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INTRODUCED BY CONGRESSMEN PALACOL, CHIPECO, JR., GARCIA (P.), BERNARDEZ, DUREZA, MATHAY, JR., JAVIER (E.), JAVIER (R.), BACALTOS, JOSON, DOMINGO, JR., ABAYA, MERCADO (R.G.), YAP (J.), CONGRESSWOMAN GONZALEZ, CONGRESSMEN CAMASURA, JR., CHAVES, TY, BANDON, JR., MERCADO (R.M.), ANIAG, JR. AND MONFORT, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 11

AN ACT RESETTING THE LOCAL ELECTIONS FROM NOVEMBER 9, 1987 TO JANUARY 18, 1988, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NUMBERED TWO HUNDRED AND SEVENTY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 270, is
2 hereby amended to read as follows:

3 "SECTION 1. *Election of local officials.*—There shall
4 be elections for provincial governors, provincial vice-
5 governors, city and municipal mayors, city and municipal
6 vice-mayors, and members of each Sangguniang Panla-
7 lawigan, Sangguniang Panglungsod, and Sangguniang

1 Bayan, including all members of the city or municipal
2 BOARDS or councils in the Metropolitan Manila area to
3 be held on Monday, JANUARY 18, 1988 [November 9,
4 1987]; *Provided*, That all local officials, whether elected,
5 acting or officers-in-charge, shall be deemed automatically
6 resigned from their positions effective upon the filing of
7 their certificates of candidacy for any local position which
8 shall not be later than [thirty (30)] SIXTY (60) days
9 prior to the said elections; AND *PROVIDED, FURTHER,*
10 THAT AFTER THE LAST DAY FOR THE FILING OF A CER-
11 TIFICATE OF CANDIDACY, NO INCUMBENT LOCAL OFFICIAL
12 SHALL BE QUALIFIED TO RUN FOR ANY OFFICE, AN ACTING
13 OFFICER-IN-CHARGE TO THE POSITION VACATED, SHALL BE
14 DESIGNATED BY THE SECRETARY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT."

15 SEC. 2. *Metro Manila Area.*—For purposes of the local
16 elections on January 18, 1988, the City of Manila, Quezon
17 City and the City of Caloocan shall have seven (7) coun-
18 cilors for each of their representative districts to be elected
19 by the qualified voters therein. The City of Pasay and
20 the Municipalities of Makati, Parañaque, Pasig, Marikina
21 and Valenzuela, each of which comprises a representative
22 district, shall have twelve (12) councilors each to be elected
23 at large by the qualified voters of the said city or mu-

1 nicipality. All the other municipalities within the Metro-
2 politan Manila area shall have ten (10) councilors each.

3 SEC. 3. The provision of any law to the contrary not-
4 withstanding, the City of Cebu, City of Davao, and any
5 other city with more than one representative district
6 shall have seven (7) councilors for each district who are
7 residents thereat, to be elected by the qualified voters
8 therein; *Provided*, that the cities of Cagayan de Oro, Zam-
9 boanga, Bacolod, Iloilo and other cities comprising a repre-
10 sentative district shall have twelve (12) councilors each
11 and all other cities shall have ten (10) councilors each
12 to be elected at large by the qualified voters of the said
13 cities; and *Provided, further*, That in no case shall the
14 present number of councilors be reduced.

15 SEC. 4. Local officials duly elected shall assume office
16 on the second day of February 1988 at noon and shall
17 serve until noon of June 30, 1992.

18 If no candidate has been elected and qualified to assume
19 office on the aforementioned date and time, the acting
20 officer-in-charge shall continue to hold office until the win-
21 ning candidate has qualified to assume such office.

22 SEC. 5. Section 2 of Executive Order No. 270, is hereby
23 amended to read as follows:

1 “SEC. 2. *Election and campaign periods.*—[As recom-
2 mended and designated by the Commission on Elections.]
3 The election period shall be from OCTOBER 20, 1987
4 [September 10, 1987] to FEBRUARY 17, 1988 [December
5 9, 1987]; and the campaign period shall be FORTY FIVE
6 (45) [thirty (30)] days commencing on DECEMBER 1,
7 1987 [October 10, 1987] and ending on JANUARY 17,
8 1988 [November 8, 1987]; *PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT*
9 THE HOLDING OF PUBLIC MEETINGS, CAUCUSES, DISTRIBU-
10 TION AND USE OF CAMPAIGN PROPAGANDA AND ALL OTHER
11 FORMS OF CAMPAIGNING ARE PROHIBITED ON DECEMBER 25
12 AND DECEMBER 31, 1987.”

13 SEC. 6. Section 4 of Executive Order No. 270, is hereby
14 amended to read as follows:

15 “SEC. 4. *Special registration of voters.*—There shall
16 be special registration on Saturday, NOVEMBER 28, 1987
17 [September 26, 1987] OR ON SUCH OTHER DATE AS MAY
18 BE FIXED BY THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS for voters
19 who will reach the age of eighteen (18) on JANUARY
20 18, 1988 [November 9, 1987] or those who failed to
21 register in the general registration of voters last Decem-
22 ber 1986 or in the special registration before the elections
23 for Members of Congress on May 11, 1987; *Provided,*
24 That the Commission may order a general re-registration

1 of all voters on such dates it may set in certain provinces,
2 cities or municipalities, where it deems it necessary to
3 eliminate rampant illegal registration of voters and
4 thereby ensure the holding of free, orderly, honest, peace-
5 ful and credible elections.”

6 SEC. 7. Section 6 of Executive Order No. 270, is hereby
7 amended to read as follows:

8 “SEC. 6. *Appropriations.*—The amount of Two hun-
9 dred million pesos (P200,000,000.00), or so much thereof
10 as may be necessary for the holding of the local elec-
11 tions, is hereby set aside out of the annual budget and
12 savings of the Commission on Elections, AS WELL AS
13 THE CONTINGENT FUND OR ANY OTHER APPLICABLE AP-
14 PROPRIATIONS AUTHORIZED IN THE CURRENT GENERAL
15 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, which shall be released automatically
16 by the Department of Budget and Management upon
17 request of the Chairman of the Commission on Elec-
18 tions, based on the approved special budget. [In case
19 of deficiencies, the funds herein provided shall be aug-
20 mented from the contingent fund or any other applicable
21 appropriations authorized in the current General Appro-
22 priations Act, which shall likewise be released auto-
23 matically upon similar request of the Chairman of the
24 Commission on Elections.]

1 SEC. 8. *Power to print ballots.*—Any executive order or
2 presidential decree, to the contrary notwithstanding, the
3 Commission on Elections shall have the exclusive authority
4 to print ballots.

5 SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,

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