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HOUSE BILL NO. 1686



Introduced by Rep. Nerissa Corazon Soon-Ruiz, M.D.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In the city of Mandaue, a barangay high school known as the Tipolo Barangay High School was established to cater to the educational needs of the students of the said barangay and its neighboring barangays of Guizo, Bakilid and Maguikay, the four of which having a combined voting population of more than 25,000.

Since its inception, it is observed that the growth of the school's student population is keeping pace with the increasing cost of education offered by private high schools. Hence, there is now a pressing need for the school to cope up with more faculty and staff, better facilities and instructional materials to maintain, if not improve, its level of teaching for the students' better advancement and excellence.

The resources of the said barangay high school are inadequate to meet its increasing needs especially that it is only an extension of the Mandaue City Comprehensive National High School. Its meager budget cannot even support its present population of a thousand students more so with the rapid increase of its student population.

Converting the school into a separate national high school distinct and independent from its mother school would certainly provide a regular source of funds every school year adequate and sufficient to meet its growing needs. Therefore, the necessary personnel complement and better facilities and supplies will be afforded to the school which would surely enhance its quality of instruction.

Section 2, Article XIV of the Constitution declares the State's policy and obligation to establish and maintain a free public education in the elementary and high school levels and the approval of this measure will not only give meaning and spirit to this constitutional provision but will also bring about development at the grassroots level.

In view of these premises, therefore, the early approval of this measure is earnestly sought and recommended.

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AN ACT SEPARATING THE TIPOLO BARANGAY HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TIPOLO, MANDAUE CITY, CEBU FROM MANDAUE CITY COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL (MCCNHS), CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE TIPOLO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. *Separation and Conversion Into a National High School.* – The Tipolo Barangay High School in Barangay Tipolo, Mandaue City, Cebu is hereby separated from Mandaue City Comprehensive National High School in the same city and province, and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the Tipolo National High School.

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Mandaue City Comprehensive National High School pertaining to the Tipolo Barangay High School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Tipolo National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Tipolo National High School, the funding of which shall be included 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 the Act.

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

Approved.