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HOUSE BILL No. 2524

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is an undeniable fact that education is a ticket out of poverty and an improved station in life. For which reason, the Constitution is replete with provisions specifically giving highest priority to education. In fact, under Article XIV, Section Sec. 3 (5), the Constitution explicitly provides that *"The State shall assign the highest budgetary priority to education and ensure that teaching will attract and retain its rightful share of the best and available talents through adequate remuneration and other means of job satisfaction and fulfillment."*

The aforequoted provision clearly indicates that teachers are treated with some degree of importance considering the vital role it played in nation-building being the recognized mentors of the fair hope of the fatherland. Needless to state that the teachers are the most overworked yet underpaid public servants in the country today.

It is in this light that this measure seeks to upgrade the salary grade level assigned to Teacher I position from Salary Grade 10 to Salary Grade 18 as provided under the Benchmark Position Schedule for Salary Grade Assignments for Other Positions under Republic Act No. 6758 as amended, otherwise known as the Salary Standardization Law.

It is also important to note that the very alarming political and economic difficulties prevailing in our midst had continuously brought the peso down, which now breached the P56.00 level against the US dollar, and this has certainly wiped out whatever salary increases granted by the government to teachers in the past.

In view of the foregoing reasons, the approval of this important legislative measure is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
TO UPGRADE THE SALARY GRADE LEVEL OF TEACHER I POSITION
FROM SALARY GRADE 10 TO SALARY GRADE 18, AMENDING FOR THE
PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 6758, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN
AS THE SALARY STANDARDIZATION LAW AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Salary Grade of Teacher I Position under Section 9 of Republic Act No. 6758 otherwise known as the Salary Standardization Law, as amended, is hereby upgraded from Salary Grade 10 to Salary Grade 18.

SEC. 2. The Department of Budget and Management shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provision of this Act.

SEC. 3. All laws, executive orders, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,