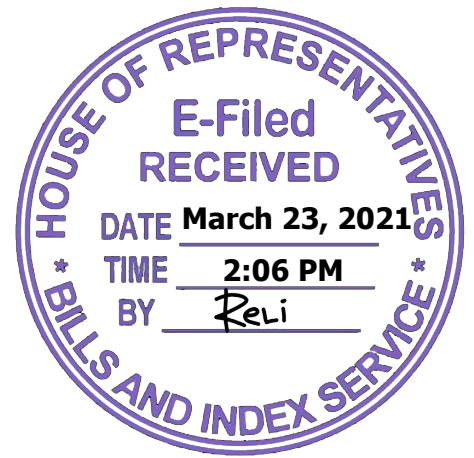


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Book Three, Article Twenty, Section 490 of the Local Government Code specifically provides for the qualifications, powers and duties of the General Services Officer. This position however, only applies to the levels of the provincial and city governments. On the municipal level, the creation of the position of general services officer was not made mandatory by Republic Act No. 7160. This has spawned several problems with respect to the appointment and the carrying out of the duties and responsibilities of the said officer in the municipal level.

This bill proposes the mandatory creation of the position of the municipal General Services Officer with the goal of eradicate or minimize corrupt practices in local government units. This measure effectively guarantees the uniformity of general services management of the local government units in the provincial city, and municipal level, and ensures the speedy delivery of services requiring general services expertise and technical support services will be ensured. This likewise provides for an improved system of procurement, care, utilization, custody and disposal of supplies or properties of the local government unit.

On behalf of the people of Parañaque City's Second District, and for the common good of the Filipino people, the approval of the said measure is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CREATING THE POSITION OF THE MUNICIPAL GENERAL SERVICES OFFICER IN
MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS, AMENDING SECTION 443 (a) AND SECTION 490 (a) OF
REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE
OF 1991

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

SECTION 1. Book III, Title Two, Chapter 2, Section 433 (a) of Republic Act No. 7160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 443. Officials of the Municipal Government. - (a) There shall be in each municipality a municipal mayor, a municipal vice-mayor, sangguniang bayan members, a secretary to the sangguniang bayan, a municipal treasurer, a municipal assessor, a municipal accountant, a municipal budget officer, a municipal planning and development coordinator, a municipal engineer/building official, a municipal health officer, [~~and~~] a municipal civil registrar **AND A MUNICIPAL GENERAL SERVICES OFFICER.**

SECTION 2. Book III, Title Five, Article 20, Section 490 (a) of Republic Act No. 7160 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 490. Qualifications, Powers and Duties. - (a) No person shall be appointed general services officer unless he is a citizen of the Philippines, a resident of the local government unit concerned, of good moral character, a holder of a college degree on public administration, business administration and management from a recognized college or university, and a first grade civil service eligible or its equivalent. He must have acquired experience in general services, including management of supply, property, solid waste disposal, and general sanitation, of at least five (5) years in the case of the provincial or city general services officer, and at least three (3) years in the case of the municipal general services officer. The appointment of a general services officer is mandatory for the provincial, [~~and~~] city, **AND MUNICIPAL** governments.

SEC. 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The Department of the Interior and Local Government shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act.

SEC. 3. Separability Clause. – If, for any reason, any provision of this Act or any part thereof be declared unconstitutional and invalid, the other parts or provisions of this Act not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 4. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules or regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of national circulation.

Approved,