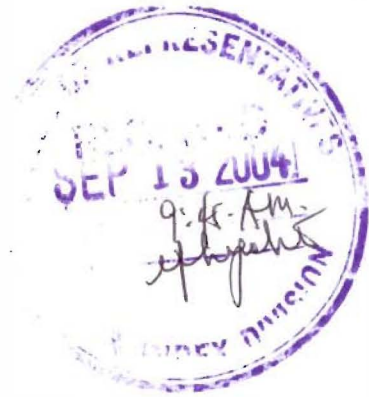


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide that the academic curricula for all schools, colleges and universities shall be established by law.

The Constitution mandates the State to establish, maintain and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society. In line with this mandate, this measure is being proposed.

Under the present system, academic curricula for schools, colleges and universities are established by the Department of Education. However, considering that the Secretary of Education is appointed by the President, and subject to be changed any at the pleasure of the appointing power, the academic curricula has been susceptible to changes depending on the reflection of the incumbent Education Secretary. Thus, our educational system maybe reflective of the intellect, emotion and/or the totality of the personality of the Education Secretary. It is no wonder that the Filipino student's thinking, habit and mores can be or influenced by the thinking of the current Secretary of Education.

On the other hand, if education curricula are provided by law, Congress shall approve the same only after proper public hearings. Furthermore, Congress is composed of representatives from a broad cross-section of the Filipino people, hence, our educational system maybe assured of a meaningful direction.

Approval of the bill is strongly recommended.


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

SECTION 1. Any provision of existing law to the contrary notwithstanding, the academic curricula for all schools, colleges and universities shall be established by law.

SECTION 2. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,