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LOCAL GOVERNMENT; AND FINANCE WITH SENATORS
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AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE SANGGUNIANG
KABATAAN BY INSTITUTIONALIZING
ADDITIONAL REFORMS TO REVITALIZE YOUTH
PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNANCE, AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 8 of Republic Act 10742, otherwise
2 known as the “Sangguniang Kabataan Reform Act of
3 2015”, is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 “SEC. 8. *Powers and Functions of the*
5 *Sangguniang Kabataan.* – The Sangguniang
6 Kabataan shall:

7 “(a) x x x;

1 “(e) Hold fund-raising activities which are
2 in line with the Comprehensive Barangay
3 Youth Development Plan, the proceeds of
4 which shall be tax-exempt and shall accrue to
5 the general fund of the Sangguniang
6 Kabataan: *Provided, however,* That in the
7 appropriation thereof, the specific purpose for
8 which such activity has been held shall be first
9 satisfied: *Provided, further,* That any appropriation
10 thereof shall be in accordance with existing
11 applicable budget, accounting and auditing rules
12 and regulations, SUCH AS THOSE ISSUED BY
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND
14 MANAGEMENT (DBM) AND THE
15 COMMISSION ON AUDIT (COA);

16 “(J) WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THEIR
17 ASSUMPTION TO OFFICE, THE
18 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN SHALL: 1)
19 FORMULATE AND APPROVE ITS INTERNAL
20 RULES AND PROCEDURES; 2) APPOINT ITS

1 SECRETARY AND TREASURER AND; 3) SET
2 THE SCHEDULE OF REGULAR SK
3 MEETINGS AND KK ASSEMBLIES; AND

4 [⊕] “(K) Exercise such other powers and
5 perform such other functions as may be
6 prescribed by law or ordinance, or delegated by
7 the Sangguniang Barangay or the
8 Commission.”

9 SEC 2. Section 10 of Republic Act No. 10742 is hereby
10 further amended to read as follows:

11 “SEC. 10. *Qualifications.* – An official of
12 the Sangguniang Kabataan, either [~~elective~~]
13 ELECTED or [~~appointee~~] APPOINTED must
14 be a citizen of the Philippines, a qualified voter
15 of the Katipunan ng Kabataan, a resident of
16 the barangay for not less than one (1) year
17 immediately preceding the day of the elections,
18 at least eighteen (18) years but not more than
19 twenty-four (24) years of age on the day of the
20 elections, able to read and write Filipino,

1 English, or the local dialect, must not be
2 related within the second civil degree of
3 consanguinity or affinity to any incumbent
4 elected national official or to any incumbent
5 elected regional, provincial, city, municipal, or
6 barangay official, in the locality where he or
7 she seeks to be elected, and must not have been
8 convicted by final judgment of any crime
9 involving moral turpitude: *PROVIDED, THAT*
10 *THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN*
11 *TREASURER MUST BE AT LEAST EIGHTEEN*
12 *(18) YEARS BUT NOT MORE THAN THIRTY*
13 *(30) YEARS OF AGE ON THE DAY OF THE*
14 *APPOINTMENT: PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT*
15 *THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN*
16 *CHAIRPERSON SHALL APPOINT A*
17 *TREASURER WITH AN EDUCATIONAL,*
18 *AND/OR CAREER BACKGROUND RELATING*
19 *TO BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,*
20 *ACCOUNTANCY, FINANCE, ECONOMICS, OR*

1 BOOKKEEPING: *PROVIDED, FURTHERMORE,*
2 THAT ONLY IF NO PERSON MEETS THE
3 REQUIREMENTS CAN THE SK
4 CHAIRPERSON CONSIDER OTHER SUITABLE
5 NOMINEES: *PROVIDED, FURTHER,* THAT
6 APPOINTED SK TREASURERS SHALL
7 UNDERGO A MANDATORY BOOKKEEPING
8 TRAINING FROM AND BE DULY CERTIFIED
9 BY THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND
10 SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)
11 BEFORE ASSUMPTION OF OFFICE:
12 *PROVIDED, FINALLY,* THAT THE APPOINTED
13 SK TREASURERS SHALL BE PRIORITIZED IN
14 THE ALLOCATION OF APPROPRIATE TESDA
15 SCHOLARSHIP.”

