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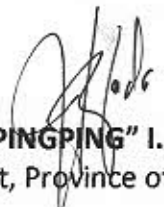
EXPLANATORY NOTE

We Filipinos have a deep regard for education which we view as a primary avenue for our children to contribute meaningfully in nation building. Hence, the state has taken an active interest in ensuring that they realize their full potentials, safeguarding their right to quality and affordable education relevant to the needs of today's society. In many rural barangays parents make tremendous sacrifices in order to provide education to their children, some even go to the extent of working together with local and community stakeholders to build and establish schools for their children in order not to burden them from hiking several kilometres back and forth to the central barangay to attend school.

Banislan National High School-Carugmanan Annex is a concrete example of a school built and established through "Bayanihan". It started in 2009 with a two-classroom building made of light materials and 33 pioneering students. Through the years the number of enrollees grew. Aside from graduates of Carugmanan Elementary School, new graduates from nearby Miguel Macasarte Elementary School, Thailand Elementary School, Busaon Elementary School and Pantar Elementary School flocked to Carugmanan Annex. The school now finds itself ill-equipped to meet the growing number of students.

With the passage of this Bill, Carugmanan Annex would be able to continue its mission of protecting and promoting the rights of every child in Baranagy Carugmanan and nearby baranagys to quality, equitable, culture-based and complete basic education thus ensuring the development of the basic core values of Maka-Diyos, Maka-Tao, Makakalikasan, and Makabansa.

Hence the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT SEPARATING THE BANISILAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-CARUGMANAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY CARUGMANAN, BANISILAN COTABATO, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CARUGMANAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

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

Section 1. *Separation and Conversion.* – The Banisilan National High School-Carugmanan Annex in Barangay Carugmanan, Banisilan, Cotabato is hereby separated from the Banisilan National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Carugmanan National High School.

Section 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Banisilan National High School-Carugmanan Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Carugmanan National High School.

Section 3. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Carugmanan National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Banisilan National High School-Carugmanan 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 the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Section 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.