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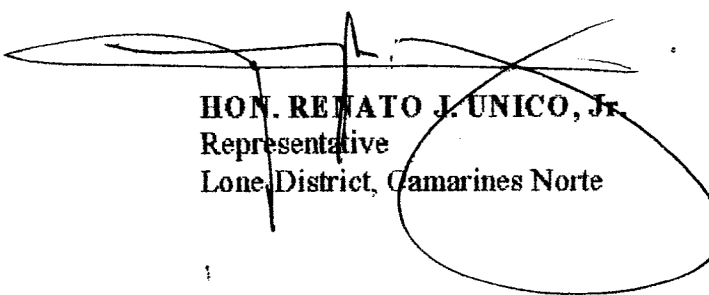
Introduced by **Representative Renato J. Unico, Jr.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a national high school in Barangay San Roque, Municipality of Mercedes, Province of Camarines Norte to be known as the Mercedes National High School.

Mercedes is one of the depressed municipality in the province of Camarines Norte, it cannot be denied that the heavier burdens of students in this part of the province is their daily expenses which includes transportation allowance and food, the students cannot sustain their daily expenses. By reason of distance to the nearest secondary school, many of the youth in the barangay and other nearby barangays find it very difficult to avail of secondary education. Also, the growing population of the existing Mercedes High School makes it imperative that it be established as the Mercedes National High School in order to give not only free but also quality and accessible secondary education to our youth.

In view of the Foregoing, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.



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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE MERCEDES HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY SAN ROQUE,
MUNICIPALITY OF MERCEDES, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE,
INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS
MERCEDES NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Conversion into a National High School.* The Mercedes High School in Barangay San Roque, Municipality of Mercedes, Province of Camarines Norte is hereby converted into a National High School to be known as the Mercedes National High School.

SEC. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All Personnel, assets, liabilities and records of Mercedes High School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Mercedes National High School.

SEC. 3. *Appropriation.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Departments program the operationalization of the Mercedes High School, the funding of which shall be included in annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. *Implementation.* The Secretary of the Department of Education, Culture and Sports shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Effectively.* This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED.