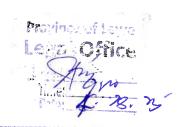




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PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICE



2nd INDORSEMENT

April 23, 2025

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte, through SP Secretary, the attached Ordinance No. 24-24 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte.

Issues/concerns for review/recommendation/legal opinion is/are as follows:

• Ordinance No. 24-24 entitled: "An Ordinance adopting the new early childhood care and development and converting day care services to quality early childhood care development."

REVIEW/RECOMMENDATION/LEGAL OPINION:

This office is of the opinion that the subject Ordinance is generally in accordance with its power under Section 447(a)(1)¹ of the Local Government Code of 1991 (R.A 7160) in relation to RA 10410². Hence, we recommend for the declaration of its validity.

We hope to have assisted you with this request. Please note that the opinion rendered by this Office are based on facts available and may vary or change when additional facts and documents are presented or changed. This opinion is likewise without prejudice to the opinions rendered by higher and competent authorities and/or the courts.

ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL

Provincial Legal Officer

¹ (a) The sangguniang bayan, as the legislative body of the municipality, shall enact ordinances, approve resolutions and appropriate funds for the general welfare of the municipality and its inhabitants pursuant to Section 16 of this Code and in the proper exercise of the corporate powers of the municipality as provided for under Section 22 of this Code,

² "Early Years Act (EYA) of 2013".

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

1ST INDORSEMENT 21 April 2025

The Provincial Legal Office is respectfully requested to review and submit recommendations on the herein enclosed Municipal Ordinance No. 24-24, of the Municipality of Burauen, Leyte, entitled: An Ordinance adapting the new early childhood care and development and converting day care services to quality early childhood care development.

FLORINDA ULL S. UYVICO Secretary to the Sanggunian



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

April 15, 2025

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS Sangguniang Panlalawigan **Province of Leyte**

ATTENTION: FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO

Secretary to the Sanggunian

Province of Leyte

Palo, Leyte



Ladies/Gentlemen:

We transmit herewith 15 copies of Municipal Ordinance No. 24-24. Series of 2024 of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled "Ordinance Adapting the New Early Childhood Care and Development and Converting Day Care Services to Quality Early Childhood Care Development", for review and approval of the body.

Thank you and please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Respectfully yours,

CHARITY C. BARBOSA Board Secretary II





Republic of the Philippines Province of Leyte Municipality of Burauen



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 24-24 SERIES OF 2024



ORDINANCE ADAPTING THE NEW EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT AND CONVERTING DAY CARE SERVICES TO QUALITY EARL CHILDHOOD CARE DEVELOPMENT

SPONSOR: HON. CIPRIANO R. RELATORRES, JR. Committee on Child Protection and Welfare

WHEREAS, the Philippine Government has adopted a policy recognizing and promoting the rights of children to survival, development, special protection, and participation, with full acknowledgment of the unique nature of childhood and its specific needs;

WHEREAS, in support of this policy, the Philippine Legislature enacted the ECCD Act, which commits to establishing a comprehensive, integrative, and sustainable national system for Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD), fostering multi-sectoral and inter-agency collaboration at all levels;

WHEREAS, one of the key objectives of the National Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) system is to ensure that young children are properly prepared for the formal learning system;

WHEREAS, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 10410, also known as the "Early Years Act (EYA) of 2013," declares that the State recognizes the age range from zero (0) to eight (8) years as a critical period for educational development, with the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) Council responsible for the care and development of children from zero (0) to four (4) years old. Consequently, the responsibility for fostering the development of children between the ages of five (5) and eight (8) falls under the Department of Education (DepEd);

WHEREAS, the ECCD Curriculum refers to developmentally appropriate educational objectives and practices, activity programs, organized learning experiences, recommended learning materials, and suitable assessments for children from zero (0) to four (4) years old, all of which are implemented by service providers through center-based programs;

WHEREAS, the municipality of Burauen is composed of seventy-seven (77) barangays, each housing an ECCD Center that ensures young children receive support in their early development through the implementation of the ECCD Program. This includes the provision of appropriate reading materials, a conducive learning environment, active parent/guardian participation, and dedicated teachers who help children develop essential reading skills and recognize colors and shapes;

WHEREAS, in order to further strengthen the implementation of the ECCD Program, the ECCD curriculum will be adopted to provide age-appropriate learning discussions and activities that support children's early development and enhance their learning abilities and skills;

WHEREAS, this ordinance aims to comply with the national government's requirement to adopt the new ECCD curriculum for the young children of the municipality.

