



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6308

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARBERS, VELASCO, PANGANIBAN, SY-ALVARADO, PIMENTEL, CASTELO, VIOLAGO, ROBES, TUGNA, ALVAREZ (P.), FARIÑAS, SUAREZ, BONDOC, ABU, CUARESMA, ROMUALDO, FORTUN, ORTEGA (P.), LOPEZ (B.), ORTEGA (V.N.), PADUANO, NIETO, UYBARRETA, LAGMAN, ABAYON, CASTRO (F.H.), GARCIA (G.), GARIN (S.), SEMA, VILLARICA, CRISOLOGO, GARBIN, BRAVO (A.), ROQUE (H.), SIAO, OAMINAL, JAVIER, LANETE, LOBREGAT, SANDOVAL, BIRON, ESCUDERO, GARCIA (J.E.), QUIMBO, ROA-PUNO, TAN (A.), FERRER (J.), PRIMICIAS-AGABAS, GO (M.), TAMBUNTING, GULLAS, MACEDA, DALIPE AND NAVA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 368

AN ACT POSTPONING THE OCTOBER 23, 2017 SYNCHRONIZED BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10656 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10923

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by
2 Republic Act No. 9340, Republic Act No. 10656 and Republic Act No. 10923,
3 is hereby further amended to read as follows:

4 "SECTION 1. *Date of Election.* – There shall be
5 synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections,
6 which shall be held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized
7 barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on
8 the last Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years

1 thereafter: *Provided*, That the barangay and sangguniang
2 kabataan elections on October [31, 2016] **23, 2017** shall be
3 postponed to the [fourth] **SECOND** Monday of [October 2017]
4 **MAY 2018**. Subsequent synchronized barangay and
5 sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the second
6 Monday of May 2020 and every three (3) years thereafter.”

7 SEC. 2. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic
8 Act No. 9340 and Republic Act No. 10923, is hereby further amended to read
9 as follows:

10 “SEC. 4. *Assumption of Office*. – The term of office of
11 the barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials elected under
12 this Act shall commence at noon of [November 30] **JUNE 30**
13 next following their election: *Provided, however*, That the
14 term of office of the barangay and sangguniang kabataan
15 officials elected in the May 2020 elections and subsequently
16 thereafter, shall commence at noon of June 30 next following
17 their election.”

18 SEC. 3. *Hold Over*. – Until their successors shall have been duly
19 elected and qualified, all incumbent barangay officials shall remain in office,
20 unless sooner removed or suspended for cause.

21 SEC. 4. *Use of Appropriations*. – The following appropriations for the
22 Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall be considered as continuing
23 appropriations and shall be used exclusively for the conduct of the barangay
24 and sangguniang kabataan elections:

25 (a) The available balance of nine hundred one million one hundred fifty
26 thousand pesos (P901,150,000) appropriated for the sangguniang kabataan
27 elections and one hundred fifty-five million one hundred sixty-seven thousand

1 pesos (P155,167,000) appropriated for the sangguniang kabataan registration
2 under Republic Act No. 10651, otherwise known as "The FY 2015 General
3 Appropriations Act"; and

4 (b) The available balance of five billion nine hundred fourteen million
5 nine hundred ninety-two thousand pesos (P5,914,992,000) for the sangguniang
6 kabataan and barangay elections and four hundred twenty-two million seven
7 hundred thirty-four thousand pesos (P422,734,000) appropriated for the
8 sangguniang kabataan and barangay registration under Republic Act
9 No. 10717, otherwise known as "The FY 2016 General Appropriations Act".

10 SEC. 5. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The COMELEC
11 shall, within ninety (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, promulgate such
12 rules and regulations necessary to implement this Act.

13 SEC. 6. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision or part hereof is
14 declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not
15 affected shall remain in full force and effect.

16 SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential decrees, executive
17 orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of
18 this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

19 SEC. 8. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect immediately after its
20 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general
21 circulation.

Approved,

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