

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11462, December 03, 2019]

AN ACT POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 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 AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, 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. 9164, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. *Date of Election.* - There shall be synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections, which shall be held on July 15, 2002. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the last Monday of October 2007 and every three (3) years thereafter: *Provided,* That the barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections on the second Monday of May 2020 shall be postponed to December 5, 2022. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the first Monday of December 2025 and every three (3) years thereafter."

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

"SEC. 4. *Assumption of Office.* - The term of office of the barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials elected under this Act shall commence at noon of June 30 next following their election: *Provided, however,* That the term of office of the barangay and sangguniang kabataan officials elected in the December 5, 2022 elections and subsequently thereafter, shall commence at noon of January 1 next following their election."

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

SEC. 4. *Appropriations.* - The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be taken from the appropriations of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) under the General Appropriations Act and/or supplementary appropriations thereafter.