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Introduced by Representatives  
DIOSDADO MACAPAGAL ARROYO and GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO

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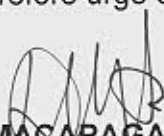
AN ACT  
SEPARATING THE NORTHERN PLAIN HIGH SCHOOL - SAN  
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THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV of the Constitution mandates that, "[t]he state shall protect the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."

Regrettably, the Municipality of Libmanan does not have sufficient funds to support the needs of all its schools and students. Thus, in line with the Constitutional mandate above, it is essential that the National Government lend its hand in assisting public municipal schools. The bill therefore seeks to separate the Northern Plain High School - San Isidro National High School Annex from the San Isidro National High School and to convert the same into an independent national high school to be called the Northern Plain National High School in the hope that greater participation from the National Government will help promote quality education in the provinces.

We therefore urge our colleagues to work with us for the passage of this bill.

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

SECTION 1. *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.* –  
The Northern Plain High School - San Isidro National High School Annex in  
Barangay Patag, Municipality of Libmanan, Province of Camarines Sur is hereby  
separated from the San Isidro National High School and converted into an  
independent national high school to be known as Northern Plain National High  
School.

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets,  
liabilities and records of the Northern Plain High School - San Isidro National  
High School Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Northern Plain  
National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriations* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Northern Plain National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Northern Plain High School - San Isidro National High School Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school 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,*