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House Bill No. **3135**

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution provides that *"the State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development."*

Likewise, Article XIV, Section 1 further provides that *"the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens of quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."*

Further, Article II, Section 13 of the Constitution recognizes *the vital role of the youth in nation building and its mandate to protect and promote their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being.*

In the pursuit of the above policies enshrined in the Constitution, this bill seeks the creation of the Navotas National Science High School in Navotas City in order to provide equal access to a free and quality education for the youth of Navotas City. The establishment of a national science high school will give the impoverished yet deserving members of the youth sector the opportunity to develop and cultivate not only their skills and knowledge in science, but also their talents as well.

It shall likewise provide the youth exposure to developments in information and technology, an important adjunct in science and technology courses.

Finally, it is envisioned that free access to education will bring those who have less in life and those who are financially and materially blessed in equal footing in terms of employment opportunities.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL IN NAVOTAS CITY
TO BE KNOWN AS NAVOTAS NATIONAL SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. *Establishment of a National Science High School.* – There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national science high school in Navotas City.

SEC. 2. *Appropriation.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Navotas National Science High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. *Implementation.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved.