

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 6652



Introduced by HONORABLE ROBERTO V. PUNO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a national science and technology high school in the City of Antipolo, Province of Rizal to be known as Antipolo City National Science and Technology High School.

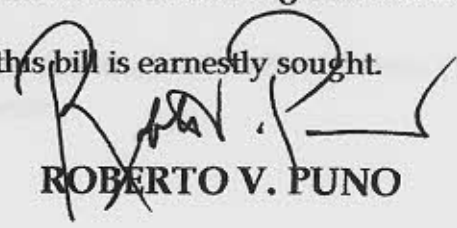
Antipolo City for school year 2012 – 2013, has a total of 43,763 enrollees in the secondary level enrolled at the 20 public high schools within the city. With the increasing population of the newly graduates from the primary level in Antipolo City each year, along with the pressing problem of poverty in the society, majority of these students are not able to pursue and accomplish even a secondary level of education.

Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution mandates the State to 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. Article XIV, Section I of the Constitution likewise mandate that the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens of quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such accessible to all.

It is therefore a right of the Antipoleños to have an accessible institution for the gifted students in the fields of Science, Technology, Mathematics and English. This venue will enhance the student's technical and academic skills and ultimately, provide them vast opportunities in the future.

Finally, the proposed measure will respond to the urgent need of the constituents of the City of Antipolo for a national science and technology high school that will further develop and provide them with quality, affordable education specifically in the field of science and technology enabling them to become competitive, economically productive and self-sustaining individuals.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL IN THE CITY OF ANTIPOLO, PROVINCE OF RIZAL TO BE KNOWN AS ANTIPOLO CITY NATIONAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Establishment of a National Science and Technology High School.* – There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national science and technology high school in the City of Antipolo, Province of Rizal to be known as Antipolo City National Science and Technology High School.

SECTION 2. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of Antipolo City National Science and Technology High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. *Implementation.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SECTION 4. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved,