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House Bill No. **1562**



Introduced by **HON. IMELDA ROMUALDEZ-MARCOS**

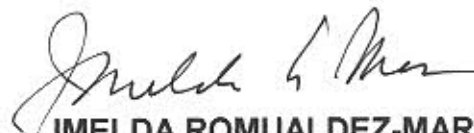
EXPLANATORY NOTE

It was noticed from previous years that there has been an alarming low participation rate of high school students and a relatively high dropout rate, particularly of those living within the area of Malaguip Elementary School. One of the main reasons considered for this is that the nearest High School in this area is 8-10 kilometers away.

Because of this, the parents find it costly to send their children to a distant school which requires them to spend sixty pesos for daily transportation excluding school and food allowances. It is this financial constraint that prevents the students from continuing their secondary education and leads them to dropping out of school.

The conversion of Malaguip Elementary School into an integrated school would open an opportunity for students to enter high school and pursue their education until they graduate on their fourth year. Within this area of Paoay Ilocos Norte, there are three barangays which serve as the catchment area of the would-be Malaguip Integrated School such as Oaig-Upay-Abulao, Masintoc and Callaguip. Not only will this option be less costly for the parents, but also more convenient for the students who will travel only a short distance to reach the school. Most of them who live within the vicinity can even walk their way to school. This conversion will also utilize a more efficient operation of the Local Educational System in the Municipality of Paoay, Ilocos Norte and will also encourage students who dropped out to return to school and finish their education. Through this, the students will be able to obtain the quality of education that they deserve to have as the future leaders and professionals of our province and of our country.

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


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE MALAGUIP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY
OF PAOAY, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL
TO BE KNOWN AS MALAGUIP 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 Malaguip Elementary School in Brgy. 19 Masintoc, Paoay Ilocos Norte is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as Malaguip Integrated School.

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

SECTION 3. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program and operationalization of the Malaguip 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.