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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 140

Submitted by the Committee on Local Governments on
March 10, 1988

Re: Senate Bill No. 292

Recommending its approval with amendments

Sponsor: Senator Ernesto M. Maceda

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Local Governments to which was referred
Senate Bill No. 292, introduced by Senator Ernesto M. Maceda,
entitled:

"AN ACT TO POSTPONE THE MAY 9, 1988 BARANGAY ELECTIONS
TO THE SECOND MONDAY OF NOVEMBER THIS YEAR AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES",

has considered the same and has the honor to report it back
to the Senate with the recommendation that the bill be ap-
proved, with the following amendments:

On page 1, section 3, add after the period (.) the fol-
lowing sentence: "ALL INCUMBENT BARANGAY OFFICIALS
WHETHER ELECTED OR APPOINTED SHALL REMAIN IN OFFICE
UNTIL THEIR SUCCESSORS SHALL HAVE QUALIFIED."



BEEN ELECTED AND

Respectfully submitted:

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with proposed individual amendments.

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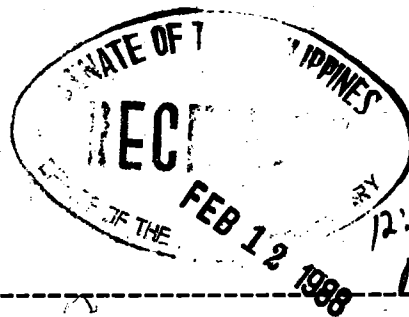
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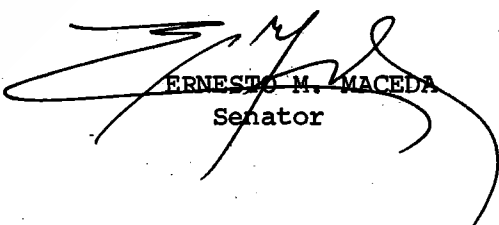
Introduced by Senator Maceda

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Still confronted by voluminous unresolved problems of the recently concluded January Local Elections with no near prospects of a respite from political tensions caused by the same, the barangay election scheduled for May, 1988 would be an unwelcome spectacle both for the wary electorate and the governmental agencies concerned in the administration of electoral processes. It is mainly for this purpose that this bill is made. The need to seriously deliberate on the matter of choice of barangay leaders and provisions for an orderly election appear bleak if it be held as originally scheduled in the Omnibus Election Code. It is in this context that this bill seeks to postpone the barangay elections to the second Monday of November with a five-year term of office to start on the first day of January after the elections.

Additionally, as an innovative step to reduce partisanship, personalities and probable violence, this bill also seek to authorize election for seven barangay councilmen and the concurrent abolition of elections for Barangay Chairman with the Councilman having the highest number of votes serving as Chairman for the first year.

With a view to serving the purpose of a democratic and orderly electoral process, the approval of this bill is earnestly urged.


ERNESTO M. MACEDA
Senator



S E N A T E

S. B. NO. 292



Introduced by Hon. Maceda (E.)

AN ACT

TO POSTPONE THE MAY 9, 1988 BARANGAY ELECTIONS TO SECOND MONDAY OF NOVEMBER THIS YEAR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1 SECTION 1. The elections of Barangay officials set on the
2 second Monday of May this year or on May 9, 1988 as provided by law is
3 hereby postponed and reset to the second Monday of November this year
4 and the subsequent barangay elections to be held every five years there-
5 after.

6 SEC. 2. Only the positions of seven (7) Barangay Councilmen
7 in every barangay will be the subject of the barangay elections. The
8 election for the position of a barangay chairman is hereby abolished.

9 SEC. 3. The term of office of barangay councilmen shall be
10 for five (5) years from the 1st day of January following their elections.

11 SEC. 4. The position of barangay chairman shall be occupied
12 for one year by the barangay councilman who received the highest votes
13 in the elections; Provided, That before the end of his term of one year,
14 the barangay councilmen will elect among themselves who will be the next
15 barangay chairman, whose term of office shall also be for one year. The
16 succeeding barangay chairman will be elected in the same manner herein-
17 above set forth.

18 SEC. 5. The Commission on Elections shall promulgate such
19 necessary resolutions, rules and regulations to implement the provisions
20 of this Act.

21 SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, Executive Orders, orders or reso-
22 lutions or any part thereof which may be inconsistent with this Act
23 are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

24 SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,