16 SEC. 3. Section 15 of the same Act is hereby amended
17 to read as follows:

18 “SEC. 15. *Sangguniang Kabataan Treasurer.*
19 – The Sangguniang Kabataan treasurer, WHO
20 SHALL BE A BONDED OFFICER, shall:

1 “x x x.”

2 SEC. 4. Section 16 of the same Act is hereby amended
3 to read as follows:

4 “SEC. 16. *Privileges of Sangguniang*
5 *Kabataan Officials.* – (a) All Sangguniang
6 Kabataan officials in good standing, whether
7 elected or appointed, shall, during their
8 incumbency:

9 “(1) x x x;

10 “(2) BE EXEMPT FROM TAKING ANY
11 OF THE COMPONENTS OF THE NATIONAL
12 SERVICE TRAINING PROGRAM (NSTP);

13 “x x x;

14 [~~“(5) The Sangguniang Kabataan~~
15 ~~chairperson shall have the same privileges~~
16 ~~enjoyed by other Sangguniang Barangay~~
17 ~~officials under this Act subject to such~~
18 ~~requirements and limitations provided herein;]~~

19 “(6) THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN
20 MEMBERS, INCLUDING THE SANGGUNIANG

1 KABATAAN TREASURER AND SECRETARY,
2 SHALL RECEIVE A MONTHLY HONORARIUM,
3 CHARGEABLE AGAINST THE SANGGUNIANG
4 KABATAAN FUNDS, IN ADDITION TO ANY
5 OTHER COMPENSATION PROVIDED BY THIS
6 ACT AND SHALL BE GRANTED AT THE END
7 OF EVERY REGULAR MONTHLY
8 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN MEETING:
9 *PROVIDED*, THAT THE MONTHLY
10 HONORARIUM SHALL NOT EXCEED THE
11 MONTHLY COMPENSATION RECEIVED BY
12 THEIR SK CHAIRPERSON: *PROVIDED*,
13 *FURTHER*, THAT NOT MORE THAN 25% OF
14 THE SANGUNNIANG KABATAAN FUNDS
15 SHALL BE ALLOCATED FOR PERSONNEL
16 SERVICES. THE DBM SHALL ISSUE THE
17 NECESSARY GUIDELINES IMPLEMENTING
18 THIS PROVISION.

19 "THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS
20 MAY PROVIDE ADDITIONAL HONORARIUM

1 AS WELL AS SOCIAL WELFARE
2 CONTRIBUTIONS AND HAZARD PAY TO THE
3 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN CHAIRPERSON
4 AND THE ELECTED AND APPOINTED
5 MEMBERS THROUGH THEIR OWN LOCAL
6 ORDINANCES: *PROVIDED*, THAT THE
7 HONORARIUM AS STATED IN THIS SECTION
8 SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE POST-AUDIT
9 JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION ON
10 AUDIT (COA);

11 “(7) BE ENTITLED TO APPROPRIATE
12 CIVIL SERVICE ELIGIBILITY, PURSUANT
13 TO RULES AND REGULATIONS ISSUED BY
14 THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION:
15 *PROVIDED*, THAT THE SK OFFICIAL HAS
16 RENDERED THEIR FULL TERM OF
17 OFFICE; AND

18 “(8) The Sangguniang Kabataan
19 chairperson shall have the same privileges
20 enjoyed by other Sangguniang Barangay

1 officials under this Act subject to such
2 requirements and limitations provided herein.”

3 SEC. 5. Section 19 of the same Act is hereby amended
4 to read as follows:

5 "SEC. 19. *Succession and Filling up of*
6 *Vacancies.* – (a) In case a Sangguniang
7 Kabataan chairperson refuses to assume office,
8 fails to qualify, voluntarily resigns, dies, is
9 permanently incapacitated, is removed from
10 office, the Sangguniang Kabataan member who
11 obtained the highest number of votes in the
12 election immediately preceding shall assume
13 the office of the chairperson, for the unexpired
14 portion of his or her term. In case said member
15 refuses to assume the position or fails to
16 qualify, the Sangguniang Kabataan member
17 obtaining the next highest number of votes
18 shall assume the position of the chairperson for
19 the unexpired portion of the term: *PROVIDED,*
20 *THAT, IF THE REASON FOR THE VACANCY*

