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HOUSE BILL NO. 991

Introduced by Honorable Michael L. Romero

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In the republic of the Philippines, the National Youth Commission (NYC), is a government agency which primarily addresses concerning the Filipino youth. It was founded on June 30, 1995, via Republic Act 8044 or the Youth in Nation-Building Act.

The NYC is the states sole policy-making body on youth affairs, the NYCs mandate is expressly written in the 1987 Philippine Constitution.

Since its founding in 1995, the master plan has been a broad guide for action, and young Filipinos play a very important role in ensuring that the recommended policies, programs, and courses of actions are carried out.

NYC coordinates for other government agencies and private companies to hire out-of-school, unemployed youth as interns who receive a monthly pay.

The commission also provides a National Secretariat to the SK and convenes the National Youth Parliament every two years.

Last July 4, 2016, NYC was among the 12 agencies, formerly from the Office of the President reassigned to the Office of the Cabinet Secretary, based on Executive Order No.1 issued by President Rodrigo Duterte.

This House Bill seeks to provide additional organizational and operational funding to carry-out all the National Youth Commission’s development programs and mandates.

Earnest approval of this bill is hereby requested.

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AN ACT

PROVIDING ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL AND OPERATIONAL FUNDING TO THE NATIONAL YOUTH COMMISSION (NYC), TO SUSTAIN ALL DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS, TO FOSTER A COMPREHENSIVE NATION-BUILDING STRUCTURE, TO ACCELERATE AND ESTABLISH A PROGRESSIVE SCHEME TOWARDS MATURITY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy — It shall be hereby a policy of the State to promote youth oriented programs, encourage and sustain the development of youth in the country to foster self-discipline, teamwork and excellence for a healthy and alert citizenry through a holistic national youth promotion and coordinated scheme, and that the strengthening of the National Youth Commission (NYC) shall further this objective.

SECTION 2. Funding — In order to provide the necessary funds required for the organizational and operational expenditures of the National Youth Commission (NYC), the amount of One hundred million pesos (₱100,000,000.00) from the National Treasury is hereby appropriated:
SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - The amount of One hundred million pesos (₱100,000,000.00), or so much thereof as may be necessary, is here- hence appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to carry into effect the provisions of this Act.

The amount necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act shall be included in the annual budget of implementing agencies in the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of the year following its enactment into law and every year thereafter.

The State shall hereby provide a separate authorize funding of One hundred million pesos (₱100,000,000.00) to implement and to maintain the continuity of its mandate.

The state shall hereby authorize the National Youth Commission (NYC) to re-align its appropriations, in the current year of the date of the effectivity of this Act to conform with its mandate and requirements.

SECTION 4. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS - The departments and agencies charged, with carrying out the provisions of this Act, shall within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, formulate the necessary rules and regulations for its effective implementation.

SECTION 5. Periodic Reports - The NYC shall submit periodic reports on its findings and make recommendations on actions to be taken by Congress and Senate and the appropriate department, and in order to carry out the objectives and mandates of this Act.

SECTION 6. Automatic Review - Every three (3) years after the effectivity of this Act, an independent review panel composed of experts to be appointed by the President shall review the policies and programs in the NYC and shall make recommendations, based on its findings, to the President and to both Houses of Congress.
SECTION 7. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. Separability Clause. If, for any reason or reasons, any portion or provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,