

Republic of the Philippines
REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
Cotabato City

SECOND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
(FOURTH REGULAR SESSION)

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the twenty-second day of April, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Six.

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[MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 51]

"AN ACT APPROPRIATING LOCAL FUNDS FOR THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO FROM APRIL ONE NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SIX TO MARCH THIRTY ONE NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SEVEN AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Be it enacted by the Regional Legislative Assembly in session assembled:

SECTION 1. Appropriation of Funds.- The amount of Eighty Million Seven Hundred Thousand (P80,700,000.00) Pesos is hereby appropriated out of the local funds of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao for the following purposes:

1. REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY P 14,000,000

Special Provision:

Provided, the amount of P14,000,000 herein appropriated shall be disbursed in accordance with a resolution as may be passed by the RLA for the purpose.

Total New Appropriations, RLA 14,000,000

2. OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL GOVERNOR 14,000,000

A. PERSONAL SERVICES

Total Salaries of Temporary, Contractual and Emergency Personnel 3,709,476

Total Salaries and Wages 3,709,476

Other Compensation:

Personnel Economic Relief Allowance 174,000

Additional Compensation Allowance	174,000
R A T A	459,000
Bonus and Incentives	347,123
Medicare	17,100
PAG-IBIG Contribution	45,600
Others: Clothing	76,000

Total Other Compensation 1,292,823

Gross Compensation 5,002,299

Retirement and Life Insurance Premiums. 174,912

Total Personal Services 5,177,211

B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02 Travelling Expenses	1,050,000
03 Communication Services	300,000
07 Supplies and Materials	1,200,000
10 Grants-in-Aid	625,000
17 Trainings and Seminar Expenses	700,000
23 Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	100,000
29 Other Services	2,942,789

Total M O O E 6,917,789

C. CAPITAL OUTLAYS

36 Fur., Fix. Eqpt. and Books Outlay 1,905,000

Total Capital Outlays 1,905,000

Total New Appropriations, ORG 14,000,000

3. OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL VICE-GOVERNOR 400,000

B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02 Travelling Expenses	200,000
29 Other Services	200,000

Total M O O E 400,000

Total New Appropriations, ORVG 400,000

4. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS 4,000,000
(BUREAU OF MADARIS EDUCATION, DECS)

A. PERSONAL SERVICES

Total Personal Services 2,998,241

B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
02	Travelling Expenses	240,000
03	Communications Services	40,000
05	Repair & Maint. of Gov't Vehicles	45,000
07	Supplies and Materials	80,000
17	Training and Seminar Expenses	150,000
29	Other Services	446,759
	Total M O O E	1,001,759
	Total New Appropriations, DECS/BME	4,000,000
5.	DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM	500,000
A. PERSONAL SERVICES		
	Total Personal Services	150,000
C. CAPITAL OUTLAY		
36	Equipment Outlay	350,000
	Total New Appropriations, DAR	500,000
6.	DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES	400,000
A. PERSONAL SERVICES		
	Total Personal Services	180,000
B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENDITURE		
02	Travelling Expenses	80,000
05	Repair & Maint of Gov't. Vehicles	30,000
07	Supplies and Materials	40,000
23	Gasoline, Oil & Lubricants	70,000
	Total M O O E	220,000
	Total New Appropriations, DAF	400,000
7.	DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES	2,500,000
A. REGIONAL OFFICE		
A.1.	Construction of additional office building	700,000
B. PENRO, LANA O DEL SUR		
B.1.	Renovation of Provincial Office Building	300,000

C.	CENRO, SAGUIARAN, LANAO DEL SUR	
	C.1. Office Renovation	150,000
D.	CENRO, MALABANG, LANAO DEL SUR	
	D.1. Office Renovation	150,000
E.	PENRO, MAGUINDANAO, COTABATO CITY	
	E.1. Office Renovation	300,000
F.	CENRO, PARANG, MAGUINDANAO	
	F.1. Office Renovation	150,000
G.	CENRO, MAGANDY, MAGUINDANAO	
	G.1. Office Renovation	100,000
H.	PENRO, SULU	
	H.1. Office Renovation	150,000
I.	CENRO, JOLO, SULU	
	I.1. Office Completion	100,000
J.	CENRO, SIASI	
	J.1. Office Construction	200,000
K.	PENRO, TAWI-TAWI	
	K.1. Office Renovation	200,000
	Total New Appropriations, DENR	<u>2,500,000</u>
B.	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	400,000
	B. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	36 Equipment Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, DOH	<u>400,000</u>
9.	DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT	400,000
	A. OPERATIONS	
	A.1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SECTOR	250,000
	A.2. INTERIOR SECTOR	40,000