1 DOES NOT FALL UNDER THE
2 CONDITIONS STATED ABOVE, THE
3 MAYOR OF THE CONCERNED BARANGAY
4 SHALL APPOINT AN OFFICER-IN-CHARGE
5 (OIC) FROM A LIST OF AT LEAST THREE
6 (3) NOMINEES AS SUBMITTED BY THE
7 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN MEMBERS:
8 *PROVIDED, FURTHER,* THAT THE
9 APPOINTED OIC MUST MEET THE
10 QUALIFICATIONS SET UNDER SECTION 10
11 OF THIS ACT.

12 "x x x."

13 SEC. 6. Section 20 of Republic Act 10742 is hereby
14 further amended to read as follows:

15 "SEC. 20. *Sangguniang Kabataan Funds.*

16 – The Sangguniang Kabataan funds shall be
17 governed by the following provisions:

18 “(a) All the income of the barangay
19 derived from whatever source shall accrue to
20 its general fund and all, at the option of the

1 barangay concerned, be kept as trust fund in
2 the custody of the city or municipal treasurer
3 or be disposed in a bank preferably
4 government-owned, situated in or nearest to its
5 area of jurisdiction. Such funds shall be
6 disbursed in accordance with the provisions of
7 this Act. Ten percent (10%) of the general fund
8 of the barangay shall be set aside for the
9 Sangguniang Kabataan. The Sangguniang
10 Barangay shall appropriate the Sangguniang
11 Kabataan funds in lump-sum which shall be
12 disbursed [~~solely~~] for youth development and
13 empowerment purposes;

14 “(b) xxx;

15 “(c) All Sangguniang Kabataan funds
16 shall be allocated in an annual budget, and if
17 the funds allow, in a supplemental budget in
18 accordance with the adopted Annual Barangay
19 Investment Program. Both the Comprehensive
20 Barangay Youth Development Plan and

1 Annual Barangay Investment Program shall
2 give priority to programs, projects and
3 activities that will promote and [~~ensure the~~
4 ~~equitable access to quality education,~~
5 ~~environmental protection, climate change~~
6 ~~adaptation, disaster risk reduction and~~
7 ~~resiliency, youth employment and livelihood,~~
8 ~~health and anti drug abuse, gender sensitivity,~~
9 ~~sports development, and capability building~~
10 ~~which emphasizes leadership training; and]~~

11 ATTAIN THE THRUSTS OF THE
12 PHILIPPINE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN
13 SUCH AS HEALTH, EDUCATION,
14 ENVIRONMENT, GLOBAL MOBILITY,
15 ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP, GOVERNANCE,
16 SOCIAL EQUITY AND INCLUSION, PEACE-
17 BUILDING AND SECURITY, AND
18 ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT, SUCH AS:

19 “(1) STUDENT STIPENDS, FOOD, BOOK
20 AND TRANSPORTATION ALLOWANCES, AND

1 OTHER EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE
2 PROGRAMS THAT WILL REDUCE THE
3 INCIDENCE OF OUT-OF- SCHOOL YOUTH
4 AND DROP-OUTS

5 “(2) SPORTS AND WELLNESS PROJECTS
6 TO ADDRESS PHYSICAL AND MENTAL
7 HEALTH, TEENAGE PREGNANCY,
8 SUBSTANCE ABUSE, AND OTHER HEALTH
9 ISSUES;

10 “(3) SKILLS TRAINING, SUMMER
11 EMPLOYMENT, CASH-FOR-WORK, ON-THE-
12 JOB TRAINING, AND LIVELIHOOD
13 ASSISTANCE;

14 “(4) PROJECTS PROMOTING THE
15 PARTICIPATION OF THE YOUTH AND THEIR
16 INITIATION IN AGRICULTURAL, FISHERY,
17 AND FORESTRY ENTERPRISES;

18 “(5) PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES
19 THAT WILL LOCATE THE YOUTH AT THE
20 FOREFRONT OF ENVIRONMENTAL

1 PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION
2 EFFORTS, AND ENLIST THEIR
3 INVOLVEMENT IN CALAMITY
4 PREPAREDNESS, INFORMATION
5 DISSEMINATION AND OTHER DISASTER-
6 RELATED ACTIVITIES; AND

7 “(6) CAPACITY-BUILDING FOR
8 GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATION AND
9 LEADERSHIP, AND VALUES EDUCATION;

10 “(7) PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES
11 THAT ADDRESS CONTEXT-SPECIFIC AND
12 INTERSECTIONAL VULNERABILITIES OF
13 YOUNG PEOPLE.

