

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. 5302



Introduced by: **Hon. Alan Peter S. Cayetano**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert Taguig Elementary School in Sta. Ana, Taguig into an integrated school to be known as Taguig National Integrated School.

The Constitution mandates that the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development. Likewise, the State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well - being.

Education is the great social equalizer. Providing those who have less in life with quality education opens up opportunities or stepping stone to a better life. Education is the gift that we can give our youth. The quality of education that we will give our youth today will determine their future and the future of this country. Therefore, it is incumbent upon us to pool our resources to uplift the quality of education not only in terms of the substance or courses being offered in the schools but also by upgrading and improving the environment in which it is offered.

At present, there are only two (2) fully operational public high schools existing in District 1 of Taguig (covering 12 barangays) that cater to almost all of the elementary graduates from the nine (9) public elementary schools therein, with a population of almost 20,000 students. The Tipas National High School is only capable of accommodating 1,386 high school students, while Gen. Ricardo Papa Memorial High School has 3, 379 high school students. These national high schools are not enough to accommodate the increasing number of elementary school students of District 1 of Taguig. Without an additional high school, many students will be forced to study in high schools of neighboring cities. Having to go to high schools in neighboring cities does not only make education more expensive, it also exposes students to peace and order problems. While 2 more highschoools are also operating (Bagumbayan National Highschool and the Renato Cayetano Science and Technology Highschool), lack of buildings and facilities prevent the highschoools from accommodating all that want to enroll.

Hence, in keeping with the thrust of our government in providing free and quality education to our youth, it is imperative that Taguig Elementary School be

converted into Taguig National Integrated School to conform to the thrust of the government of giving our students adequate venue for learning.

Moreover, Art. XIV, Section 1 of the 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."

The Philippine Constitution guarantees quality education to all, this can be achieved in the District of Taguig if additional high schools are established, or at the very least, existing elementary schools are integrated into high schools.

In light of the above, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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**AN ACT CONVERTING TAGUIG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
IN STA. ANA TAGUIG INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL
TO BE KNOWN AS TAGUIG NATIONAL INTEGRATED SCHOOL
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The Taguig Elementary School in Sta. Ana, Taguig is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as the Taguig National Integrated School.

SECTION 2. The Department of Education shall prescribe the necessary rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Department of Education shall immediately include in its program the operationalization of the Taguig Integrated School and thereafter in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,