



SECOND REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 118

RESOLUTION CALLING ON THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MILG) TO MONITOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS TO ENSURE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO IN ACCORDANCE WITH REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7277 AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10070

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 7277, otherwise known as the “Magna Carta for Disabled Persons”, declares that persons with disabilities are part of the Philippine society, thus, the State shall give full support to the improvement of their total well-being and their integration into the mainstream of society;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7277 further declares that the State shall adopt policies ensuring the rehabilitation, self-development and self-reliance of disabled persons. It shall develop their skills and potentials to enable them to compete favorably for available opportunities;

WHEREAS, to facilitate integration of disabled persons into the mainstream of society, the State shall advocate and encourage respect for disabled persons. The State shall exert all efforts to remove all social, cultural, economic, environmental and attitudinal barriers that are prejudicial to disabled persons.

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10070, otherwise known as “An Act Establishing Institutional Mechanism to ensure the Implementation of Programs and Services for Persons with Disabilities in Every Province, City and Municipality”, amending Republic Act No. 7277, was approved into law in April 6, 2010;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10070 provides that local government units (LGUs) shall promote the establishment of organizations of persons with disabilities (PWDs) in their respective territorial jurisdictions. National agencies and local government units may enter into joint ventures with organizations or associations of PWDs to explore livelihood opportunities and other undertakings that shall enhance the health, physical fitness and the economic and social well-being of PWDs;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10070 also mandates local government units to organize and establish Persons with Disability Affairs Office (PDAO). In consideration of budget restraints, local chief executives of fourth (4th), fifth (5th) and sixth (6th) class municipalities may, in lieu of the creation of a PDAO, designate a focal person who shall perform the functions of the PDAO. Local government units shall likewise ensure that the necessary funds from any available local revenues is allocated for the implementation of this Act for the benefit of PWDs in their jurisdictions;

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Organic Law or Republic Act No.11054, under Section 3, Article IX, states that the Bangsamoro Government shall establish a special agency, support facilities and livelihood or skills training for persons with special needs, and other disadvantaged persons for their rehabilitation and productive integration into mainstream society;

WHEREAS, to promote and protect the rights and welfare of PWDs in the BARMM, it is highly recommended that the Bangsamoro Government shall establish an institutional mechanism to ensure the implementation of programs and services for persons with disabilities at the regional and local levels;

WHEREAS, part of the functions of the PDAO or LGU PWD focal person are: a) Formulate and implement policies, plans and programs for the promotion of the welfare of PWDs in coordination with concerned national agencies, BARMM ministries/offices, and local government agencies; b) Coordinate the implementation of the provisions of PWD related laws; c) Represent PWDs in meetings of local development councils and other special bodies; d) Gather and compile relevant data on PWDs in their localities; e) Disseminate information including, but not limited to, programs and activities for PWDs, statistics on PWDs, including children with disability, and training and employment opportunities for PWDs, and f) other functions as mandated by law;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, to call on the Ministry of Interior and Local Government to monitor the establishment of institutional mechanisms to ensure the implementation of Programs and Services for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao in accordance with Republic Act No. 7277 as amended by R.A. No. 10070.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, to forward the foregoing Resolution to the Ministry of Interior and Local Government and the Ministry of Social Services and development, BARMM, for information and appropriate consideration.

ADOPTED, March 24, 2021.

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