

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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House Bill No. 5000



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**Introduced by REP. BENJAMIN DC. ABALOS, JR.**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Education must be made accessible to all. Our 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". Further, the State shall establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

Enrolment trend in public secondary schools from SY 2002-2003 to 2004-2005 shows an average of eighty percent (80%) of the total enrolment both in public and private secondary schools. For SY 2004-2005, enrolment in public secondary schools reached to 5,043,776 students as compared to 1,268,255 students who enrolled in private secondary schools.

This overall plight in our secondary schools is shared in the local level particularly in the First District of Mandaluyong City.

This proposed measure seeks to convert the Highway Hills Elementary School in the City of Mandaluyong into an Integrated School to be known as the Highway Hills Integrated School to provide remedy to the over populated enrollment of the existing public high school and its inadequacy to accommodate additional students.

In the interest and welfare of our youth in Mandaluyong City who belong to indigent families and who desires for a quality and accessible education, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**CONVERTING THE HIGHWAY HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF**  
**MANDALUYONG INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE**  
**HIGHWAY HILLS INTEGRATED SCHOOL, APPROPRIATING FUND THEREFOR,**  
**AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

**Sec. 1.** The Highway Hills Elementary School in the City of Mandaluyong is hereby converted into an Integrated School to be known as the Highway Hills Integrated School.

**Sec. 2.** The Department of Education shall prescribe the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulation to carry out the purpose of this Act.

**Sec. 3.** The amount necessary to implement the provisions of this Act shall be taken from the current year's appropriations of the Highway Hills Elementary School, City of Mandaluyong.

Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for the operations and maintenance of the Highway Hills Integrated School shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law.

**Sec. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation. The publication shall not be later than seven (7) days after approval hereof.

*Approved,*