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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Under Republic Act (RA) 10742 or the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Reform Act of 2015, only the Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Chairperson is entitled to receive honoraria and other benefits similar to those being enjoyed by regular barangay officials. This privilege is denied to the Sangguniang Kabataan kagawads, SK secretaries and SK treasurers, despite performing equally important duties and responsibilities as youth leaders in their barangays.

Based on the undersigned’s consultations with these youth leaders, a good number of them aspired to become SK officials because of the genuine desire to serve their communities. In recognition of their invaluable service, therefore, it is but proper that they be provided with minimal financial remuneration, which will allow them to defray even just their transportation cost when attending meetings and SK-sponsored activities.

RA 10742 mandates the allocation of 10 percent of the barangay budget purposely for the implementation of SK programs and projects. With proper guidelines and legal sanction, this same fund source may be used to cover the honoraria to be granted to other SK officials, particularly the SK kagawads, SK Treasurer and SK Secretary.

This bill seeks to amend RA 10742 for this purpose. These youth leaders must be properly recognized and compensated, for the exemplary services they perform for their barangays, providing them equal treatment for responsibilities very much similar to that of the SK Chairpersons.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is urgently requested.

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AN ACT TO AMEND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10742, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS “THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN REFORM ACT OF
2015,” AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. SEC. 16 of Republic Act No. 10742 is hereby amended to
read as follows:

Sec. 16. Privileges of Sangguniang Kabataan Officials. — (a) All
Sangguniang Kabataan officials in good standing, whether elected or appointed,
shall, during their incumbency:

x x x

(7) THE HONORARIUM FOR SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN
KAGAWAD, AND THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN SECRETARY
AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN TREASURER, SHALL BE AT
SEVENTY PERCENT (70%) OF THE RATE OF THE HONORARIUM
OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN CHAIRPERSON.

SEC. 2. Repealing Clause.—All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and
regulations inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed,
amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. Effectivity.—This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
circulation.

Approved,