

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City



THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1075

Introduced by Honorable RUY ELIAS C. LOPEZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the establishment of the Emilio J. Estipona National High School in Barangay Manuel Guianga, Tugbok District, Davao City.

One of the government's primary aim is to promote the right of Filipinos to quality education as embodied in the 1987 Philippine Constitution, to wit:

"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." (Section 1, Article XIV, The Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, 1987)

Barangay Manuel Guianga is situated at the foot of Mt. Lipadas and is inhabited by the poor farmers and indigenous peoples which belong to the Bagobo tribe. The establishment of a public high school in Barangay Manuel Guianga will greatly reduce the cost of schooling by eliminating the need for these farmers to provide for board and lodging expenses to send their children to the nearest high school, which is several kilometers away. Moreover, parents could more closely supervise their children's education, not to mention the fact that, students would be able to avoid distractions and temptations prevalent in the urban areas. Going to high school right in their own barangay and near their families would also help influence and convince the students to lend their parents a hand in the cultivation of their farmlands.

With the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
IN BARANGAY MANUEL GUIANGA, TUGBOK DISTRICT, DAVAO CITY TO BE
KNOWN AS THE EMILIO J. ESTIPONA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay Manuel Guianga, Tugbok District, Davao City to be known as the Emilio J. Estipona National High School.

Section 2. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Emilio J. Estipona National High School.

Section 3. The Secretary of Education, Culture, and Sports shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

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

Approved,