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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill proposes the amendment to Republic Act 157, An Act Creating A Bureau of Investigation (now known as the National Bureau of Investigation), Providing Funds Therefor, and for other purposes, as amended, by granting a fixed term of office of five years, without reappointment, to the Director of the NBI.

The security of tenure of the NBI Director will help professionalize the NBI and boost its crime-fighting capability. The fixed term of office is intended to insulate the head of the NBI from pressures or influence from any individual or group that may undermine the performance of the investigative and law enforcement tasks of the Bureau.

This will enhance the Bureau's ability to perform its mandate with the highest standards of professionalism and impartiality.


The approval of this bill is therefore earnestly requested.


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AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 2 OF REPUBLIC ACT ONE HUNDRED FIFTY SEVEN, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS AN ACT CREATING THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (NOW KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION), PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AS AMENDED

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

SECTION 1. Article 2 of Republic Act 157 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 2. The National Bureau of Investigation shall be headed by a Director who shall be appointed by the President (of the Philippines) with the consent of the Commission on Appointments (of the Congress of the Philippines) **FOR A TERM OF FIVE (5) YEARS WITHOUT REAPPOINTMENT**, and shall receive an annual compensation (of seven thousand two hundred pesos) **AS MAY BE PROVIDED BY LAW**.

SECTION 2. Any law, Presidential Decree, Issuance, Executive Order, Letter of Instruction, Administrative Order, Rule and Regulation contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect ten (10) days following its complete publication in any national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,