



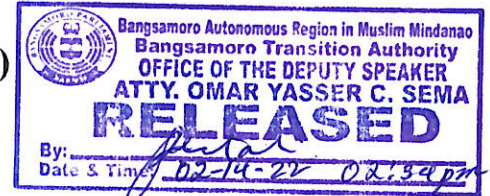
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Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City



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(THIRD REGULAR SESSION)

BTA Bill No. 171



AN ACT
AUTHORIZING ANNUAL RAMADAN ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE AND RELIEF (REAR) TO BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES

Introduced by: Deputy Speaker Atty. Omar Yasser C. Sema

Be it enacted by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) in Parliament assembled this ___ day of ____ / ___ day of February 2022 at the Bangsamoro Parliament, Cotabato City.

SECTION 1. *Short Title* – This act shall be known as the “*Ramadan Economic Assistance and Relief (REAR) Act of 2022*”.

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy* – It is hereby declared the policy of the Government of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) to establish a balanced society and assert its rights to conserve and develop its patrimony, reflective of its system of life as prescribed by the Bangsamoro people’s faith, in harmony with its customary laws, cultures and traditions and affirm its distinct historical identity and birthright to its ancestral homeland, and its right to chart a political future that will secure the Bangsamoro identity and posterity, and allow genuine and meaningful self-governance.

SECTION 3. *Officials and Employees covered* – All officials and employees of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), whether permanent, co-terminus, job order or contractual, who have rendered at least four months of service before the month of Ramadan, shall receive Ramadan Economic Assistance and Relief (REAR) equivalent to one month basic salary.

SECTION 4. *Other employees covered* – The above-mentioned officials and employees of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM), who are employed in the Bangsamoro Government for less than three (3) months before the month of Ramadan shall be entitled solely with the following grant:

Length of Service	Amount
3 months but less than 4 months	50% of one month basic salary
2 months but less than 3 months	40% of one month basic salary
1 month but less than 2 months	30% of one month basic salary
Less than one month	20% of one month basic salary

SECTION 5. *Source of fund* – For CY 2022, the amount needed for the implementation of this Act shall be taken from any available fund of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

For succeeding years, the amount shall be included in the annual Bangsamoro Appropriations Act (BAA).

SECTION 6. *Limit* – No official and employee of the Bangsamoro Government shall receive Ramadan Economic Relief Assistance from any and all sources in excess of the one month basic salary.

SECTION 7. *Implementing Ministry* – The Office of the Chief Minister of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) through the Office of the Ministry of Finance, Budget and Management (MFBM) shall implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 8. *Period of release* – The grant shall be released a week prior to the Month of Ramadan based on the Hijra Calendar but not later than the 15th day of the same;


SECTION 9. *Audit* – All financial transactions and expenditures under this Act shall be subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations as provided in the R.A NO. 11054, otherwise known as Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL);

SECTION 10. *Separability Clause*. If any section or provision of this Act shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other sections or provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. *Repealing Clause*. Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to, or inconsistent with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

SECTION 12. *Effectivity*. This Act shall take effect immediately after its publication.

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