

Republic of the Philippines  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

HOUSE BILL NO. 579

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Introduced by HON. ARNULFO P. FUENTEBELLA

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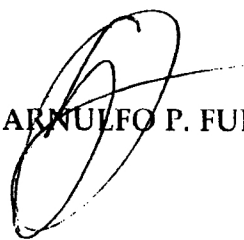
EXPLANATORY NOTE

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 Himanag High School into the Himanag National High School with the end in view of promoting quality education as envisioned by the Constitution as the Municipality of Lagonoy 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 HIMANAG HIGH SCHOOL IN THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF LAGONOY, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR  
INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE  
HIMANAG 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 Himanag High School in the Municipality of Lagonoy, Province of Camarines Sur is hereby converted in a national high school to be known as the Himanag 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.