

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

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HOUSE BILL NO. 887

Introduced by Hon. EILEEN ERMITA – BUHAIN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to establish a National High School in the Municipality of Calaca, Province of Batangas, to be known as the Calaca National High School.

The fundamental law of the land provides that the State shall give priority to education. This Constitutional mandate is in recognition of the vital role education play in nation-building. It is through education that our people are given access to employment and other opportunities. It is thus a mechanism for equalization and empowerment.

And because the Constitution has also mandated that the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building, and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being, the State must then prioritize the needs of the youth especially for education.

In the Municipality of Calaca, Province of Batangas, only one private high school operates to serve the secondary education needs of the youth. Considering that the number of students entering high school on a yearly basis, the need to establish a public secondary institution that will absorb the new entrants acquire a greater sense of urgency.

And with the present prohibitive cost of private education, attaining the constitutional mandate of providing education to the youth through the establishment of public national high schools becomes an imperative.

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

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" AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALACA, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CALACA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR"

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

Section 1. *Establishment of a National High School.* There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in the Municipality of Calaca, Province of Batangas, to be known as the Calaca National High School.

Sec. 2. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Calaca National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Sec. 3. *Implementation.* The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry our the purpose of this Act.

Sec.4. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,