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HOUSE BILL NO. 7214

Introduced by Representatives MARLYN B. ALONTE-NAGUIAT
and DAN S. FERNANDEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 9740, otherwise known as the “Charter of the
City of Biñan” in the Province of Laguna, was approved on October 30,
2009.

A 1st class city in the province of Laguna, Biñan has become both a
suburban residential community of Metro Manila and a location for some
of the Philippines’ largest industrial estates and export processing zones.
Popularly recognized as the trading center area immediately south of
Metro Manila, the city has the largest public market in the province of
Laguna, and in the CALABARZON region. It has also been the center of
commerce in the region because of the numerous banking institutions
across the city, plus the ever-growing number of commercial
establishments and emerging shopping centers. In terms of population
(based on the 2015 Census), it is the third largest in the province of
Laguna, after Calamba and Santa Rosa.

In view therefore of Biñan’s multi-dimensional growth, 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 BIÑAN IN
THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA FROM TEN (10) TO TWELVE
(12), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 10 (a) OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9740, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
“CHARTER OF THE CITY OF BIÑAN”

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 Biñan in the Province of Laguna.

- Section 10 (a) of Republic Act No. 9740, otherwise known as the
“Charter of the City of Biñan”, 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, [which] WHO shall be elected at large, 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 sectoral representatives, as members.

“(b) x x x x x

“(c) x x x x x”

SEC. 2. **Incumbent and Additional Members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Biñan.** – The incumbent members of the Sangguniang Panlungsod of the City of Biñan, 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,