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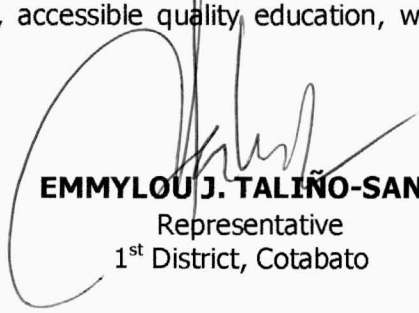


Introduced by Rep. Emmylou J. Taliño-Santos

The Constitution mandates the protection and promotion of the right of all citizens to accessible quality education at all levels. To this end, the State is enjoined to establish and maintain a system of free public education in the elementary and high school levels.

Lumayong, Barangay Kayaga, Kabacan, Cotabato is about 20 kilometers from Poblacion, Kabacan. Within a radius of eight (8) kilometers, there are eight (8) existing elementary schools. The nearest high school is approximately twenty-two kilometers. The expense of transportation just to attend high school has forced many students from the said barangay and adjacent areas to stop schooling or not to enroll at all. Through the efforts of leaders, organizations and members of the community, the Kabacan High School Lumayong Annex was established thru Division Memorandum dated May 17, 2000 leading to the opening classes on June 5, 2000 with seventy-two freshmen students. For the school year 2003-2004, the enrolment has been projected to rise from 240 to 400 with the completion of all year levels. This increase is traceable to the accessibility of the high school to more students from the feeder elementary schools. Under the present set-up, the Kabacan High School Lumayong Annex is dependent on its mother school for its financial requirements and administrative support. This dependence does not favor the increasing demand by the students, parents and barangay officials for an independent high school as it affects delivery of quality high school education. This conversion will also be beneficial to the school authorities and teachers who will administer the Annex with autonomy. This is to prove the government's thrust in giving education its desired priority.

The approval of this bill is earnestly sought in order that the problem of illiteracy on account of lack of a school, not to mention, accessible quality education, will be addressed even in a small measure.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE KABACAN HIGH SCHOOL LUMAYONG ANNEX IN
LUMAYONG, BARANGAY KAYAGA, KABACAN, PROVINCE OF
COTABATO INTO A SEPARATE HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE
LUMAYONG HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE

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

SECTION 1. The Kabacan High School Lumayong Annex located in Lumayong, Barangay Kayaga, Kabacan, Province of Cotabato, is hereby converted into a separate high school to be known as the Lumayong High School.

SECTION 2. All personnel, records, assets and properties, such as building sites and improvements thereof, obligations and liabilities, funds and appropriations of the Kabacan High School Lumayong Annex are hereby transferred to the Lumayong High School.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Department of Education shall promulgate and issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 4. The amount necessary to carry out the implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Kabacan High School Lumayong Annex. Thereafter, the appropriations necessary for the operation and maintenance of the Lumayong High School shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved, _____.