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AN ACT SETTING THE TERM OF OFFICE OF BARANGAY OFFICIALS AND

MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG KABATAAN, AND FOR OTHER **PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Term of Office. – The term of office of all elected barangay officials and members of the Sangguniang Kabataan shall be six (6) years. No barangay elective official or member of the Sangguniang Kabataan shall serve for more than two (2) consecutive terms in the same position. Voluntary renunciation of office for any length of time shall not be considered as an interruption in the continuity of service for the full term for which the elective official was elected.

- **SEC 2.** Date of Election. The next regular barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan elections shall be held on the second Monday of May 2029 and every six (6) years thereafter.
- **SEC. 3.** Assumption of Office. The term of office of barangay officials and 10 members of the Sangguniang Kabataan elected subsequent to the effectivity of this 11 Act shall commence at noon of June 30 next following their election. 12

L	SEC. 4. Hold-Over. – All incumbent barangay officials and members of the
2	Sangguniang Kabataan shall remain in office unless sooner removed or suspended
3	for cause until their successors shall have been elected and qualified.

- SEC. 5. Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Commission on Elections shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act.
- 7 **SEC. 6.** Separability Clause. – If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall 8 remain in force and effect.
- 10 SEC. 7. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, administrative orders, and rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby 11 repealed, modified, or amended accordingly. 12
- **SEC. 8.** Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect upon publication in the 13 14 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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