


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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

It is a declared policy of the State that the territorial and political subdivisions of the State shall enjoy genuine and meaningful local autonomy to enable them to attain their fullest development as self-reliant communities and make them more effective partners in the attainment of national goals.<sup>1</sup> In pursuance of the same, the local government units shall promote the establishment and operation of people's and nongovernmental organizations to become active partners in the pursuit of local autonomy.<sup>2</sup>

Active members of the community which promote local development are Senior Citizens, Parents'-Teachers' Associations and War Veterans. It is for this reason that these organizations are proposed to be included as members of the local health board and the local development councils in the different local government units. Public agricultural engineers in the provinces and cities are likewise added as members of the provincial and city local development councils.

Sen. Aquilino Q. Pimentel, Jr., the father of the Local Government Code, and original author of this bill, envisioned a Philippines empowered by local governments in the pursuit of national development and progress. It is hoped that local development shall be further promoted to the greater advantage of the people.

Hence, the approval of this initiative is earnestly sought.

  
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<sup>1</sup> Sec. 2, R.A. 7160 "An Act Providing for A Local Government Code of 1991"


<sup>2</sup> Sec. 34, Ibid.

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AN ACT  
AMENDING TITLES V AND VI, SECTIONS 102 AND 107 OF RA 7160,  
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991

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

**Section 1.** Section 102 of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, herein after referred to as the Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 102. Creation and Composition. - (a) There shall be established a local health board in every province, city, or municipality. The composition of the local health boards shall be as follows:

- (1) The provincial health board shall be headed by the governor as chairman, the provincial health officer as vice-chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang panlalawigan, a representative from the private sector or nongovernmental organizations involved in health services, A REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the province, as members;
- (2) The city health board shall be headed by the city mayor as chairman, the city health officer as vice-chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang panlungsod, a representative from the private sector or non-governmental organizations involved in health services, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the city, as members; and
- (3) The municipal health board shall be headed by the municipal mayor as chairman, the municipal health officer as vice-chairman, and the chairman of the committee on health of the sangguniang bayan, a representative from the private sector or non-governmental organizations involved in health services, A REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE PARENTS'-TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION, AND WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION and a representative of the Department of Health in the municipality, as members.

**Section 2.** Section 107 of the Code, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 107: Composition of Local Development Councils. - The composition of the local development council shall be as follows:

- (1) Members of the sangguniang barangay;
  - (2) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the barangay who shall constitute not less than one fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council;
  - (3) A representative of the congressman.
- (b) The city or municipal development council shall be headed by the mayor and shall be composed of the following members:
- (1) All punong barangays in the city or municipality;
  - (2) The chairman of the committee on appropriations of the sangguniang panlungsod or sangguniang bayan concerned;
  - (3) The congressman or his representative; and
  - (4) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the city or municipality, as the case may be, who shall constitute not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council.
  - (5) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS'-TEACHERS' COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
  - (6) SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION;
  - (7) WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION;
  - (8) PUBLIC AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS, IN CASE OF CITIES
- (c) The provincial development council shall be headed by the governor and shall be composed of the following members:
- (1) All mayors of component cities and municipalities;
  - (2) The chairman of the committee on appropriations of the sangguniang panlalawigan;
  - (3) The congressman or his representative; and
  - (4) Representatives of non-governmental organizations operating in the province, who shall constitute not less than one-fourth (1/4) of the members of the fully organized council.
  - (5) ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENTS'-TEACHERS' COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION;
  - (6) SENIOR CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION;
  - (7) WAR VETERANS' ASSOCIATION;
  - (8) PUBLIC AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERS
- (d) The local development councils may call upon any local official concerned or any official of national agencies or offices in the local government unit to assist in the formulation of their respective development plans and public investment programs.

**Section 3. Repealing Clause.** All laws, rules and regulations, decrees, issuance or any part or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

**Section 4. Effectivity Clause.** This Act shall take effect 15 days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers or of general circulation, whichever comes first.

**Approved,**