# Filipino-Style Party-List System

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## **Legal Bases**

1987 Constitution R.A. 7941 Party-List System Act **Comelec Resolutions** Case Law

## **German and Philippine Systems**

Features	German System	Philippine System
Parties	Any Party	Marginalized
Number	50% of Parliament	20% of House of Representatives
Formula	True Proportion	3-Seat Cap

## **Objective/Rationale**

Multi-Partism

**Party Loyalty** 

**Social Justice** 

Party Accountability

## **Legislative Body**

Only in House of Representatives

Not in Senate and Local Legislative Councils

## **Types of Representatives**

Features	District Representatives	Party-List Representatives
Candidate	Natural Person	Party or Organization
Personalities	Directly, Personalities	Indirectly, Personalities
Portion of House	80%	20%
Formula	Plurality	Proportional Representation
Nominee Qualifications	Natural-Born; 25 yo; Literate; 1 year residency; Registered in District	Same; except 25-30 if youth; registered anywhere

## **Number of Party-List Seats**

- 20% of House of Representatives
- All seats are "reserved" and must be filled up
- Formula: # of DRs/ 0.8 x 0.2
- So in 2016:

$$235/0.8 \times 0.2 = 58.75$$
 (58 or 59 seats)

## **Qualified Participants**

National Parties/ Organizations	<ul><li>need not be sectoral</li><li>geographical presence/ track record</li></ul>
Regional Parties/ Organizations	<ul> <li>need not be sectoral</li> <li>geographical presence/ track record</li> </ul>
Sectoral Parties/ Organizations	<ul> <li>principal advocacy</li> <li>no need to show track record</li> <li>represents 12 marginalized sectors</li> <li>list of 12 not exclusive</li> </ul>
Political Parties	<ul> <li>Register under system</li> <li>Not field district representatives</li> <li>If field district representatives,</li> <li>wwthrough sectoral wing</li> </ul>

## **Registration Requirements**

**CBL** 

**Platform** 

Officers

**Members** 

Track Record, if required

#### **Nominees**

- 1. Membership: Belong to accredited party or organization *and* 
  - a) Must belong to the sector (organic) or
  - b) Must have track record of sectoral advocacy (synthetic)
- 2. Nominees must consent in writing
- 3. Possess qualifications under the Constitution
- 4. Qualifications/ fitness determined by Party (internal matter unless nominee disqualified)
- 5. Submit List of 5 Nominees

#### **Nominees**

- Continuing requirement from appointment and during entire tenure (qualifications, party membership)
- 7. Nominated only in 1 Party
- Not losing candidate in 2013 elections (any position)
- 9. List in order of priority cannot be altered except when nominee:
  - a) Dies
  - b) Withdraws (party cannot unilaterally withdraw)
  - c) Incapacitated, then substituted by next in list

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#### **Procedure**

Delisting/ Cancellation

Registration Accreditation/ Manifestation Nomination Campaign Election Proclamation

Election Protests

## **Delisting/Cancellation**

- 1. Failed to participate in 2 preceding party-list elections
- 2. Failed to get 2% of votes under party-list in 2 preceding elections
- 3. Violation of laws/rules relating to election when violation is imputable to the party itself and not confined to an individual member (e.g. failure to submit list of nominees)
- 4. Made untruthful statements
- 5. Failed to Exist for 1 year
- 6. All nominees are disqualified

Note: Improper nomination (not ground)

## **Disqualified Parties**

Religious Sect

Advocates Violence

Adjunct of, Funded by Government Foreign or Foreign-Assisted Party

## **Statutory Thresholds**

2% of 2<sup>nd</sup> votes per seat

Maximum
3 seats
(only 1 party)

#### Procedure in Seat Allocation

- 1. Rank parties according to plurality
- 2. Determine 1<sup>st</sup> Party (most number of votes)
- 3. Calculate <u>percentage</u> per Party: # of votes of Party/ total # of 2<sup>nd</sup> votes
- 4. Parties that obtain at least 2% gets 1 guaranteed seat (1st round)
- 5. No rounding-off
- 6. For <u>additional seats</u> (2<sup>nd</sup> round), # of votes of that party/ # of votes of first party x number of seats of 1st party
- 7. Only 1<sup>st</sup> Party gets <u>3 seats</u>

## Results of the 2013 Party-List Elections

PARTY-LIST GROUP	GRAND TOTAL 28-May 1:52 AM	PERCENTAGE (%) OF VOTES GARNERED	Guaranteed Seat	Additional Seat (2nd round)	Total \$eats
BUHAY	1,265,992	4.74	1	2	3
A TEACHER	1,040,898	3.90	j- 1	1	.2
BAYAN MUNA	952,767	3.57	1	1	2
I-CARE	933,831	3.49	1 .	1	2
AKBAYAN	827,405	3.10	. 1	1	2
ABONO	767,645	2.87	- 1	1	2
AKB	763,103	2.86	1	1	2
OFW FAMILY	750,753	2.81	111111	1 .	· 2
GABRIELA	713,492	2.67	1	1 1	2
COOP-NATCCO	641,355	2.40	1	1 1	2
AGAP	592,069	2.22	1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	, 2
CIBAC	583,768	2.18	4 1	1 4	. 2
MAGDALO	565,883	2.12	1 1	/1	1 2
AN WARAY	540,906	2.02		1	. 2
ABAMIN	465,989	WW. ALBERTO	CAGRA COM	1,3,4	1

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ACT TEACHERS	453,491	1.70		1	
BUTIL	438,601	1.64		1	1
AMIN	376,932	1.41		1	1
ACT-CIS	376,175	1.41		11	1
KALINGA	371,610	1.39		1.	1
LPGMA	370,360	1.39		1	. 1
TUCP	368,883	1.38		1	1
YACAP	366,340	1.37		1	1
AGRI	365,516	1.37		1	1
ANGKLA	360,138	1.35		1	( :1
ABS	358,693	1.34		1	1
DIWA	341,443	1.28		1	<u> </u>
KABATAAN	340,573	1.27		1	1
ANAK PAWIS	321,110	1.20		1.	11
ALAY BUHAY	316,947	1.19		1	1
AAMBIS-OWA	311,725	1.17		1	• 1
1-SAGIP	287,060	1.07	1. 11	1	1
AVE	270,159	1.01		1	1
ATING KOOP	267,452	1.00	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1	1
1-BAP	245,237	0.92		1	1
ABAKADA	243,994	0.91		1	1
AMA	243,551	0.91		1	.1
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#### **Notes on 2013 Elections**

- 1. 1st Party, even if it did not get 6%, was given 3 seats
- 2. Only Parties which obtained at least 2% during the 1<sup>st</sup> round got 1 seat in 1 seat in 1<sup>st</sup> round and an additional seat in 2<sup>nd</sup> round
- 3. Even Parties which did not obtain 4% got 2 seats (1st seat in 1st round and 2nd seat in 2nd round)
- 4. The Party that got 1,040,898 votes got the same number of seats as that Party that obtained 540,906 votes despite 499,992 vote difference
- 5. Party which got 242,835, even if it did not 2% of 2<sup>nd</sup> votes (less than 1%), was given 1 seat

## **Dispute Resolution**

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1.	Registration	1.	Election Protest
2.	Accreditation	2.	Quo Warranto
3.	Delisting/ Cancellation		

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