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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. 1645



Introduced by **Representative Juan Miguel F. Zubiri**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill provides for the establishment of a Center for Teacher's Excellence in all legislative districts throughout the country whose primary function shall be to conduct a continuing program to upgrade the teaching skills and competence of all teachers under the Department of Education, Culture and Sports.

The decline in the quality of education in the country can be attributed to the fact that the government has been neglecting the plight of the teachers for so many years now.

These days, only a few of the newly graduates would want to enter the teaching profession. The once bright and promising career of the teachers has suddenly become a job that must be evaded. There is the low monthly pay, lack of security of tenure. Add to that is the few if not none at all chance for growth and improvement in the profession. The lack of training opportunities discourages potential teachers from joining the teaching profession.

The approval of this bill will definitely pave the way to the improvement of education in the Philippines especially in the elementary and secondary levels.

The approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A CENTER FOR TEACHER'S EXCELLENCE ALL
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Department of Education shall establish a Center for Teacher's Excellence in all the legislative districts throughout the country, hereinafter referred to as the Center. The Center for Teacher's Excellence shall develop and maintain a continuing program to upgrade the teaching competence and the skills of all the teachers under the Department of Education.

SECTION 2. The Department of Education, in coordination with the Commission on Higher Education shall, within ninety (90) days from the approval of this Act, take the necessary steps for the establishment, operation and maintenance of the Centers.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged to any fund in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Thereafter, such sum as are necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Centers shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,