14 “(d) xxx; AND

15 “(e) THE SK MAY SET ASIDE AN
16 AMOUNT FOR THE SK MANDATORY AND
17 CONTINUING TRAININGS TO
18 COMPLEMENT THE TRAINING FUND
19 HEREIN PROVIDED UNDER SEC. 29. THE
20 TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED FOR

1 TRAINING SHALL NOT BE MORE THAN
2 FIFTEEN PERCENT (15%) OF THE SK
3 FUND. THE SK MAY ALSO CONSULT NON-
4 GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs)
5 AND CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS
6 (CSOs) ACCREDITED BY THE NATIONAL
7 YOUTH COMMISSION IN THE
8 DEVELOPMENT OF MANDATORY
9 PROGRAMS AND TRAININGS FOR ITS
10 OFFICIALS.”

11 SEC. 7. Section 21 of Republic Act 10742 is hereby
12 further amended to read as follows:

13 “SEC. 21. *Pederasyon ng Sangguniang*
14 *Kabataan.* – (a) There shall be an organization
15 of the *Pederasyon ng mga Sangguniang*
16 *Kabataan* to be known as follows:

17 “(1) x x x

18 “(3) x x x

19 “(D) DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE
20 SK PEDERASYON. – THE SK PEDERASYON

1 AND THE LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
2 COUNCIL (LYDC) SHALL DRAFT THE
3 LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN
4 (LYDP). THE PEDERASYON AND THE LYDC
5 SHALL CONVENE QUARTERLY TO
6 ENSURE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LYDP
7 AND ALIGNMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE
8 BARANGAY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
9 PROGRAM AND ANNUAL BARANGAY
10 YOUTH INVESTMENT PROGRAM TO THE
11 LYDP. THE PEDERASYON SHALL ALSO
12 CASCADE INFORMATION AND
13 FACILITATE KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER TO
14 THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCALITIES.

15 “(E) THE PRESIDENTS OF THE
16 PANLALAWIGANG PEDERASYON NG MGA
17 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN AND THE
18 PRESIDENTS OF THE PANLUNGSOD NA
19 PEDERSAYON NG MGA SANGGUNIANG
20 KABATAAN OF HIGHLY URBANIZED

1 CITIES AND INDEPENDENT COMPONENT
2 CITIES SHALL ELECT, AMONG
3 THEMSELVES, ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE
4 FROM LUZON, ONE (1) REPRESENTATIVE
5 FROM VISAYAS, AND ONE (1)
6 REPRESENTATIVE FROM MINDANAO TO
7 SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY
8 COUNCIL CREATED UNDER SECTION 14
9 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8044 OR THE
10 'YOUTH IN NATION-BUILDING ACT'."

11 SEC. 8. Insert a new Section 23 of Republic Act No.
12 10742 to read as follows:

13 "SEC. 23. *MEMBERSHIP IN THE*
14 *NATIONAL YOUTH COMMISSION.* – THE
15 PRESIDENTS OF THE PANLALAWIGANG
16 PEDERASYON NG MGA SANGGUNIANG
17 KABATAAN AND THE PRESIDENTS OF
18 THE PANLUNGSOD NA PEDERSAYON NG
19 MGA SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OF
20 HIGHLY URBANIZED CITIES AND

1 INDEPENDENT COMPONENT CITIES
2 SHALL ELECT, AMONG THEMSELVES, A
3 REPRESENTATIVE WHO SHALL SIT AS AN
4 EX-OFFICIO MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL
5 YOUTH COMMISSION, CONSISTENT WITH
6 SECTION 5 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8044,
7 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'YOUTH IN
8 NATION BUILDING ACT'."

