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HOUSE BILL NO. 2882



Introduced by Honorable Richard I. Gomez

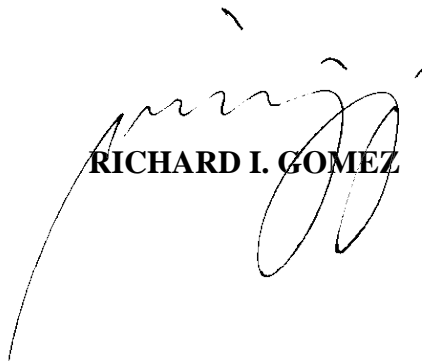
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Despite the local and national accomplishments of the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency, with the cooperation of local government units, the nation's war on illegal drugs still continues.

Whereas Republic Act 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, already prescribes that local government units (LGUs) appropriate "a substantial portion" of their respective annual budgets to assist in the implementation of the same Act, the effective amounts directed towards the fight against illegal drugs remain voluntary in nature.

This bill would ensure that LGUs set aside a definite amount equivalent to ONE PERCENT of their annual budgets. This would ensure each LGU's commitment to eradicate the trade, importation, manufacture and use of dangerous drugs, by investing in projects that promote preventive education and rehabilitation.

I enjoin my fellow lawmakers to further strengthen the war against dangerous drugs through the approval and enactment of this bill.


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AN ACT
MANDATING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO ALLOCATE ONE PER
CENTUM OF THEIR ANNUAL BUDGETS TO FUND THE CITY/MUNICIPALITY
ANTI-ILLEGAL DRUG FUND, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE SEC. 51 OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9165, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE COMPREHENSIVE
DANGEROUS DRUGS ACT OF 2002

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

SECTION 1. Section 51 of Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the “Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002,” is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“Section 51. *Local Government Units’ Assistance.* – Local government units shall appropriate ~~a substantial portion~~ ONE PER CENTUM of their respective annual budgets to assist in or enhance the enforcement of this Act giving priority to preventive or educational programs and the rehabilitation or treatment of drug dependents.”

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,