

**Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City**



**Thirteenth Congress
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House Bill No. 5922

Introduced by Honorable Ace S. Barbers

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert Matin-ao National High School at Matin-ao, Municipality of Mainit, Province of Surigo del Norte into Matin-ao National School of Home Industries.

Matin-ao National High School has been existing for more than fifty-years since its establishment in 1946. It is one of the biggest and most populous schools in the district catering for more than a thousand students each year. Since MNHS has been known for its satisfactory performance in educating the youth, residents of Mainit believe that it could well perform its duty to the community when converted into school of home industries.

Statistics shows that 50% of the graduates of MNHS could not afford to pursue college due to poverty. This significant number of graduates could have been an asset to their respective families and communities if they were equipped of proper motivation, training and technical know-how in some livelihood projects or home industries aside from the standard academic requirements. Through a balanced and improved curriculum, it is perceived that secondary students will be more prepared for college while those who cannot pursue further education could go on working with the benefit of their acquired manpower training and skills in different fields such as electricity, electronics, auto mechanics, welding, cosmetology, dress-making and many others. Thus, making every youth productive and useful to the community.

The conversion of MNHS into school of home industries is one of the realizations of the Social Reform Agenda which aims to provide relevant, accessible, quality technical education and skills development that will develop high quality middle-level manpower responsive to and accordance with the country's development goals and priorities. The change of status of MNHS will be beneficial to the whole community in terms of employment, economy, competitiveness and utilization of resources.

Passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

HON. ACE S. BARBERS

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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE MATIN-AO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN MATIN-AO,
MUNICIPALITY OF MAINIT, PROVINCE OF SURIGO DEL NORTE INTO
MATIN-AO NATIONAL SCHOOL OF HOME INDUSTRIES, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF

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

SECTION 1. The Matin-ao National High School in Matin-ao, Municipality of Mainit, Province of Surigao del Norte, is converted into Matin-ao National School of Home Industries.

SECTION 2. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall promulgate the rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act in time for the opening of the next school year following its approval.

SECTION 3. The sum needed for the implementation of this Act and for the school shall be charged to the operations of the Department of Education for the current General Appropriations Act, *Provided*, that the local government shall continue to provide its share in the operation and maintenance cost of the said school, *Provided further*, that starting with the calendar year after its implementation, such sum as may be necessary for its operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED.