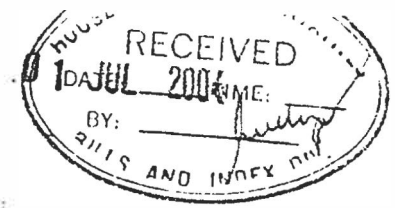


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HOUSE BILL NO. 1045

Introduced by Rep. Solomon R. Chungalao

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides "The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."

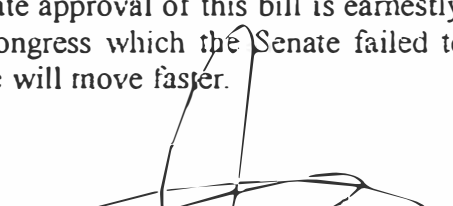
To give life to the spirit of the law, this bill seeks to separate the Haliap National High School Annex B in Barangay Camandag Municipality of Asipulo Province of Ifugao from its mother school the Haliap National High School in Barangay Haliap, Municipality of Asipulo Province of Ifugao and convert it into an independent national high school to be known as the **Camandag National High School**.

The Haliap National High School Annex is located at a very far distance of about 50 kilometers from its mother school. To get there, one has to hike for about nine hours or more as there are no available roads accessible by vehicle. This is the reason why the principal from the mother school cannot visit the said annex on a regular basis, creating a void in the administration of the school.

If converted into an independent national high school, the Camandag National High School will have the following feeder elementary schools, to wit: Camandag Elementary School, Cawayan Elementary School, Namal Elementary School, Numpaling Elementary School and Upper Dulli Elementary School all in the Municipality of Asipulo, Province of Ifugao. There will be enough student population because the students coming from these elementary schools will be convinced to continue their higher education as they will not be forced to enroll in more distant schools like the Asipulo National High School which is about 30 kilometers away and the mother school which is even farther. This will also ease the financial problems of parents in that area, majority of who earn their income through seasonal farming.

Aware of the importance of education, the officers and members of the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) are very determined and very cooperative in the development of the students and the school as in fact they voluntarily help not only in the physical beautification and maintenance of the school but also provide the security thereof. Even the barangay officials have funded one (1) classroom teacher by contributing from their meager monthly honorarium only to accommodate the increasing number of students who are all too willing to get education. Despite the limited resources of the Camandag National High School Annex, it continues to thrive and deliver quality education. The enthusiasm and interest of the people can be sustained by the presence of at least one national high school.

It is for the foregoing reasons that immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought. In fact, this is merely a refiled Bill from the last Congress which the Senate failed to act upon. Hence, it is hoped that this time, passage of the same will move faster.


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AN ACT

SEPARATING THE HALIAP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - ANNEX IN BARANGAY CAMANDAG, MUNICIPALITY OF ASIPULO, PROVINCE OF IFUGAO FROM HALIAP NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAMANDAG NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

Section 1. Separation and Conversion into a National High School. - The Haliap National High School - Annex in Barangay Camandag, Municipality of Asipulo, Province of Ifugao is hereby separated from the Haliap National High School in Barangay Haliap, Municipality of Asipulo, and converted it into a separate and independent national high school to be known as the Camandag National High School.

Section 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. - All assets, whether fixed or movable, records, personnel, obligations and appropriations of the Haliap National High School Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Camandag National High School; Provided that the positions, rights and security of tenure of the personnel employed therein under existing laws prior to separation from the mother school are not impaired.

Section 3. Appropriation. - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Camandag National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Haliap National High school Annex and thereafter in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 4. Implementation. - The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Section 5. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,