vital that the local officials of the Barangays and Sangguniang Kabataan be given ample time and continuity to pursue and implement the programs they have set in their respective jurisdictions. It is of common knowledge that these local officials were elected just last May 14, 2018, their supposed three-year term as guaranteed by the letter of the law was cut to two years. We cannot let

these local officials carry this burden; we must protect their tenure in order for them to be given the chance to implement the programs they have set out to achieve.

In order to further efficiency and continuity, the May 2020 elections for Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan should be moved to October 2022.

In view of the foregoing, approval 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.** Section 1 of Republic Act No. 10952 is hereby further  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           **"Sec. 1. Date of Election.—** There shall be synchronized  
4 barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections, which shall be  
5 held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized barangay  
6 and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last  
7 Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years  
8 thereafter: Provided, That the barangay and sangguniang  
9 kabataan elections on October 23, 2017 shall be postponed to  
10 the second Monday of May 2018. Subsequent synchronized  
11 barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held  
12 on the second Monday of October [~~2020~~] **2022** and every  
13 three (3) years thereafter."  
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15       **SECTION 2. Hold Over –** Until the successors shall have been duly elected  
16 and qualified, all incumbent barangay officials shall remain in office, unless sooner

1 removed or suspended for cause.

2 **SECTION 3.** *Implementing Rules and Regulations* – The Commission on  
3 Elections within ninety (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, shall promulgate  
4 such rules and regulations necessary to implement this Act.

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6 **SECTION 4.** *Repealing Clause* – All law, decrees, ordinances, rules or  
7 regulations or parts thereof, inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Act  
8 are hereby expressly repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

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10 **SECTION 5.** *Separability Clause* – If for any reason any section or provision  
11 of this Act is declared to be unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or  
12 provisions hereof which are not affected hereby shall continue to be in full force and  
13 effect.

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15 **SECTION 6.** *Effectivity* – This Act shall become effective fifteen (15) days  
16 after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general  
17 circulation.

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19 Approved,