Research Title Legal Measures regarding the efficiency Enhancement of

the Sub-District Community Organizations Council

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Abstract

The objective of this research was to analyze and present guidelines for the improvement of legal measures to enhance the efficiency of the Sub-district Community Organizations Councils. The research found that the emergence of the Sub-district Community Organizations Councils in various sub-districts and other administrative areas of Thailand has promoted public participation on local development in all groups of people. The participation includes local planning, problem reflection, and protection of community and individual rights as certified and protected by the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand. As a result, they have established a consolidated strength for solving problems among the local administration (Sub-district Administration Organization/ Municipality), local government (Sub-district chief/ Village Headman) and local community (Sub-district Community Organizations Council). These three organizations are not the hazard of the other one. However, the researchers found that there are some weak points in Sections 6, 7 (2), 21 (6), 22 Paragraph 2 and 29 of the Sub-district Community Organizations Council Act B.E. 2551 (A.D. 2008).

The researchers suggest that Sections 6, 7 (2), 21 (6), 22 Paragraph 2 and 29 of the Sub-district Community Organizations Council Act B.E. 2551 (A.D. 2008) should be amended and a new legislation entitled: "Resilient Community Act B.E....." should be enacted. The main principle of this new legislation is to set up a "Sub-district Development Centre" in each sub-district/ administrative area comprising all three local organizations: local administration, local government, and local community. This centre

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will be the "Central Forum" of the people and organizations in sub-district/ administrative area to participate significantly with the government agencies and local administrative organizations for developing and mobilizing public policies both in local

and national levels.

Key Words: Efficiency enhancement, Sub-District Community Organizations Council.