A.3.	IMPLEMENTATION OF FLAGSHIP PROGRAM BY BOTH LGUs AND DILG	60,000
A.4.	ORGANIZATION DEVELOPMENT LG and (Interior)	50,000
	Total New Appropriations, DILG	400,000
10.	DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT	500,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	Total M O O E	389,000
	C. EQUIPMENT OUTLAY	
	Total Capital Outlay	111,000
	Total New Appropriations, DOLE	500,000
11.	DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS	400,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	36 Equipment Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, DPWH	400,000
12.	DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	400,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Traveling Expenses	105,000
	03 Communication Services	20,000
	06 Transportation Services	15,000
	07 Supplies and Materials	105,000
	17 Training and Seminar Expenses	45,000
	23 Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	110,000
	Total M O O E	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, DOST	400,000
13.	DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT	400,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	36 Fur., Fix., Eqpt. & Books Outlay	400,000
	Total Capital Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, DSWD	400,000

14.	DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM	400,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Total Personal Services	138,438
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Traveling Expenses	200,000
	29 Other Services	
	Special Purpose	61,562
	Total M O O E	261,562
	Total New Appropriations, DOT	400,000
15.	DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY	400,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	36 Equipment Outlay	400,000
	Total Capital Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, DTI	400,000
16.	HOUSING AND LAND USE REGULATORY BOARD	250,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	17 Training and Seminar Expenses	250,000
	Total M O O E	250,000
	Total New Appropriations, HLURB	250,000
17.	OFFICE FOR SOUTHERN CULTURAL COMMUNITIES	400,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	Work Animal Outlay	400,000
	Total Capital Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, OSCC	400,000
18.	REGIONAL BOARD OF INVESTMENT	400,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	36 Equipment Outlay	400,000
	Total Capital Outlay	400,000
	Total New Appropriations, RBOI	400,000

19.	REGIONAL PLANNING DEVELOPMENT OFFICE/RPDB . . .	1,500,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Total Personal Services	240,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	170,000
	07 Supplies and Materials	120,000
	17 Training, Seminars & Meetings	550,000
	29 Other Services (Support to foreign assisted projects)	60,000
	Total M O O E	900,000
	C. CAPITAL OUTLAY	
	Total Capital Outlay	360,000
	Total New Appropriations, RPDO/RPDB	1,500,000
20.	SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY . . .	1,500,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	R A T A	860,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	150,000
	03 Communication Services	10,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Vehicles	80,000
	06 Transportation Services	10,000
	07 Supplies & Materials	20,000
	14 Water/Illumination & Power	20,000
	17 Training and Sem. Expenses	10,000
	18 Ext. & Misc. Expenses	20,000
	29 Other Services	20,000
	M I D P	300,000
	Total M O O E	640,000
	Total New Appropriations, SPDA	1,500,000
21.	ARMM DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY	750,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Total Personal Services	482,538

B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02	Travelling Expenses	80,000
03	Communication Services	10,000
04	Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Facilities	5,000
07	Supplies and Materials	7,462
17	Training and Seminar Expenses	150,000
23	Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	5,000
29	Other Services	10,000
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	Total M O O E	267,462
	Total New Appropriations	750,000

22. BUREAU OF CULTURAL HERITAGE 4,000,000

A. PERSONAL SERVICES

	Total Salaries and Wages	2,406,864
	Other Compensation:	
	Commutable Allowance (RATA)	135,000
	P E R A	144,000
	Year End Benefits and Cash Gift	227,572
	Medicare Premium	10,125
	PAG-IBIG Contribution	32,400
	Employees Compensation Ins. Premium	9,720
	Additional Compensation Allowance	144,000
	Government Service Insurance Premium	176,403
	Others: Medical Allowance	40,500
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	Total Other Compensation	919,720
	Total Personal Services	3,326,584

