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HOUSE BILL NO. 1698



Introduced by **REP. PHILIP A. PICHAY**

Explanatory Note

This measure proposes the separation and conversion of the Carmen National Agriculture High School, Esperanza Annex in Barangay Esperanza, Carmen, Surigao del Sur into a national high school.

The school plays a crucial role in educating our youth in the remote barangays of Esperanza and Hinapoyan in Carmen, and San Vicente, Bagsak, Bayogo and San Roque in Madrid town. These hinterland communities are thankful for this annex school.

In time, however, circumstances change. More and more of our youth signify their desire to pursue secondary education, which is a good sign for our drive to promote development in the communities. Such real is matched only by the residents' determination to provide a better future for their children, even resolving to extend voluntary labor in any project the school will take.

In view of the above, and with the actual increase in student population in the communities, the profound need to establish a learning institution, distinct and separate from the mother school, has never been more pronounced.

Early passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

SEPARATING THE CARMEN NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL – ESPERANZA ANNEX IN BARANGAY ESPERANZA, MUNICIPALITY OF CARMEN, PROVINCE OF SURIGAO DEL SUR, FROM THE CARMEN NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING THE SAME INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE ESPERANZA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.* The Carmen National Agricultural High School – Esperanza Annex in Barangay Esperanza, Carmen, Surigao del Sur is hereby separated from the Carmen National Agricultural High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the Esperanza National High School;

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Carmen National Agricultural High School – Esperanza Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Esperanza National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Esperanza National High 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 or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,