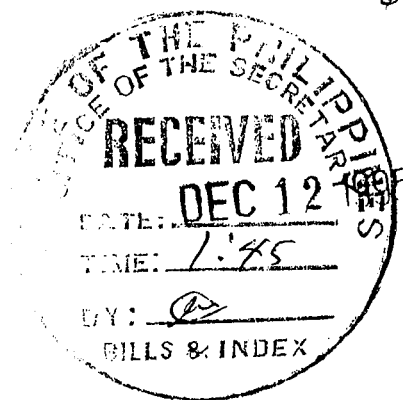


10th Congress of the Republic  
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SENATE

S.B. No. 1314

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Introduced by Senator Alberto G. Romulo

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**AN ACT  
CHANGING THE DATE OF ELECTIONS FOR THE  
ELECTIVE OFFICIALS OF THE AUTONOMOUS  
REGION FOR MUSLIM MINDANAO, AMENDING  
FOR THE PURPOSE R.A. 7647 ENTITLED "AN ACT  
PROVIDING FOR THE DATE OF REGULAR  
ELECTIONS FOR REGIONAL GOVERNOR,  
REGIONAL VICE-GOVERNOR AND MEMBERS OF  
THE REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE  
AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 7647 is hereby  
amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. The regular elections for regional  
governor, regional vice-governor, and members of the  
Regional Legislative Assembly for the Autonomous Region  
in Muslim Mindanao, shall be held on the second Monday  
(after the Muslim month of Ramadhan immediately  
preceding the end of the term of office of such officials  
except the second regular election in 1993 which shall be  
held on the 25th of March, 1993.) OF NOVEMBER  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SIX (1996) AND  
ON THE SAME DAY EVERY THREE YEARS  
THEREAFTER. THE REGIONAL GOVERNOR, VICE-

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GOVERNOR, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY-ELECT SHALL ASSUME OFFICE AT TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON ON THE THIRTIETH DAY OF NOVEMBER NEXT FOLLOWING THEIR ELECTION: Provided, that [if no candidate shall have been duly elected and qualified on March 31, 1993,] the incumbent regional governor, [and] vice-governor, AND THE MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY WHOSE TERM WILL EXPIRE ON MARCH 31, 1996 shall continue in office in a hold-over capacity until their successors shall have duly elected and qualified, subject to Article VIII, Section 11 of Republic Act No. 6734: Provided, further, That while acting in a hold-over capacity, the regional governor and vice-governor shall not disburse public funds except for personnel and administrative matters, make appointments, including promotions, transfer and/or assignments of personnel and shall be subject to all the restrictions and/or prohibitions mandated by Section 261 of the Omnibus Election Code more particularly, but not limited to, paragraphs (g); (h); (k); (m); (o); (r); (u); (v); (w); and (x). of said section."

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,