B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02	Travelling Expenses	50,000
03	Communication Services	5,000
05	Repair & Maintenance of Gov't Veh.	5,000
06	Transportation Services	10,000
07	Supplies and Materials	40,000
08	Rents	40,000
14	Water/ Illumination and Power	10,000
17	Training and Seminar Expenses	20,000
18	Extraordinary/Contingency Emer. Exp.	40,000
23	Gasoline, Oils and Lubricants	13,416
29	Other Services	80,000
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	Total M O O E	323,416
	Total Current Operating Expenses	3,650,000

C. CAPITAL OUTLAY		
36	Fur., Fixture, Eqpt. & Books Outlay	350,000
	Total Capital Outlay	<u>350,000</u>
	Total New Appropriations, BCH	4,000,000
23.	BUREAU OF PUBLIC INFORMATION	1,500,000
A. PERSONAL SERVICES		
	Total Personal Services	1,288,041
B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
02	Travelling Expenses	100,000
03	Communication Services	50,000
04	Transportation Services	10,000
29	Other Services	51,595
	Total M O O E	<u>211,959</u>
	Total New Appropriations, BPI.	1,500,000
24.	OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL SOLICITOR GENERAL	2,000,000
A. PERSONAL SERVICES		
	Total Salaries and Wages	401,616
	Other Compensation:	
	Commutable Allowance (R A T A)	99,000
	Year End Benefit and Cash Gift	35,468
	Others:	
	Clothing Allowance	4,000
	Honoraria 30%	154,126.80
	Total Other Compensation	<u>292,594.80</u>
	Total Personal Services	694,210.80
B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
02	Travelling Expenses	100,000
03	Communication Services	3,000
07	Supplies and Materials	35,000
08	Rents	90,000
17	Training and Seminar Exp.	10,000
18	Extraordinary/Cont./Emergency Exp.	95,000

29	Other Services: (Professional Consultancy/ Expert/Contractual Services)	920,765.68
	Total M O O E	1,253,765.68
C. CAPITAL OUTLAYS		
300-36	Fur., Fix. Eqpt. & Books	52,023.52
	Total Capital Outlay	52,023.52
	Total New Appropriations, OSG	2,000,000
25.	OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL TREASURER	8,000,000
A. PERSONAL SERVICES		
	Total Salaries and Wages	2,945,916
	Other Compensation:	
	P700/P800/P1,000/Salary Increase	448,844
	Step Increment, Merit/Length of Service	20,000
	Personnel Economic and Relief Allowance	156,000
	Additional Compensation Allowance	180,000
	R A T A	336,000
	Bonus and Incentives	296,116.06
	Medicare	14,400
	P A G - I B I G	27,510.96
	Employees Comp. Insurance Premium	8,280
	Others: Clothing Allowance	59,400
	Money Value of Leave Credits	383,593.26
	Total Other Compensation	1,930,144.28
	Retirement & Life Insurance	208,899.72
	Total Personal Services	5,085,000
B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
02	Travelling Expenses	300,000
03	Communication Services	20,000
05	Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Vehicles	35,000
07	Supplies & Materials	260,000
14	Water, Illum. and Power	50,000
15	Social Security Benefits	1,580,000
17	Training and Seminar	50,000
18	Extra Ordinary & Misc. Exps.	120,000
23	Gasoline, Oil & Lubricants	100,000
29	Other Services	200,000
	Total Current Operating Expenses	2,715,000

C. CAPITAL OUTLAYS		
36	Fur., Fix., Eqpt/Books Outlay	
	Vehicles	200,000
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	Total Capital Outlays	200,000
	Total New Appropriations, ORT	8,000,000
26.	REGIONAL BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE	4,000,000
A. CURRENT OPERATING EXPENDITURES		
	Personal Services	1,643,388
	Other Compensation:	
	Personnel Eco. Relief Allowance	66,000
	R A T A	228,000
	G S I S	156,122
	Bonus and Incentives	149,949
	Medicare	5,850
	P A G - I B I G	15,600
	Employees Compensation Ins. Premium	4,680
	Others: Clothing Allowance	30,600
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	Total Other Compensation	656,801
	Gross Compensation	2,300,189
	Honoraria	233,682
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	Total Personal Services	2,533,871
B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES		
02	Traveling Expenses	360,000
03	Communication Services	50,000
07	Supplies and Materials	180,000
08	Rents	60,000
17	Training & Seminar Expenses	120,000
18	Ext. and Misc. Expenses	95,000
23	Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	60,000
29	Other Services	241,129
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	Total M O O E	1,166,129
	Total Current Operating Expenses	3,700,000
C. CAPITAL OUTLAYS		
36	Fur., Fix., Eqpt., & Books Outlay	300,000
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	Total Capital Outlays	300,000
	Total New Appropriations, RBMD	4,000,000

