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EXPLANATORY NOTE

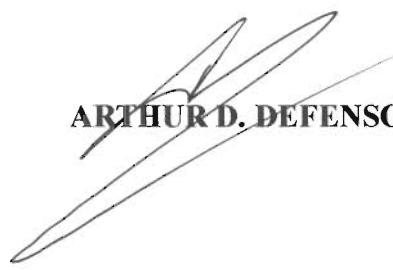
Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides that "The state shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."

In keeping with this state policy, this bill seeks to convert the Lambunao National High School Annex in Barangay Jayubo, Municipality of Lambunao, Province of Iloilo into a separate national high school to be known as the Jayubo National High School.

The Lambunao National High School Annex, as its name alone suggests, is administratively and financially dependent on the Lambunao National High School. While this arrangement appeared at first to be convenient to all concerned, it had become disadvantageous and unfair to the residents of barangay Jayubo because of subsequent events and conditions, particularly the increase in the number of enrollees. In fact, improvements have been made on the parcels of land which the annex occupies, such as school buildings and other facilities. And taking into consideration the guidelines of DECS Order No. 84, Series of 1996, the Lambunao National High School Annex readily meets the minimum requirements for the establishment of a new high school.

Its conversion into a separate and independent high school is not simply a case of technicality; it is a matter of administrative feasibility and convenience, where the needs of the students in barangay Jayubo and the nearby communities may be brought into better focus.

Hence, the approval of the bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAMBUNAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX IN BARANGAY JAYUBO, MUNICIPALITY OF LAMBUNAO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE JAYUBO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, SETTING ASIDE CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND LOCATED IN THE CAMPUS OF THE WEST VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY INCLUDING THE EXISTING BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES THEREON AS SCHOOL SITE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Lambunao National High School Annex in Barangay Jayubo, Municipality of Lambunao, Province of Iloilo, is hereby separated from the main Lambunao National High School in the same municipality and shall operate as an independent high school to be known as the Jayubo National High School.

SEC. 2. The Jayubo National High School shall be headed by a principal to be appointed by the Secretary of Education. The incumbent teacher-in-charge shall continue to act as such until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified.

SEC. 3. The President and/or Board of Trustees of the West Visayas State University - College of Agriculture and Forestry (WVSU-CAF) is hereby directed to set aside One hundred fifty (150) hectares of land located within the WVSU-CAF campus including the existing buildings and facilities thereon for the site of the Jayubo National High School.

For this purpose, a joint body is hereby created composed of representatives from the municipal government of the Municipality of Lambunao and representatives of the WVSU-CAF to determine the parameters of the land to be set aside and reserved for school site purposes of the Jayubo National High School; Provided, that the metes and

bounds of such parcel or parcels of land shall be embodied in a joint memorandum entered into by the Municipality of Lambunao and the West Visayas State University; Provided, further, That the metes and bounds and the terms and conditions of the joint memorandum are hereby incorporated by way of reference and made integral part of this Act.

SEC. 4. All the assets, fixed and movable, personnel and records of the Lambunao National High School Annex are hereby transferred to Jayubo National High School: Provided, that the positions, rights and security of tenure of personnel employed under existing laws prior to the separation from the mother school shall not be impaired.

SEC. 5. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, proclamation orders, rules and regulations contrary to the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,