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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTEENTH (16TH) CONGRESS
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House Bill No. **1453**



Introduced by **HON. VICENTE F. BELMONTE, JR.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Iligan City National School of Fisheries (ICNSF) was established as a secondary school over forty(40) years ago or on May 4, 1973 by virtue of the passage of Republic Act No. 4625 entitled "An Act providing for the establishment of a school of fishery in the City of Iligan, and authorizing the appropriation of funds therefore". Situated in Barangay Buru-un, Iligan City, ICNSF is bounded on the north by national highway, Iligan-Marawi Rd., stretching from east to south by Mimbalot River, and on the west by Linamon River. Of the total land area of ten (10) hectares, approximately three and a half (3.5) hectares is occupied by classrooms, administration building and service areas. Three(3) hectares cover fresh water ponds divided into different compartments: one(1) for head, two(2) for breeding and six(6) for rearing; and the remaining three and a half(3.5) hectares is for parks, roads, pathways, vegetation and mini forest areas.

ICNSF has more than nine hundred (900) enrollees to date. Among secondary schools all over the country, ICNSF was one of the first to have indicated its willingness to serve as model school for the Senior High School (SHS) curriculum in 2010. Emerging as a top model school to the "K-12 Program" of the Department of Education (DepEd), ICNSF offers several "career pathways" for SHS students. In fact, by the end of March 2013, ICNSF started producing world-class fish capture workers, specialized welders, caregivers, massage therapists, technical drafters as well as cooks who are absorbed by certain prestigious food chains and other private catering firms after their immersion with such companies and obtaining National Certification Level II (NC II) from Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA). These include courses in Fish Capture, Basic Culinary Arts with specialization in local and international cuisine including bread and pastry production and baking, specialized Welding Technology and Aquaculture Technology, among several others. The course in Fish Capture is offered with ladderized system that leads to special courses in Marine Transportation, Marine Engineering or Marine Electrical Installation and Maintenance.

An exemplar, functional and progressive fisheries school, ICNSF is presently vying to be given Level III accreditation as a technical vocational school by the year 2015. Thus, this modest representation now seeks for consideration the conversion of the Iligan City National School of Fisheries (ICNSF) from a fisheries school into a school of arts and trade which shall be known as Iligan City School of Arts and Trade (ICSAT).

Approval of this bill is henceforth earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE ILIGAN CITY NATIONAL SCHOOL OF
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SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADE TO BE KNOWN AS ILIGAN CITY
SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADE (ICSAT) AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFORE

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

SECTION 1. This Act provides for the conversion of the Iligan City National School of Fisheries (ICNSF) from a fisheries school to a school of arts and trade which shall be known as Iligan City School of Arts and Trade (ICSAT).

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Education shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act including appropriations necessary for the operations of the school, which shall thereafter be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. Republic Act No. 4625 and all other laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provision of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication in at least two (2) publications of general circulation.

APPROVED,