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**AN ACT**  
**POSTPONING THE OCTOBER 2020 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG**  
**KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO.**  
**9164, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, REPUBLIC ACT NO.**  
**10632, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10656, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, AND**  
**FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Barangay is the smallest administrative unit in the Philippines. 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 the collective views of the people may be expressed, crystallized and considered, and where disputes may be amicably settled.

Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials are the front liners, and are the most accessible unit of the Philippine Government in the delivery of social services. The role of these officials in the daily lives of thousands of Filipinos cannot be overemphasized.

The proposed postponement would give barangay and Sangguniang kabataan officials who were elected on May 2018 sufficient time to fully implement programs and projects. The two (2) year tenure in office of barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials elected during the May 2018 elections, may be too short for them to fully implement and realize programs and projects in their localities.


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

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic Act No. 10952, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**"Section 1. Date of Election.** — There shall be synchronized barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan elections, which shall be held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years thereafter: Provided, That the barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections on October 23, 2017 shall be postponed to the second Monday of May 2018. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the second Monday of October 2022 and every three (3) years thereafter."

1 Sec. 2. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic Act No. 10952,  
2 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

3 "Sec. 4. Assumption of Office. - The term of office of the barangay and  
4 sangguniang kabataan officials elected under this Act shall commence at  
5 noon of November 30 next following their election."  
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7 Sec. 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - The COMELEC shall, within ninety  
8 (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, promulgate such rules and regulations  
9 necessary to implement this Act.  
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11 Sec. 4. *Separability Clause*. If any portion or provision of this Act is declared void  
12 and unconstitutional, the remaining portions or provisions hereof shall not be  
13 affected by such declaration.  
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15 Sec. 5. *Repealing Clause*. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, other  
16 issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby  
17 repealed or modified accordingly.  
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19 Sec. 6. *Effectivity Clause*. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
20 complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.  
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22 Approved,