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COMELEC TO USE BSKE 2017 BALLOTS FOR BSKE 2018

The Commission on Elections is set to use the already printed October 23, 2017 official ballots, accountable and non-accountable forms for purposes of the May 14, 2018 Barangay and Sangguniang Kabataan (SK) Elections in an effort to save public funds and government resources.

Under Resolution No. 10248, voters in the National Capital Region (NCR), Luzon and Visayas Regions will be using the 59,578,346 official ballots which were printed from August 9, 2017 to September 30, 2017.

New and additional ballots, accountable and non-accountable forms will also be printed for those who registered from November 6, 2017 to November 30, 2017. There were 843,588 voter applicants but the Election Registration Boards (ERBs) are yet to verify, certify and seal the List of Voters on February 7, 2018. To avoid confusion, these new ballots will bear October 23, 2017 as the date of the elections.

However, the ballots, accountable and non-accountable forms that will be printed for the Mindanao Regions will bear May 14, 2018 as the date of the elections.

No official ballots and other forms were printed for the entirety of Mindanao following the postponement of the elections there, as per COMELEC resolution EM No. 17-003 promulgated on September 5, 2017.

The Omnibus Election Code does not prescribe the form and contents of the official ballots nor does it require that the date of the election be specified.

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