27.	REGIONAL CODE COMMISSION	2,500,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Salaries Per/Itemized Positions	1,245,996
	P E R A	36,000
	Additional Compensation Allowance	36,000
	R A T A	180,000
	Others: Clothing Allowance	18,000
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	Total Personal Services	1,515,996
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	350,000
	03 Communication Services	30,000
	04 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Fac.	25,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of gov't. Veh.	21,000
	06 Transportation Services	15,000
	07 Supplies and Materials	85,000
	08 Rents	120,000
	14 Water/Illumination & Power	15,000
	17 Training and Seminar Expenses	35,000
	23 Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	45,000
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	Total M O O E	984,004
	Total New Appropriations, RCC	2,500,000
28.	REGIONAL PROJECT MONITORING & EVALUATION COMM.	500,000
	B. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	320,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Veh	40,000
	07 Supplies and Materials	100,000
	23 Gasoline, Oil and Lubricants	40,000
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	Total M O O E	500,000
	Total New Appropriations, RPMEC	500,000
29.	REGIONAL RECONCILIATION & UNIFICATION COMMISSION	2,000,000
	A. PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Salaries and Wages	611,140
	Representation and Transportation Allowance	204,000
	Honorarium	554,000
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	Total Personal Services	1,369,140

B.	MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENDITURES	
02	Travelling Expenses	147,265
03	Communication Services	40,000
07	Supplies and Materials	50,000
29	Others: (Special Purpose Fund)	393,595
	Total M O O E	630,860
	Total New Appropriations, RRUC	2,000,000
30.	PHILIPPINE SPORTS COMMISSION	100,000
A.	PERSONAL SERVICES	
	Total Salaries and Wages	81,276
B.	MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
02	Travelling Expenses	18,724
	Total M O O E	18,724
	Total New Appropriations, PSC	100,000
31.	FUND ALLOCATION FOR AGENCIES TO BE DEVOLVED	2,500,000
A.	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS (Attached Office)	1,000,000
B.	COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	500,000
C.	CHED	500,000
D.	TESDA	500,000
	Total New Appropriations	2,500,000
32.	PROGRAMS/LOCALLY FUNDED PROJECTS	8,700,000
A.	ARMM REGIONAL CENTER SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN	1,000,000
B.	LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM FOR BARTER TRADERS DEV'T. PLAN. FOR FREE TRADE CENTERS	1,000,000
C.	INFORMATION DISSEMINATION OF ARMM REVENUE CODE (OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE)	3,000,000

C.1. PERSONAL SERVICES 1,200,000
 01 (Honoraria) 1,200,000

C.2. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02 Travelling Expenses 360,000
 03 Communication Services 100,000
 07 Supplies and Materials 250,000
 17 Training & Seminar Exp. 150,000
 23 Gasoline, Oil & Lubricants 120,000
 29 Other Services 820,000

Total M O O E 1,800,000

Total New Appropriations 3,000,000

D. BIMP-EAGA 3,200,000

D.1. PERSONAL SERVICES

Salaries and Wages 310,000
 Honorarium 690,000

Total Personal Services 1,000,000

D.2. MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

02 Travelling Expenses 800,000
 03 Communications Services 60,000
 07 Supplies and Materials 300,000
 05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Veh. 60,000
 08 Rents 50,000
 17 Training and Seminar Expenses. 150,000
 29 Other Services 780,000

