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HOUSE BILL No. **5322**



Introduced by **Representative WILFREDO S. CAMINERO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Education is the only incorruptible wealth we can pass to our children. That is why a big chunk of the government resources are invested on the education of the youth. Not only because the youth needs to compete in the international scene, but mainly because they are the future of our nation. Their success is the success of the country.

As mandated in Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution: "The State shall protect and promote the right of all the citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all". It is significant then to have that constitutional provision of "quality education" be available in the countryside where students cram the dilapidated classrooms and devoid of ample allocation from the government.

The very aim of the bill is to realize the constitutional mandate of providing "quality education" to the youth of Argao, Cebu by separating the Argao National High School from its mother school and converting it into a national high school with fiscal autonomy. In that way, the problems of the school like dilapidated and crammed classrooms can also be addressed when they enjoy more funds from the national government.

In sum, we will not only be educating the youth and securing their future but we will also be promoting empowerment and development in the rural areas.

Thus, the passage of the bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

SEPARATING THE ARGAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY CANBANUA, MUNICIPALITY OF ARGAO, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE COLAWIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL WITH FISCAL AUTONOMY TO BE KNOWN AS ARGAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

Be 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 Argao National High School is hereby separated from the Colawin National High School and converted into a national high school with fiscal autonomy to be known as Argao National High School.

SEC. 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. All personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of the Argao National High School as an extension school are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the newly-separated and autonomous Argao National High School.

SEC. 3. Appropriation. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Education under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such amount as may be needed for the operations and maintenance of the school 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. 4. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,