

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
HOUSE BILL NO. 578

Introduced by HON. ARNULFO P. FUENTEBELLA

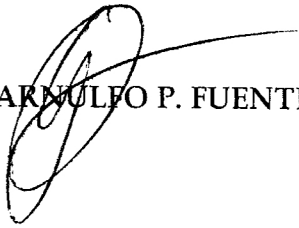
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of education is to provide an individual with knowledge, skills, competence and desirable qualities of behavior to render him fit for the duties of life.

Education is so important that it now has been enshrined in the Constitution mandating the state not only to make education accessible to all but to promote the right of all citizens to quality education. In pursuance of this explicit constitutional mandate, Congress passed Republic Act No. 6655 otherwise known as the Free Secondary Education Act.

This bill seeks to convert the Nato High School into the Nato National High School with the end in view of promoting quality education as envisioned by the Constitution, as the Municipality of Sagñay, Province of Camarines Sur, does not have sufficient funds to support the needs of the school and its students. Due to this situation, the school and its students are currently suffering from lack of facilities, materials and qualified faculty. There is an urgent need, therefore, to pass the burden to the national government if only to pursue the constitutional mandate of promoting the right of citizens to quality education.

In view of the foregoing reasons, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE NATO HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
SAGÑAY, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, INTO A NATIONAL HIGH
SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE NATO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

*Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines
in Congress Assembled:*

SECTION 1. The Nato High School in the Municipality of Sagñay, Province of Camarines Sur, is hereby converted into a national high school to be known as the Nato National High School.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Department of Education, Culture and Sports is hereby directed to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,