Total M O O E 2,200,000

Total Current Operating Exp. 3,200,000

E.	INVESTMENT PROMOTION (ARMM TRADE FAIR)	500,000
E.1.	MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	90,000
	03 Communication Services	25,000
	07 Supplies and Materials	50,000
	17 Training and Seminar Exp.	50,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Veh.	15,000
	23 Gasoline, Oil & Lubricants	50,000
	29 Other Services	220,000
	Total M O D E	500,000
	Total New Appropriations, LFP	8,700,000
33.	MISCELLANEOUS PERSONNEL BENEFITS FUND	1,000,000
34.	ARMM GOVERNMENT CENTER, PARANG MAGUINDANAO	1,000,000
B.	MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENDITURES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	180,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't. Veh.	60,000
	07 Training and Seminar Expenses	160,000
	08 Rents	100,000
	29 Other Services	500,000
	Total M O D E	1,000,000
	Total New Appropriations	1,000,000
35.	LIVELIHOOD PROGRAM FOR BARTER TRADERS, JOLO, SULU AND POLLOC, PARANG, MAGUINDANAO	1,000,000
B.	MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENDITURES	
	02 Travelling Expenses	220,000
	05 Repair & Maint. of Gov't Veh.	30,000
	07 Training and Seminar Expenses	40,000
	08 Rents	200,000
	29 Other Services	510,000
	Total M O D E	1,000,000
	Total New Appropriations	1,000,000
	GRAND TOTAL	<u><u>P80,700,000</u></u>

General/Special Provisions:

1. Release and Use of Funds:

Fund releases from the Office of the Regional Treasurer shall be in accordance with the Advice of Allotment and the Work and Financial Plan of the Agency or Office as approved by the Regional Governor; provided, that funds for special purpose or specific project or activity shall be released on time to meet its schedule; provided further, that the Regional Budget and Management Office in coordination with the Office of the Regional Treasury is hereby authorized to establish a system for the release of appropriations of Regional Departments, Bureaus, Offices and Agencies.

2. Use of Appropriations for Retirement Gratuity and Terminal Leave:

Release of appropriations authorized in this act to cover retirement gratuity and terminal leave benefit claims shall be made on the basis of the Work and Financial Plan of Agencies and Offices as approved by the Regional Governor.

3. Use and Release of Lump-sum Appropriations:

Funds appropriated to operationalize the Agencies to be devolved and for other payable shall be released to the agency or office concerned based on a Special Budget to be submitted and approved by the Regional Governor.

4. Reserved Funds:

The Regional Governor for the Executive branch and the Speaker for the Legislative branch of the Autonomous Regional Government are authorized to impose reserved funds on their respective budget appropriation.

5. Revolving Fund:

Receipts derived from business-type activities of the ARMM Development Academy shall be constituted as a revolving fund which shall be separately recorded and deposited in an authorized government depository bank and may be made available for operational expenses of the activity of the office subject to the condition prescribed by its board provided, that interest and other income earned shall be remitted to the Office of the Regional Treasurer (ORT). The agency concerned shall submit to the Regional Governor, through the Regional Budget Management Office (RBMO), copy furnished the Regional Legislative Assembly-Committee on Appropriations and the ORT, a quarterly report of Income and Expenditure from the fund. In case of failure to submit such requirements, no withdrawal in the subsequent quarter

shall be allowed in audit except upon the certification of the Office of the Regional Governor as confirmed by the RBMO that said report was submitted.

SEC. 2. Source of Funds. - The amount herein appropriated for the purposes aforesaid shall come from the Local Funds of the ARMM for FY 1996 (April 1, 1996 to March 31, 1997), including but not limited to other sources and income realized from the operation of the Autonomous Region.

SEC. 3. Disbursement. - The Regional Governor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao is hereby authorized to withdraw and disburse from the Regional Funds of the ARMM such amount as appropriated and indicated in the aforementioned purposes, except the support fund to the Oversight Committee which shall be retained by the Regional Treasurer, subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations. Provided, that the appropriations intended for the Regional Legislative Assembly shall be automatically and regularly released to the Office of the Regional Speaker which shall be disbursed subject to accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

SEC. 4. Separability Clause. - If, for any reason or reasons, any part or provision of this Act shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

APPROVED:

(SGD) GUIMID P. MATALAM
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Legislative Assembly on May 29, 1996.

(SGD) TOMMY A. ALA
Secretary General

APPROVED:

LININDING P. PANGANDAMAN
Regional Governor
Date _____

* LAPSED INTO LAW.