

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 3126



Introduced by Representative REGINA ONGSIAKO REYES
Lone District, Marinduque

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make education accessible to all. It likewise mandates the State to establish and to maintain a system of free education both in the elementary and high school levels. It is in this light that this Bill proposes to establish the Gasan Integrated Central School, in keeping with the government's major educational thrust of improving the accessibility of basic education.

The Gasan Central School was established in 1917 to accommodate the hundreds of elementary students in the Poblacion Area of the municipality. The conversion of the Gasan Central School into an Integrated School will ensure the continuing availment of our youth of free secondary education, unhampered by the prohibitive cost of transportation on top of school-related expenses. To date, there is no public high school in the Poblacion Area of Gasan and the creation of an Integrated School therefore provides for convenience in terms of time and financial management for both students and their parents, not just for those residing in the Poblacion but for those in nearby barangays as well.

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


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE GASAN CENTRAL SCHOOL IN GASAN,
MARINDUQUE INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN
AS THE GASAN INTEGRATED CENTRAL SCHOOL
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. *Conversion into an Integrated School.* The Gasan Central School in the Municipality of Gasan in Marinduque is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as the Gasan Integrated Central.

Sec. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Gasan Central School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Gasan Integrated Central School.

Sec. 3. *Appropriations.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Gasan Integrated Central School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Sec. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

APPROVED.