9 SEC. 9. Section 25 of Republic Act 10742 is hereby
10 further amended to read as follows:

11 "SEC. 25. *Creation.* – There shall be in
12 every province, city, and municipality a Youth
13 Development Office which shall be headed by a
14 youth development officer with the rank of at
15 least division chief. Such may be put under the
16 Office of the Local Chief Executive, the Office
17 of the Planning and Development, the Office of
18 the Social Welfare, or in any other office
19 deemed appropriate by the local government
20 unit. If the funds of the local government unit

1 are sufficient, it can be a separate department
2 with divisions and units for policy and
3 planning, administration and finance, and
4 programs and operations. In the event when
5 the local government unit has exceeded the
6 prescribed personal services limitations, the
7 local chief executive may designate existing
8 personnel whom he or she deems fit to serve
9 this purpose [~~until such time that the local~~
10 ~~government unit can already create this this~~
11 ~~office~~]: *PROVIDED*, THAT A LOCAL YOUTH
12 DEVELOPMENT OFFICER SHALL BE
13 APPOINTED WITHIN ONE (1) YEAR FROM
14 THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT.”

15 SEC. 10. Section 26 of Republic Act 10742 is hereby
16 amended to read as follows:

17 “SEC. 26. *Funding.* – THE LOCAL
18 GOVERNMENT UNIT MAY APPROPRIATE
19 NOT LESS THAN 1% OF ITS ANNUAL
20 BUDGET FOR THE LOCAL YOUTH

1 DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, WHICH SHALL
2 BE USED FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF
3 THE LOCAL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PLAN,
4 CONVENING THE MEETINGS OF THE
5 CONCERNED PEDERASYON NG MGA
6 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN AND LOCAL
7 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, AS
8 WELL AS ITS OPERATIONS AND
9 EFFECTIVE FUNTIONING.”

10 SEC. 11. Section 28 of Republic Act No. 10742 is
11 hereby amended to read as follows:

12 “The Commission and the DILG with the
13 assistance of the Development Academy of the
14 Philippines (DAP), the Local Government
15 Academy (LGA), the University of the
16 Philippines-National College of Public
17 Administration and Governance (UP-NCPAG),
18 and in consultation with youth stakeholders
19 shall jointly design and implement the
20 mandatory and continuing training programs.

1 The mandatory training programs must
2 include among others, the following
3 components: (a)(1) The Philippine cultural
4 history, political systems ethics and ideologies;
5 (2) The Filipino as a nation builder (3) The
6 Filipino youth and its role in nation-building;
7 and (b) capability building on leadership,
8 program and project development and
9 sustainability, financial management, and
10 accountability and transparency.

11 “THE COMMISSION AND THE DILG
12 MAY ALSO COORDINATE WITH THE
13 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (DepEd),
14 COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
15 (CHED), AND TESDA, FOR THE OFFERING
16 OF RELEVANT COURSES THAT
17 EMPHASIZE THE ROLE OF EDUCATION
18 AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT IN NATION-
19 BUILDING AND WOULD FURTHER
20 ENHANCE THE KNOWLEDGE, NETWORK,

1 AND CAPACITY OF SANGGUNIANG
2 KABATAAN OFFICIALS AND LYDC
3 MEMBERS TO CRAFT AND IMPLEMENT
4 RELEVANT YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
5 PLANS.”

6 SEC. 12. *Funding and Appropriations.* – The amounts
7 necessary to carry out the implementation of this Act shall
8 be charged against the Sangguniang Kabataan Funds or as
9 may be authorized by the local government units pursuant
10 to Section 4 of this Act.

11 SEC. 13. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The
12 Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), the
13 Department of Budget and Management (DBM), the
14 Commission on Elections (COMELEC), the National Youth
15 Commission (NYC), and other concerned government
16 agencies shall promulgate the necessary implementing
17 rules and regulations within sixty (60) days upon the
18 effectivity of this Act.

19 SEC. 14. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this
20 Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other

1 provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full
2 force and effect.

3 SEC. 15. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees,
4 executive orders or rules and regulations contrary to or
5 inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby
6 repealed or modified accordingly.

7 SEC. 16. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take
8 effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
9 Gazette or in any newspaper of the general circulation.

Approved,