

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

Thirteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 5473

Introduced by Honorable FRANCIS G. ESCUDERO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish an integrated public school in Barangay Rizal, Sorsogon City, Province of Sorsogon, to be known as the Rizal Integrated Public School.

Enshrined in the Constitution is a policy which mandates 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. (*Section 1, Article XIV, 1987 Constitution*)

Quality Education is a right of all citizens. In promoting this right, the barangay officials and officers of the Rizal Elementary School and Rizal National High School of Barangay Rizal, Sorsogon City, passed a joint resolution calling for the establishment of an integrated public school. An integrated public school will accommodate as many students as possible every school year which will include evening classes for out-of-school youth. The integration will also greatly help the parents to minimize their expenses because students can attend classes at a relatively nearer location where their safety and security are assured.

Thus, the integration of the Rizal Elementary School and the Rizal National High School will provide quality, affordable and accessible education to the studentry of the Barangay Rizal. As a consequence, it will also promote and enhance the development of the Province of Sorsogon.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is strongly recommended.

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN INTEGRATED PUBLIC SCHOOL AT
BARANGAY RIZAL, SORSOGON CITY, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON TO
BE KNOWN AS THE RIZAL INTEGRATED PUBLIC SCHOOL AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established Integrated High School at the
Barangay Rizal, Sorsogon City, Province of Sorsogon, to be known as the Rizal
Integrated Public School.

SEC. 2. The Department of Education shall issue the necessary rules
and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 3. The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act
shall be charged to the appropriations for the Department of Education under the
current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for
the continued operation and maintenance of the Rizal Integrated Public School shall
be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4 This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at
least two (2) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,