

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

Thirteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 2239

Introduced by Honorable Tomas M. Dumpit

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish the Sto. Tomas High School National High School within the New Town Site in Barangay Patac, Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Province of La Union.

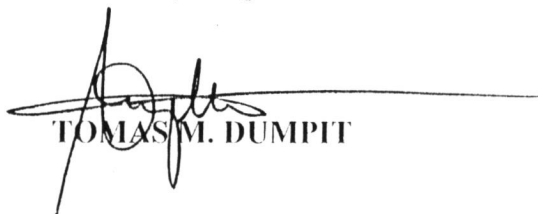
There are at present only two high schools in the municipality - the Bail Barangay High School, located at the extreme east portion of the municipality and the Damortis National High School located at the southernmost portion of the municipality. There is none in the center portion of the town.

The student population continues to suffer the lack of secondary schools. Students are left with no option but to enroll on either of these two high schools or to enroll at Agoon, the adjacent town, incurring added financial burden especially with the escalating transportation fees.

There is a dire need to construct a public high school for the municipality in order to meet the pressing demand of the poor constituents who need the benefits and services of secondary education.

The Constitution mandates the protection and promotion of the welfare of the youth as it recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building. The Government must therefore execute necessary means to make education available to all especially to the underprivileged members of our society in the rural areas.

Hence, the early passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY PATAAC,
MUNICIPALITY OF STO. TOMAS, PROVINCE OF LA UNION, TO BE
KNOWN AS THE STO. TOMAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a National High School in Barangay Patac, Municipality of Sto. Tomas, Province of La Union to be known as the Sto. Tomas National High School.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Education is hereby authorized to issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be charged against the current year's lump sum appropriation intended for the establishment of newly-legislated schools. Thereafter, the amount needed for its operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,