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EXPLANATORY NOTE

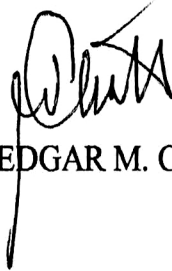
Section 2, Article XIV of the Constitution mandates the State, among others to:

(1) Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society;

Presently, however, the schools in Tagbilaran City are part of the huge division of schools in the Province of Bohol. Considering the increasing number of students and teachers in both the primary and secondary public schools in the city, this set-up has become a hindrance in overseeing this growing population and has adversely affected the effective delivery of their basic educational needs.

This bill seeks to amend R.A. NO. 4660 otherwise known as the "Charter of the City of Tagbilaran" in order to address this issue.

During the 12th Congress, this bill was referred to the House Joint Committees on Local Government and Appropriations. But due to time constraints, this bill was never taken up again. This bill is re-filed for the consideration of this Congress.


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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION IN TAGBILARAN CITY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE, SECTION 95 OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 4660 ENTITLED: *AN ACT CREATING THE CITY OF TAGBILARAN*

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

SECTION 1. Section 95, Article XIV of R.A. NO. 4660, otherwise known as the "Charter of the City of Tagbilaran", is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 95. [*The Bureau of Public Schools*] **THE CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION.** – [The Director of Public Schools shall exercise the same jurisdiction and powers in the city as elsewhere in the Philippines and the division Superintendent of Schools for the Province of Bohol shall have all the powers and duties with respect to the schools in the city as are vested in division superintendents, with respect to the schools of their divisions. The City Board shall have the same powers with respect to the establishment of schools as are conferred by law or municipal councils.] (A) THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHALL ESTABLISH AND MAINTAIN A SCHOOLS DIVISION OF THE CITY OF TAGBILARAN, WHOSE AREA OF JURISDICTION WILL COVER ALL THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY; AND (B) THE CITY SCHOOLS DIVISION SHALL BE HEADED BY A DIVISION SUPERINTENDENT WHO MUST POSSESS THE NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 3. All laws, orders issuances, rules and regulations or part thereof, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,