

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10952, October 02, 2017 ]**

**AN ACT POSTPONING THE OCTOBER 2017 BARANGAY AND SANGGUNIAN KABATAAN ELECTIONS, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9164, AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9310, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10632, REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10656, AND REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10923, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. Section 1. Section 1 of republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic Act No. 9340, Republic Act no. 10632, Republic Act No. 10656, and Republic Act No. 10923, 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 October 23, 2017 shall be postponed to the second Monday of may 2018. Subsequent synchronized barangay and sangguniang kabataan elections shall be held on the second Monday of May 2020 and every three (3) years thereafter."

SEC. 2. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9164, as amended by Republic Act no. 9340, republic Act No. 10632, and Republic Act No. 10923, 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 May 2020elections and subsequently thereafter, shall commence at noon of June 30 next following their election."

SEC. 3. *Hold Over.*- Until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified, all incuimbert barangay officials shall remain in office, unless sooner removed or suspended for cause: *Provided*, That barangay 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 election. The Liga ng mga Barangay at the municipal city, and provincial levels shal, not later than July 31, 2018, conduct elections for *ex officio* positions in the sanggunians under the supervision of the Department of the Interior and Local Government.