



Republic of the Philippines  
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao  
**BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY PARLIAMENT**  
Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City



**THIRD REGULAR SESSION**

**BANGSAMORO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 71**

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Thursday, the 15th day of September 2022.

**AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 5 OF BANGSAMORO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 55, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE “ACT CREATING THE MUNICIPALITY OF SHEIK ABAS HAMZA IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO DEL NORTE, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”**

Be it enacted by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority Parliament assembled:

**SECTION 1.** Section 5 of the Bangsamoro Autonomy Act No. 55, known as the “*Act Creating the Municipality of Sheik Abas Hamza in the Province of Maguindanao del Norte, Providing Funds Therefor and for Other Purposes*”, is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**SECTION 5. Plebiscite Requirement.** – *The Municipality of Sheik Abas Hamza shall acquire corporate existence upon ratification of its creation by a majority of the votes cast by qualified voters in a plebiscite called for the purpose in the political units directly affected. The plebiscite shall be held within sixty (60) days after approval of the Act.*”

**SEC. 2. Separability Clause.** – If, for any cause, any part of this Act is declared unconstitutional or contrary to the provisions of Republic Act No. 11054 or the “*Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao*”, the rest of the provisions hereof which are not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

**SEC. 3. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, executive orders or regulations or any part thereof which may be contrary or inconsistent to this Act, except those that declare any part of this Act unconstitutional or contrary to the provisions of the Republic Act No. 11054, are hereby repealed, amended, modified, or altered accordingly.

**SEC. 4. Effectivity of the Law.** – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Bangsamoro Gazette or in one (1) newspaper of regional circulation.

  
**ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALIXDONG**  
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority Parliament on *Jumada Al-Akhirah* 11, 1446/December 12, 2024.



**PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL**  
Secretary-General

Approved:



**AHOD B. EBRAHIM**  
Chief Minister  
Date: DEC 20 2024

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