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HOUSE BILL NO. 7196

Introduced by Representative DAN S. FERNANDEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 10420, otherwise known as the “Charter of the City of San Pedro” in the Province of Laguna, was approved on March 27, 2013.

Known as Laguna’s Gateway to Metro Manila, San Pedro is a first (income) class component city of the province of Laguna. Although small in terms of territory, San Pedro is actually large when it comes to population (that is, vis-à-vis the other cities/municipalities of the province). Not only that, the city also has the highest population density in the province of Laguna and in the whole CALABARZON region.

In view therefore of the robust growth of population of the City of San Pedro (as a suburb of Metro Manila), it is now deemed timely and appropriate to correspondingly increase the people’s representation in the membership of the city’s Sangguniang Panlungsod. An increase from ten (10) to twelve (12) of the membership of the city council would do justice to the rapid expansion and modernization of the community.

On the basis of the foregoing premises, the early approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
INCREASING THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF SAN PEDRO IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA FROM TEN (10) TO TWELVE (12), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 10 (a) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10420, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “CHARTER OF THE CITY OF SAN PEDRO”

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

SECTION 1. Increase in the Number of Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Pedro in the Province of Laguna. - Section 10 (a) of Republic Act No. 10420, otherwise known as the “Charter of the City of San Pedro”, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 10. Composition. – (a) The sangguniang panlungsod, the legislative body of the City, shall be composed of the city vice mayor as the presiding officer, the [ten (10)] TWELVE (12) regular sanggunian members, the president of the city chapter of the liga ng mga barangay,
the president of the panlungsod na pederasyon ng mga sangguniang kabataan and the three (3) sectoral representatives, as members, who shall come from the following sectors: one (1) from the women sector, and, as shall be determined by the sangguniang panlungsod within ninety (90) days prior to the holding of the local elections, one (1) from the agricultural or industrial workers sector, and one (1) from the other sectors, including urban poor, indigenous cultural communities or disabled persons.

“(b) x x x x x”

SEC. 2. Incumbent and Additional Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Pedro. – The incumbent members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of San Pedro, Province of Laguna shall continue to serve until the expiration of their term of office. The additional members as provided under Section 1 of this Act, shall be elected, together with the incumbent regular members, in the next national and local elections after the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The Commission on Elections shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act within thirty (30) days after its effectivity.
SEC. 4. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5. Repealing Clause. – All laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 6. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,