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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1123



Introduced by Hon. Jerry P. Treñas

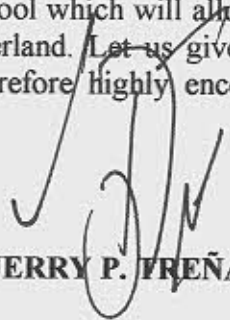
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The State is mandated by the Constitution to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make education accessible to all. Consistent with the Constitution, this legislative measure aims to convert the present Bakhaw Elementary School in Barangay Bakhaw, Mandurriao, Iloilo City into an integrated school in order to provide quality education to the numerous children in Barangay Bakhaw and its neighboring barangays.

Barangay Bakhaw is one of the largest barangays in Iloilo City's Mandurriao District. It has a population of 7,178, with 1,418 households. The barangay has a huge population of students aged 10-19. These students are in need of an accessible high school within their community in order to lessen and eventually eliminate the growing number of the out-of-school youths in the barangay.

Education is the key to unlock a bright future for our children. In turn, a highly educated citizenry will hasten the development of our country and bring glory to our great nation. In his poem "*Education Gives Luster to the Motherland*", Dr. Jose P. Rizal's eloquent words described education as the catalyst which "puts the Country in the lofty seat of endless glory and dazzling glow." Our national hero believed that quality education is absolutely necessary to build a strong and proud country. The framers of our Constitution echoed Rizal's sentiments by making it a State policy to prioritize education. As lawmakers, we must enact legislations which advance the quality of education in our country.

The young students of Barangay Bakhaw deserve an integrated school which will allow them to develop their skills and to, eventually, bring honor to our Motherland. Let us give them the opportunity to become productive citizens of our country. I therefore highly encourage the approval of this bill.


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**AN ACT CONVERTING THE BAKHAW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY
BAKHAW, DISTRICT OF MANDURRIAO, ILOILO CITY INTO AN INTEGRATED
SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE BAKHAW INTEGRATED SCHOOL**

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2 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines duly assembled:*

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4 *Section 1. Conversion into an Integrated School.* – The Bakhaw Elementary School in Barangay
5 Bakhaw, District of Mandurriao, Iloilo City is hereby converted into an integrated school to be
6 known as Bakhaw Integrated School.

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8 *Section 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the
9 Bakhaw Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Bakhaw Integrated
10 School.

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12 *Section 3. Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the
13 Department's program the operationalization of the Bakhaw Elementary School, the funding of
14 which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

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19 *Section 5. Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
20 Official Gazette.