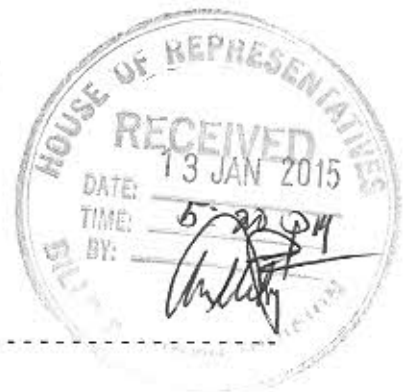


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL No. **5324**



Introduced by **Representative WILFREDO S. CAMINERO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

If the young is to be the hope of the fatherland as espoused by our National Hero, a well educated and skilled youth is crucial and indispensable in this age of global competition and technological advancements. Indeed, the future of our nation rests on them. Since the growth and development of our country lies on their shoulder, it is imperative then that they get all the support the government can provide to equip them with the necessary qualities to face the challenges ahead. Hence, their education remains to be one of the flagship projects of the present administration as can be seen in the legislation and gradual implementation of the K-12 program. Education, too, is a great tool to alleviate, if not eradicate, poverty aside from shaping them into better citizens of the republic in the future.

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 imperative then to have that constitutional provision of "quality education" be palpable in the countryside where students crammed the classrooms 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 the Municipality of Oslob, Province of Cebu to be known as the Oslob National High School. The passage of this bill would ensure that the students of the said locality can avail the so-called "quality education" without having to travel several kilometers. The realization of this bill also implies that the growing population of the Municipality is not taken for granted by the government specifically in the education aspect.

In sum, we will be promoting development and empowerment in the rural areas by providing quality education to the youth. And by keeping our students in the classrooms, we are also keeping them away from the perils of vices and other evils of the society.

Thus, the passage of the bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE OSLOB NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY
LAGUNDI, MUNICIPALITY OF OSLOB, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE
SANTANDER NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO A NATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL WITH FISCAL AUTONOMY TO BE KNOWN AS OSLOB
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 Oslob National High School is hereby separated from the Santander National High School and converted into a national high school with fiscal autonomy to be known as Oslob National High School.

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