

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Constitution Hills, Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1322

Introduced by Honorable Corazon T. Nuñez-Malanyaon

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure is a refiled bill which was approved in the House and passed on second reading in the Senate during the 12th Congress.

The student population in Poblacion, Caraga has increased to such levels that the Caraga National High School – Main, can no longer accommodate the rising number of enrollment. The student population is remarkably high and increasing, thereby the clamor of the indigenous people is to have a separate personnel and education facilities to absorb the spillovers.

Caraga is predominantly rural and majority of the residents belong to the Mandaya tribe. People depend largely on agriculture and fishing as their major sources of income and livelihood. Because of their economic status, parents find it a primordial concern to send their children to school. They recognize the importance of good education but problems of accessibility to basic services and school facilities, transportation, poverty, are deterrent factors that greatly affect their pursuits for better education and a brighter future for their children.

This bill therefore seeks to provide access to education as a constitutional right, provide an environment that is conducive to learning, improve the standard of living of the indigenous people and finally reduce the illiteracy rate.

Thus, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

ORIGINAL SIGNED

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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE CARAGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL -ANNEX IN BARANGAY P.M.SOBRECAREY, MUNICIPALITY OF CARAGA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL, FROM THE CARAGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE PANTUYAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1.0 *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.* The Caraga National High School-Annex in Barangay P.M.Sobrecarey, Municipality of Caraga, Province of Davao Oriental, is hereby separated from the Caraga National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the Pantuyan National High School.

SEC. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Caraga National High School-Annex in Barangay P.M.Sobrecarey are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Pantuyan National High School.

SEC. 3. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Pantuyan National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

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

Approved.