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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The increasing trend of criminal activities as reported by the media and attested by the police blotters all over the country is one of problems that need immediate solution.

Years back, it was found that the ideal ratio of lawmen's presence is one policeman for every 1000 inhabitants. However, such finding is now obsolete, as our society has immensely undergone changes.

Perhaps, a good estimate is to assign one policeman for every 500 citizens, which will automatically call for the doubling of the men in force. The implementation of this proposal may be impractical considering the financial problems that our government is presently saddled with.

The bill hence offers an alternative solution to the problem. Instead of hiring more policemen which would entail a large appropriation, the bill proposes the establishment of a National Junior Police Force, from which the junior policemen will be fielded to assist the regular policemen.

Aside form its austerity aspect, the bill is expected to keep our youth busy on a noble and worthy activity by no less than giving them a chance to be of service to the country and a training ground to mold them to be good and law abiding citizens,

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

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AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL JUNIOR POLICE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a national junior police force which shall be composed of able Filipino citizens between the ages of 15 and 20.

SECTION 2. The members of the national junior police force shall be under the supervision and control of the chief executive of the local government units.

SECTION 3. Members of the national junior police force shall be appointed by the chief and local executives of the local government units upon recommendation of the school principals

SECTION 4. The national junior police force shall assist the local officials, the regular police force, barangay officials and school officials in the implementation of the laws, ordinances and school regulations, in the maintenance of peace and order, in the dissemination of public information and in the performance of related duties as may be delegated by the chief executives of the local government units.

SECTION 5. The national junior police force shall be authorized to enlist the cooperative and supportive services of any government office, agency or instrumentality in the performance of their duties.

SECTION 6. The members of the national junior police force shall not be entitled to any regular salaries except such allowances or honoraria as may be granted by the local government units.

SECTION 7. Any member of the national junior police force who has served for at least four (4) years of service shall be exempted from taking the written examination being given for entry to the regular police force.

SECTION 8. The amount of P100 million is hereby appropriated under the Department of Interior and Local Government for use in the organization of the national junior police fore and thereafter the amount of maintenance shall be shouldered by the respective local government units.

SECTION 9. Any provision of law, executive order, decree or regulation inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,