

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Bill No. 1561



Introduced by Representative **IMELDA ROMUALDEZ-MARCOS**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Sacritan Elementary School in the Municipality of Pinili, Ilocos Norte has served as a pillar of education in the province since 1923. It has catered to students coming from Barangays Sacritan, Lumba-an-Bicbica and Liliputen.

At present, students need to travel 15-21 kilometers away just to reach the nearest public high school. This is why many parents have been clamoring for the establishment of a high school in their area that will open an opportunity for students to access basic education at a lower cost. This is why the conversion of Sacritan Elementary School to an integrated school is not only timely, but a necessity. It will be able to accommodate the growing educational needs of the children within the area.

The establishment of Sacritan Integrated School will not only reduce the transportation costs of the students, but it will also significantly contribute to the increase in the participation and cohort survival rates of students within the area. With the implementation of the K + 12 curriculum, a more conscious effort to maximize the resources of each school should be exercised in order to reach out to even more students. In this way, the number of out-of-school youth, as well as the crime and unemployment rates will relatively decrease.

For additional information, this bill was approved at the committee level in the Fifteenth Congress.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Imelda G. Marcos".

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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE SACRITAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY
OF PINILI, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO
BE KNOWN AS SACRITAN INTEGRATED SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Conversion into an Integrated School. The Sacritan Elementary School located at Sitio Balbalay, Barangay Sacritan, Pinili, Ilocos Norte is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as Sacritan Integrated School.

SECTION 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Sacritan Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Sacritan Integrated School.

SECTION 3. Appropriations. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program and operationalization of the Sacritan Integrated School, the funding of which 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 fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved.