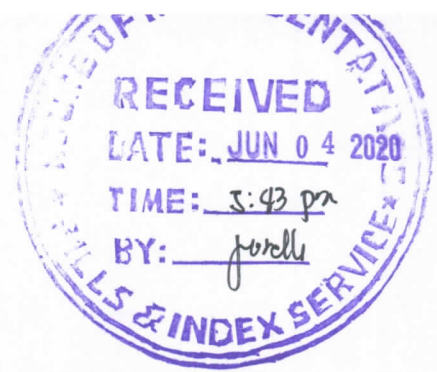


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez

House Res No. 957

A RESOLUTION

URGING HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE TO INSTRUCT THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM (SSS) TO RELEASE THE SECOND TRANCHE OF PHP 1,000 OF THE TOTAL PROPOSED PHP 2,000 INCREASE IN THE MONTHLY PENSION OF SSS PENSIONERS

WHEREAS, during the 17th Congress, the House of Representatives approved House Joint Resolution No. 10, entitled JOINT RESOLUTION INCREASING THE MONTHLY PENSION OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY SYSTEM PENSIONERS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OF 1997;

WHEREAS, this Joint Resolution proposed a Php 2,000 increase in the monthly pension of SSS pensioners to be released in two tranches;

WHEREAS, said Resolution provides that:

“Resolved by the House of Representatives and the Senate, To increase the monthly pension of the SSS pensioners by two thousand pesos (P2,000.00) under the Social Security Act of 1997, such that, the minimum monthly pension shall henceforth be three thousand two hundred pesos (P3,200.00) for members with at least ten (10) credited years of service and four thousand four hundred pesos (P4,400.00) for those with twenty (20) credited years of service.”

WHEREAS, it is also provided that:

“Resolved, further, That the two thousand pesos (P2,000.00) shall be given in two (2) tranches: the first tranche amounting to one thousand pesos (P1,000.00) shall be given starting January 2017; and, the second tranche amounting to one thousand pesos (P1,000.00) shall be extended to the pensioners in January 2019.”

WHEREAS, then SSS Chairman Amado Valdez said that the initial Php 1,000 pension hike will be released January 2017 with another Php 1,000 hike in 2022 “ but if we are able to implement and get favorable results, maybe it won't take until 2022, maybe by 2019 we can already comply with the next Php 1,000”;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 11199 or the Social Security Act of 2018 took effect February 7, 2019;

WHEREAS, until the present, the second tranche has yet to be approved and released;

WHEREAS, the additional Php 1,000, if approved, will be a big help to our pensioners especially during this COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, many pensioners are appealing for the release as it would be used by them to buy medicines;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives to respectfully urge His Excellency President Rodrigo Roa Duterte to instruct the Social Security System (SSS) to release the second tranche of Php 1,000 of the total proposed Php 2,000 increase in the monthly pension of SSS pensioners

Adopted,


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