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AN ACT POSTPONING THE DECEMBER 2022  
BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN  
ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED BY  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9340, REPUBLIC ACT NO.  
10632, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10656, REPUBLIC ACT  
NO. 10923, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, AND  
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11462, 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 Republic Act No. 9164, as  
2           amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

1           “SECTION 1. *Date of Election.* – There shall  
2           be synchronized barangay and sangguniang  
3           kabataan elections, which shall be held on July  
4           15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized barangay and  
5           sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on  
6           the last Monday of October 2007 and every three  
7           (3) years thereafter: *Provided*, That the barangay  
8           and sangguniang kabataan elections on the  
9           ~~[second Monday of May 2020]~~ FIFTH DAY OF  
10          DECEMBER 2022 shall be postponed to  
11          ~~[December 5, 2022]~~ THE SECOND MONDAY OF  
12          DECEMBER 2023. Subsequent synchronized  
13          barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections  
14          shall be held on the ~~[first Monday of December~~  
15          ~~2025]~~ SECOND MONDAY OF MAY 2026 and  
16          every three (3) years thereafter.”

17          SEC. 2. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9164, as  
18          amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

19                 “SEC. 4. *Assumption of Office.* – The term of  
20                 office of the barangay and sangguniang kabatan

1 officials elected under this Act shall commence at  
2 noon of June 30 next following their election:  
3 *Provided, however,* That the term of office of the  
4 barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials  
5 elected in the [~~December 5, 2022~~] DECEMBER  
6 2023 elections and subsequently thereafter, shall  
7 commence at noon of January 1 next following  
8 their election: *PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT*  
9 *THE TERM OF OFFICE OF THE BARANGAY*  
10 *AND SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN OFFICIALS*  
11 *ELECTED IN THE MAY 2026 ELECTIONS AND*  
12 *SUBSEQUENTLY THEREAFTER, SHALL*  
13 *COMMENCE AT NOON OF JUNE 30 NEXT*  
14 *FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION: PROVIDED,*  
15 *FINALLY, THAT INDIVIDUALS OTHERWISE*  
16 *ELIGIBLE AS CANDIDATES IN THE*  
17 *DECEMBER 2022 SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN*  
18 *ELECTIONS SHALL STILL BE QUALIFIED TO*  
19 *RUN FOR THE DECEMBER 2023*  
20 *SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN ELECTIONS.”*

1           SEC. 3. *Hold-Over.* – Until their successors shall have  
2   been duly elected and qualified, all incumbent barangay  
3   and sangguniang kabataan officials shall remain in office,  
4   unless sooner removed or suspended for cause: *Provided,*  
5   That barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials who  
6   are *ex officio* members of the sangguniang bayan,  
7   sangguniang panlungsod, or sangguniang panlalawigan, as  
8   the case may be, shall continue to serve as such members  
9   in the sanggunian concerned until the next barangay and  
10  sangguniang kabataan elections.

11          SEC. 4. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary for the  
12  implementation of this Act shall be taken from the  
13  appropriations of the Commission on Elections under the  
14  General Appropriations Act and/or supplementary  
15  appropriations thereafter: *Provided,* That the additional  
16  budget for the barangay and sangguniang kabataan  
17  elections to be held on the second Monday of December  
18  2023 shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the budget  
19  allocation for the postponed December 5, 2022 barangay  
20  and sangguniang kabataan elections.

1           SEC. 5. *Audit Report.* – The Commission on Audit shall  
2 submit to Congress an audit report on the budget used for  
3 the postponed December 5, 2022 barangay and  
4 sangguniang kabataan elections within ninety (90) days  
5 from the effectivity of this Act.

6           SEC. 6. *Repealing Clause.* – All other laws, acts,  
7 presidential decrees, executive orders, issuances,  
8 presidential proclamations, rules and regulations or parts  
9 thereof, which are contrary to and inconsistent with any  
10 provision of this Act, are hereby repealed, amended, or  
11 modified accordingly.

12           SEC. 7. *Separability Clause.* – If any portion or  
13 provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the  
14 remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby  
15 shall remain in force and effect.

16           SEC. 8. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect  
17 immediately following the completion of its publication  
18 either in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of  
19 general circulation.

Approved,