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HOUSE BILL 6472



Introduced by REP. ELEANOR C. BULUT-BEGTANG

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Quality and accessible education is a cornerstone in the development of a productive, effective and skilled human resource. Such is paramount to the attainment of genuine development especially for newly-created and developing provinces such as the Province of Apayao.

With the end goal of improving access to quality basic education for the growing population of Apayao, the provincial leadership has been exerting aggressive efforts towards the establishment of learning institutions in strategic communities in the different municipalities.

In line with such efforts is what this bill seeks---the conversion of the **Sta. Marcela National High School-Consuelo Annex** at Brgy. Consuelo, Municipality of Sta. Marcela, Province of Apayao into an independent national high school. The SMNHS-Consuelo Annex was established as an extension school of the Sta. Marcela National High School at Brgy. San Carlos in SY 2009-2010 with an initial enrollment of twenty one (21) first year students. Now on its 3rd year of operation and an enrollment of seventy nine (79) students, the annex school has given better access and opportunity for secondary education to the elementary graduates from barangay Consuelo and San Juan, the remotest barangays of Sta. Marcela.

With the conversion of SMNHS-Consuelo Annex into an independent national high school, it is ensured that the institution is able to undertake improvements and programs responsive to the specific needs of its studentry.

In consideration of the above, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

SEPARATING THE STA. MARCELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-CONSUELO ANNEX AT BARANGAY CONSUELO, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARCELA, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE STA. MARCELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CONSUELO 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. Separation and Conversion into a National High School. The Sta. Marcela National High School-Consuelo Annex at Brgy. Consuelo, Municipality of Sta. Marcela, Province of Apayao is hereby separated from the Sta. Marcela National High School-Main and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Consuelo National High School.

Section 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of Sta. Marcela National High School-Consuelo Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by Consuelo National High School.

Section 3. Appropriations. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Consuelo National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Sta. Marcela National High School-Consuelo Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 4. Implementation. The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Section 5. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved,