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HOUSE BILL NO. 2462



Introduced by Honorable Oscar "Richard" S. Garin, Jr.

"AN ACT SEPERATING DON FELIX SERRA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – LOMBOYAN EXTENSION IN BARANGAY LOMBOYAN, MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOAQUIN, PROVINCE OF ILOILO FROM DON FELIX SERRA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS SILVESTRE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The right to basic education is a fundamental right which under any and all circumstances , must be upheld. Thus, it is the primary duty of the state to provide quality education in all levels of education, especially in elementary and secondary levels.

Don Felix Serra National High School – Lomboyen Extension located at Barangay Lomboyen, San Joaquin, Iloilo, caters pupils coming from the elementary schools of Barangay Lomboyen and Langca. The enrollees of these elementary schools are from the nine (9) mountainous barangays in the northernmost part of San Joaquin, Iloilo.

The independence of Don Felix Serra National High School – Lomboyen Extension from Don Felix Serra National High School would mean greater allocation of resources for the said school resulting to improved facilities, higher quality education and bigger opportunities to more people in Lomboyen, San Joaquin, Iloilo and adjacent barangays, thus, ensuring that the fundamental right to basic education is protected.

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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.* Don Felix Serra National High School – Lomboyen Extension in Barangay Lomboyen, Municipality of San Joaquin, Province of Iloilo, is hereby separated from Don Felix Serra National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Silvestre National High School.

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of Don Felix Serra National High School – Lomboyen Extension are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Silvestre National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operational machineries and mechanisms of Silvestre National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of Don Felix Serra National High School – Lomboyen Extension. 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 rules and regulations that 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,