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HOUSE BILL NO. 4409



Introduced by: HON. FELIX WILLIAM "WIMPY" B. FUENTEBELLA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of education is to provide an individual with knowledge, skills, competence and desirable qualities of behavior to render him fit for the duties of life. This is the foremost reason our Constitution explicitly mandates the State not only to make education accessible to all but also to uphold the right of citizens to quality education.

In pursuance of this expressed constitutional mandate, Congress passed Republic Act No. 6655 otherwise known as the Free Secondary Education Act.

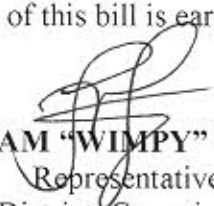
It is worthy to mention that our government has invested heavily on the education of our school children knowing fully well that investment in knowledge always pays the best interest.

This can be gleaned from another provision in the Constitution to give highest budgetary priority to education. It is not surprising therefore that the Department of Education gets the highest budgetary pie every year over other Departments.

This bill therefore, seeks to separate the Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School-Sangay Western High School Annex from the Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School and to convert it into an independent national high school to be known as the Tinorongan National High School.

The Municipality of Sangay in the Province of Camarines Sur does not have sufficient fund to sustain the operation of the school to the detriment of school children. But with its conversion into a national high school, the national government will amply provide the necessary appropriation for the operation and maintenance of the said national high school in compliance with aforementioned constitutional mandates.

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


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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE DR. RODOLFO V. PAMOR, JR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-SANGAY WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL ANNEX FROM THE DR. RODOLFO V. PAMOR, JR. MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TINORONGAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.* – The Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School-Sangay Western High School-Annex in Barangay Tinorongan, Municipality of Sangay, Province of Camarines Sur is hereby separated from the Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Tinorongan National High School.

SEC. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School-Sangay Western High School Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Tinorongan National High School.

SEC. 3. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Tinorongan National High School, initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Dr. Rodolfo V. Pamor, Jr. Memorial National High School-Sangay Western High School Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days its publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,