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AN ACT

EXTENDING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991", AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 25 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall ensure the autonomy of local governments. In the Philippines, there are 43,036 barangays. Barangays serve as the primary planning and implementing unit of government policies, plans, programs, projects, and activities in the community. They also provide a forum where the collective views of the people may be expressed, crystallized, and considered, and where disputes may be amicably settled.

Barangay officials and Sanggunian Kabataan (SK) members play a key role in their respective communities by enforcing laws and ordinances, maintaining public order, and ensuring the delivery of basic services. They are the front-line civil servants and primary public service providers. They are also the lead implementers of many programs of the government, with a lot of them being crafted in the barangay level, in order to address the need of their local constituents.

Currently, barangay officials and SK members have a term of three years. However, the term of barangay officials and SK members may not be enough for the effective implementation of their plans and programs. As such, there is a need to extend their term of office to 6 years that would ensure continuity and stability.

Given the abovementioned circumstances, the immediate passage of this bill is necessary.

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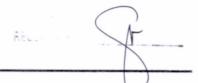
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Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

Section 1. Section 43 (c) of Republic Act No. 7160, as amended by Republic

2 Act Numbered 8524, 9164, 9340, 10623, and 10952, otherwise known as the Local

Government Code of 1991, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

SEC. 43. Term of Office. -

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"(c) The term of office of barangay officials and members of the sangguniang kabataan shall be for [three (3)] **SIX** years, which shall begin after the **SYNCHRONIZED** regular election of barangay officials **AND MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN** on the second Monday of May 1994, **AND EVERY SIX (6) YEARS THEREAFTER**. [*Provided*, That the sangguniang kabataan members who were elected in the May 1996 elections shall serve until the next regular election of barangay officials.]

"NO BARANGAY ELECTIVE OFFICIAL SHALL SERVE FOR MORE THAN TWO (2) CONSECUTIVE TERMS IN THE SAME POSITION, VOLUNTARY

1	RENUNCIATION OF OFFICE FOR ANY LENGTH OF TIME SHALL NOT BE
2	CONSIDERED AS AN INTERRUPTION IN THE CONTINUITY OF
3	SERVICE FOR THE FULL TERM FOR WHICH THE ELECTIVE OFFICIAL
4	WAS ELECTED."
5	Section 2. All incumbent barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan officials shall
6	remain in office unless sooner removed or suspended for cause until their successors
7	shall have been elected and qualified. The provisions of the Omnibus Election Code
8	relative to the failure of elections and special elections are hereby reiterated in this
9	Act.
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11	Section 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The Commission on
12	Elections within ninety (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, shall promulgate such
13	rules and regulations necessary to implement this Act.
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15	Section 4. Separability Clause If any provision of this Act is held
16	unconstitutional, other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and binding.
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18	Section 5. Repealing Clause All laws, decrees, ordinances and rules
19	inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby modified or repealed
20	accordingly.
21	Section 6. Effectivity Clause. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
22	after the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2)

Approved,

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