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# S.B. No. <u>2596</u>

### Introduced by: SENATOR ALFREDO S. LIM

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Barangay governance has become an essential component of local autonomy because of the direct, personal and intimate link, association and interaction that the officials have with their constituents, especially in dealing with their day to day affairs and tackling their interminable problems.

While the Local Government Code had given barangay officials numerous benefits, particularly those enumerated in Sec. 393, these officials deserve better emolument if only to show that the Government gives due recognition and reward to them for their effective contribution to a successful public and betterment of the welfare of the people.

Hence, this bill seeks to increase the emolument of barangay officials.

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## AN ACT INCREASING THE MONTHLY EMOLUMENT OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

- 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of
- 2. the Philippines in Congress assembled:
- 3. SECTION 1. Recognition of Barangay Officials' Roles. Barangay

officials had been playing an effective role in fostering harmony in
 their respective jurisdictions, maintaining peace and order, and
 assisting in providing the basic services to their constituents, thus,
 entitling them to better emolument.

SECTION 2. Compensation of Barangay Officials.- Barangay
 officials shall be entitled to a minimum monthly compensation

SECTION 3. Funding.- The monthly compensatrion shall be 5. paid by the municipalities or cities where the barangays belong out of 6. 7. their internal revenue allotments (IRA); provided, however, that local 8. governments which have been paying their barangay less than the 9. amounts fixed herein shall comply with the above minimum compensation; provided, finally, that nothing in this Act shall 10. authorize the diminution or reduction of the higher compensation that 11. barangay officials have been enjoying prior to the enactment hereof. 12.

SECTION 4. Amendatory/ Repealing Clause.- The provision of
 Sec. 393, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local
 Government Code of 1991, is hereby accordingly modified
 conformably herewith. All laws, decrees, executive orders and
 Republic Acts inconsistent herewith are hereby deemed repealed.

18. Section 5. *Effectivity*.- This shall take effect after fifteen (15)
19. days from its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general
20. circulation.

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