

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. 5299



Introduced by **Honorable Simeon L. Kintanar**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is the dream of every Filipino family to see their children graduate, if not college, at least a secondary education. It is also a major thrust of the present administration to provide quality education to all children of school age specially those living in the rural communities. Likewise, the Philippine Constitution mandates that Filipino children shall not be deprived of the free elementary and secondary education.

The children of Barangay Apo in Argao and its adjacent upland communities of Bai, Cantolaroy, Masa, Anahaw, Tulang and Mompeller which numbers about one thousand five hundred (1,500) have no High School to go except the High Schools located in far away barangays of Colawin, Argao; Langin, Ronda; and Papan, Sibonga.

This bill therefore seeks to establish a national high school in Barangay Apo, Municipality of Argao, Province of Cebu to be known as the Apo National High School and to be located in a lot donated by the people of Apo, in response to a felt need of people in the upland communities of Argao.

In view of the foregoing considerations, the approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY APO, MUNICIPALITY OF ARGAO, PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE KNOWN AS THE APO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. *Establishment of National High School.* There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay Apo, Municipality of Argao, Province of Cebu, to be known as the Apo National High School.

SEC. 2. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of Apo National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. *Implementation.* The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved,