

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

EIGHT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
First Regular Session

[MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 310]

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the twenty-second day of July 2013.

“AN ACT AUGMENTING THE GRANT OF HONORARIA, ALLOWANCES, MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES (MOOE) AND TRAVEL EXPENSES TO THE PROSECUTORS AND STAFF OF THE REGIONAL PROSECUTION OFFICE OF THE AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO.”

Be it enacted by the Regional Assembly in session assembled.

Section 1. Office of the Regional Prosecutor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao: Creation and Duties- The Office of the Regional Prosecutor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao was created by virtue of Executive Order No. 36, dated September 19, 2001 by Her Excellency Gloria Macapagal Arroyo and Department of Justice Circular No. 73 dated November 15, 2001 as a result of the extended Autonomy Act under Republic Act No. 9054. It is the 14th Administrative Region of the Department of Justice that covered the areas of the ARMM, consisting of Marawi City, Lamitan City, Lanao del Sur, Maguindanao, Basilan, Sulu, and TawiTawi. Among its functions are to implement the policies, programs, memoranda, orders, circulars and rules and regulations of Department of Justice relative to the investigation of criminal cases in the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM). It exercises immediate administrative supervision and control over all Provincial/ City Prosecutors and their respective staff within the Region. It prosecutes cases arising within the Region and coordinates with Justice and local governments and police units in the Autonomous Region.

Sec. 2. Organizational Structure of ORP-ARMM – The Office of the Regional Prosecutor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ORP-ARMM) Regional Office, as provided under R.A. 10071; shall be headed by a Regional Prosecutor, who will be assisted by a Deputy Regional Prosecutor, one (1) Senior Assistant Regional Prosecutor, and three (3) Assistant Regional Prosecutors and one (1) Prosecution Attorney. It shall have subordinate personnel which are now two (2) Administrative Assistant V, two (2) Administrative Aide VI, and two (2) Administrative Assistant.

Sec. 3. Existing Laws that Governed the Grant of Honoraria or Allowances- Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government code of 1991, the Muslim Mindanao Autonomy Act No. 25 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao and Section 14 of Presidential Decree No. 1275 otherwise known as an Act Reorganizing the Prosecution Staff of the Department of Justice and Offices of the Provincial and City Fiscals, Regionalizing the Prosecution Service and Creating the National Prosecution Service, Republic Act No. 10071 entitled, an act strengthening and rationalizing the National Prosecution Service mandates the Regional Government of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao to authorize budget appropriation for the grant of honoraria, allowances, maintenance and other operating expenses (MOOE) and travel expenses to the Prosecutors and staff of the Office of the Regional Prosecutor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (ARMM).

Sec. 4. Entitlement to Monthly Honoraria, Allowances, Maintenance and other Operating Expenses (MOOE) and Travel Expenses to the Regional Prosecutors, Assistants and Staff.

Position	Proposed Honoraria
Regional Prosecutor	30,000.00
Deputy Reg'l Prosecutor	20,000.00
Asst. Regional Prosecutor	20,000.00
Asst. Regional Prosecutor	20,000.00
Asst. Regional Prosecutor	20,000.00
Senior Assistant Regional	20,000.00
Prosecution Attorney I	15,000.00
Administrative Assistant V	5,000.00
Administrative Assistant V	5,000.00
Administrative Aide VI	5,000.00
Administrative Aide VI	5,000.00
Administrative Staff	4,000.00
Administrative Staff	4,000.00
TOTAL	173,000.00
Maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) and Travel Expenses	77,000.00
TOTAL	<u>P250,000.00</u>

Sec. 5. Construction of the Office of Regional Prosecutor – The Regional Government is mandated to construct the Office of Regional Prosecutor. The seat of the office of the Regional Prosecutor is preferably in Cotabato City or any other suitable, accessible and strategic area in the ARMM.

Sec. 6. Funds – The amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Pesos (P250,000.00) intended for the monthly honoraria, allowances, MOOE and travelling expenses is hereby appropriated out of the funds of Regional Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Any deficiency thereof shall be incorporated in the annual budget of the Regional Autonomous Government.

Sec. 7. Separability Clause – If, for any reasons, any part or provisions of the law shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be held in full force and effect.

Sec. 8. Applicability – The Honoraria, Allowances, maintenance and Other Operating Expenses (MOOE) and Travel Expenses granted to the Prosecutors and staff of the ORP-ARMM shall be applicable to such Prosecutors appointed by the Secretary of Justice and the Support Staff appointed by the Regional Prosecutor of the Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

Sec. 9. Effectivity Clause– This Act shall take effect immediately after its publication at once in a newspaper of Regional Circulation.

APPROVED.

(SGD) DATU ROONIE Q. SINSUAT
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Legislative Assembly on December 10, 2013.

(SGD) DATU MAMA M. AMPATUAN
Secretary-General

APPROVED:

(SGD) MUJIV S. HATAMAN
Regional Governor
Date: _____

Lapsed into law on January 11, 2014 pursuant to Section 17, Article VI of Republic Act No. 9054.