

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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**HOUSE BILL NO. 1567**



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Introduced by **Hon. Frederick F. Abueg**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

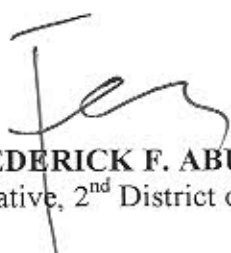
This bill aims to provide the youth of Barangay Malihud in the Municipality of Bataraza, Province of Palawan, access to quality secondary education by converting the Tarusan National High School – Malihud Extension into a separate and distinct national high school from the Tarusan National High School, to be known as MALIHUD NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Tarusan National High School – Malihud Extension was established in 2009. At present, Malihud Extension obtains its funding for operations from its mother school, the Tarusan National High School. The steady enrollment growth of Tarusan National High School – Malihud Extension shows that students recognize the tremendous value of education in shaping the future and alleviating poverty. Further, a regular source of funds every school year must be adequate to enable the school to function effectively and efficiently. It can only be realized by making it a distinct institution and funding therefor included in the annual General Appropriations Act. Furthermore, the separation and conversion into a national high school will improve the administration of both Malihud Extension and Tarusan National High School in terms of addressing the needs of its students.

The Malihud Extension High School was issued permit to operate by the Regional Director of Region IV-B, Department of Education, pursuant to the request of local government officials of Bataraza, Palawan, after compliance with necessary requirements therefor.

This bill is recommended for approval, consistent with Article XIV Section One of the 1987 Constitution which mandates that, "the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."

In accordance with the State's policy of providing quality education for its citizens, the approval of this bill is earnestly recommended.

  
**FREDERICK F. ABUEG**  
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**AN ACT CONVERTING THE TARUSAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – MALIHU  
EXTENSION IN BARANGAY MALIHU, MUNICIPALITY OF  
BATARAZA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, INTO A SEPARATE AND  
DISTINCT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FROM THE TARUSAN  
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, TO BE KNOWN AS MALIHU  
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR**

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

1           SECTION 1. *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.*– The  
2   Tarusan National High School – Malihud Extension in Barangay Malihud,  
3   Municipality of Bataraza, Province of Palawan, is hereby converted into a separate  
4   and distinct national high school from the Tarusan National High School, to be known  
5   as Malihud National High School.

6           SEC. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities  
7   and records of the Tarusan National High School – Malihud Extension are hereby  
8   transferred to and absorbed by the Malihud National High School.

9           SEC. 3. *Appropriations.* – The funds necessary for the continued operation and  
10   maintenance of the Malihud National High School shall be included in the General  
11   Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

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

14          SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,