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EXPLANATORY NOTE

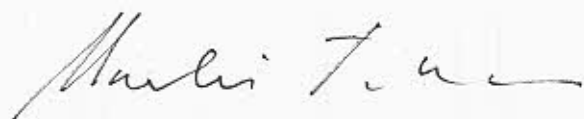
This measure proposes to expand the duties and responsibilities of School District Supervisors, to include the following:

1. Provide professional and instructional advice and support to the school heads and teachers/facilitators of schools and learning centers in the district or cluster;
2. Support the implementation of the curriculum and other academic-related programs prescribed by the Department;
3. Provide technical assistance to school heads to support compliance to various administrative responsibilities;
4. Monitor the formulation of school improvement plans and consolidate funding requirements of programs and projects to be presented to the municipal school board; and
5. Undertake advocacy work directed at encouraging Local Government Units (LGUs) and Non- Government Units (NGOs) to implement Alternative Learning System (ALS) and Alternative Delivery Mode (ADM), Adopt-A-School, Library Hub and other programs that seek private participation and support.

Through the bill we can strengthen the role of the Schools District Supervisor as Head of the Schools District by proposing that the position be considered as a separate level in the organizational structure of the Department of Education (DepED), and not as a staff of another unit or level.

Indeed, assigning to District Supervisors the administrative and supervisory line functions necessary to effectively execute programs and projects of the office would greatly help achieve our goal of having quality education for Filipino students.

Premises considered, approval of this measure is urgently sought.



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AN ACT
STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISOR AS HEAD OF
THE SCHOOLS DISTRICT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9155,
OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GOVERNANCE OF BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2001"

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 9155, otherwise known as the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001", is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – x x x

"Governance of basic education shall begin at the national level. It is at the regions, divisions, **DISTRICTS**, schools and learning centers – herein referred to as the field offices – where the policy and principle for the governance of basic education shall be translated into programs, projects and services developed, adapted and offered to fit local needs.

"x x x."

SEC. 2. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. *Purposes and Objectives.* – The purposes and objectives of this Act are:

"x x x

"(b) To define the roles, [and] responsibilities **AND ACCOUNTABILITIES** of, and provide resources to, the field offices which shall implement educational programs, projects and services in communities they serve;

"x x x."

SEC. 3. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 4. *Definition of Terms.* – x x x

"(c) *Cluster of Schools* - is a group of schools **IN A DISTRICT** which are geographically contiguous and brought together to improve the learning outcomes;

"x x x."

SEC. 4. Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 5. *Principles of Shared Governance.* – x x x

"x x x

"(b) The process of democratic consultation shall be observed in the decision-making

process at appropriate levels. Feedback mechanisms shall be established to ensure coordination and open communication of the central office with the regional, division, **DISTRICT** and school levels;

"X X X."

SEC. 5. Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. *Powers, Duties and Functions.* – x x x

"X X X

"D. Schools District Level

"SCHOOLS DISTRICT SHALL CONSIST OF DIFFERENT SCHOOLS LOCATED IN A MUNICIPALITY OR CITY, WHICH SHALL HAVE A SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISOR AND AN OFFICE STAFF FOR PROGRAM PROMOTION.

"Upon the recommendation of the schools division superintendents, the regional director may establish additional schools district within a schools division. Schools districts already existing at the time of the passage of this law shall be maintained.

[A schools district shall have a schools district supervisor and an office staff for program promotion.]

"The schools district supervisor shall [be responsible for]:

"(1) [Providing] **PROVIDE** professional and instructional advice and support to the school heads and teachers/facilitators of schools and learning centers in the district or cluster thereof;

"(2) [Curricula supervision; and] **SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CURRICULUM AND OTHER ACADEMICRELATED PROGRAMS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT;**

"(3) **PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL HEADS TO SUPPORT COMPLIANCE TO VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES;**

"(4) **MONITOR THE FORMULATION OF SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND CONSOLIDATE FUNDING REQUIREMENTS OF PRORGAMS AND PROJECTS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD;**

"(5) **UNDERTAKE ADVOCACY WORK DIRECTED AT ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) AND NONGOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs) TO IMPLEMENT ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) AND ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY MODE (ADM), ADOPT-A-SCHOOL, LIBRARY HUB AND OTHER PROGRAMS THAT SEEK PRIVATE PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT; AND**

"[(3)] (6) Perform[ing] such other functions as may be assigned by proper authorities.

SEC. 6. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.* – All executive orders, laws and department orders and parts thereof contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 8. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,