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NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, in session assembled, that:

SECTION I – *Title.* This ordinance shall be known as, "Ordinance Adapting the New Early Childhood Care and Development and Converting Day Care Services to Quality Early Childhood Care Development".

SECTION II – Scope and Coverage. This ordinance mandates the adaption and implementation of the new Early Childhood Care Development System under R.A. 10410 from Day Care Service Program within the territorial jurisdiction of Burauen, Leyte.

SECTION III – *Definition of Terms*. For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms shall mean:

- a) Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) System shall refer to the full range of health, nutrition, early education and social services development programs that provide for the basic holistic needs of young children from age zero (0) to four (4) years; eight (8) as the first crucial stage of educational development of which the age from zero (0) to four (4) years is specifically emphasized as the key focus of ECCD programs. The Department of Education (DepEd) is responsible for supporting the development of children during the formative years between ages five (5) and eight (8).
- b) ECCD Curriculum refers to the developmentally appropriate educational objectives, practices, and programs of activities designed for children from zero (0) to age four (4). It includes organized learning experiences, recommended learning materials, and suitable assessments, all implemented by service providers through both center-based and home-based programs. The curriculum shall be composed of national program goals and guidelines, instructional objectives, and content outlines that are age-appropriate, individually tailored, and culturally relevant.
- c) Parent Education shall refer to the various formal and alternative means of providing parents with information, skills and support systems to assist them in their roles as their children's primary caregivers and educators. These include public and private parent education programs linked to center, home and mediabased child care and education programs.

SECTION IV – *Key Programs and Fundamentals.* The Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) programs shall include:

- a) Center-based programs, such as the day care service established under Republic Act No. 6972, otherwise known as the "Barangay Level Total Development and Protection of Children Act", and hereinafter referred to as the child development service, community or church-based early childhood education programs initiated by non-government organizations or people's organizations, workplace-related child care and education programs, child-minding centers, health centers and stations; and
- b) *Home-based programs*, such as the neighborhood-based play groups, family child care programs, parent education and home visiting programs.
- c) ECCD (Early Childhood Care and Development) service providers encompass a diverse range of professionals, paraprofessionals, and volunteer caregivers who are directly responsible for the care and education of young children from zero (0) to age four (4). These services are delivered through both center-based and home-

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based programs. The key providers in this sector include, but are not limited to: child development workers (formerly known as daycare workers), development teacher aides, rural health midwives, social workers, community health workers, barangay nutrition scholars, parent effectiveness service volunteers, and family day care providers.

SECTION V – *Compliance*. The ECCD system shall comply National Early Childhood Care Development Program to be implemented to the national standards as RA 10410 provides that:

System Framework and Components. The Early Childhood Care Development System shall ensure that the National Early Childhood Care Development Program is implemented in accordance with quality standards for accreditation and for this purpose, a National ECCD Monitoring and Evaluation Framework shall be established. The ECCD System shall include the following components:

- 1. *EECD Curriculum*. The curriculum shall focus on children's total development and take into account age, individual and socio-cultural appropriateness. It shall promote the delivery of complementary and integrative services for health, nutrition, early childhood education, sanitation and cultural activities. It shall use the child's first language as the medium of instruction;
- 2. Parent Education and Involvement, Advocacy and Mobilization of Communities. This component shall harness and develop parent's strengths as providers of ECCD programs at home, as active partners of other stakeholders, as advocates for community concerns that affect children, and as pillars of support for local and national ECCD programs through community organizations efforts;
- 3. Human Resource Development Program. The program shall establish mechanisms for the systematic professionalization of ECCD service providers through enrolment in educational program in site-based or distance education modes, through pre-service or in-service training including continuing education programs, whereby a registration and credential system shall be developed in the ECCD System; and
- 4. ECCD Management. This component shall consist of a continuing process of planning, implementation, supervision, financial management, monitoring, evaluation, reporting to persons concerned, and shall encourage the active involvement of and build the capabilities of service provider, parents and local government officials to sustain the program.

SECTION VI – *Implementing Mechanism.* The Municipal Government of Burauen, Leyte through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development shall adhere and actively implement the ECCD System in coordination with the Municipal ECCD Council.

- a) Responsibilities of the Municipal Government of Burauen. The Municipal Government of Burauen shall include allocations from the Gender and Development (GAD) Fund to be utilized for the following purposes:
- 1. Support the implementation of ECCD Program;
- 2. Organize and support parent cooperatives to establish community-based ECCD programs;
- 3. Provide counterpart funds for the continuing professional development of ECCD public service providers; and
- 4. Provide facilities for the conduct of ECCD Program.

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- b) Responsibilities of Families and Communities. Families and communities shall support the local ECCD programs by participating in various community-based projects such as, but not limited to, health, nutrition, social development and early childhood education projects for the overall development of their children from zero (0) to four (4) years.
- c) Responsibilities of the Barangays. The barangays concerned shall appropriate funds for the Child Development Workers' (CDWs) travelling expenses to attend meetings and various activities conducted by Municipal Government of Burauen or other relevant agencies, and during supplemental feeding implementation period.

SECTION VII – Creation of the Burauen ECCD Council. The ECCD Council is hereby created to support the implementation of the ECCD Program. The following shall compose the Council:

Chairperson:

Municipal Mayor

Vice-Chairperson:

Municipal Social Welfare and Development Officer

Members:

Municipal Health Officer Municipal Budget Officer

Municipal Planning and Development Coordinator Municipal Local Government Operations Officer

Municipal Legal Officer

SB Member, Chairman, Committee on Social Services,

Senior Citizens, Women, and Family Welfare

SB Member, Chairman, Committee on Education, Child

Protection and Welfare

Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

Schools District Supervisors Municipal Nutrition Action Officer

GAD Focal Person

Secretariat:

As designated by the Chairperson

SECTION VIII – *Conversion*. It is hereby mandated that there be a conversion of the existing Day Care Centers into Child Development Centers in compliance to R.A. 10410. Likewise, Day Care Workers are converted to Child Development Workers/Teachers that shall not be limited to their entitled existing compensation or benefits but shall also be entitled to the same or any additional that may be prescribed by law or ordinance subject to all existing legal, budgetary, accounting and auditing procedures.

SECTION IX – *Other Provisions*. All other sections and provisions of R.A. 10410 otherwise known as "Early Years Act (EYA) of 2013" applicable and necessary for the implementation of the National System for Early Childhood Care and Development is hereby adopted as an integral part of this ordinance.

SECTION X – Appropriation. It shall be the duty of the Municipal Government of Burauen to appropriate funds from its Annual or Supplemental Budget (GAD and LCPC) for the successful implementation of the ECCD programs as provided in Section VI (a), subject to all necessary legal, budgetary, accounting and auditing procedures. The municipal government through the Municipal Social Welfare and Development Office may also generate funds from inter-governmental donors and government financial institutions to support the public programs.

SECTION XI – *Repealing Clause.* All ordinances, resolutions, executive orders and all other issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed to be repealed or modified accordingly.

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SECTION XII – *Separability Clause*. If any of the provisions of this ordinance is declared invalid and unconstitutional, other parts or provisions hereof shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION XIII – *Effectivity*. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY, this 8th day of October 2024, in regular session assembled.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.

CHARITY C. BARBOSA

Board Secretary II
Acting Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

(absent)

HON. NOEL P. ALPINO

Vice-Mayor

HON. WINCENT G. ENERLAN

Sangguniang Bayan Member

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HON. HERMENIA C. CAMASIN Sangguniang Bayan Member

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Sangguniang Bayan Member

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SK Federation President/ Ex-Officio Member

Temporary Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

HON. JUANITO E. RENOMERON

Mayor



OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that Municipal Ordinance No. 24-24, of the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, entitled, "Ordinance Adapting the New Early Childhood Care and Development and Converting Day Care Services to Quality Early Childhood Care Development", was enacted on October 8, 2024, approved on even date, and has been posted in two (2) conspicuous and publicly accessible places of the municipality from October 10, 2024 to October 30, 2024, in compliance with Section 59, paragraph (b) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991".

Burauen, Leyte, November 11, 2024.



