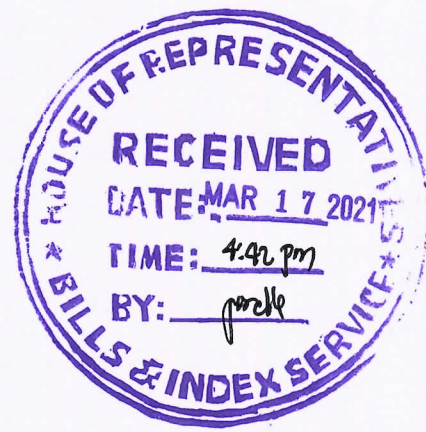


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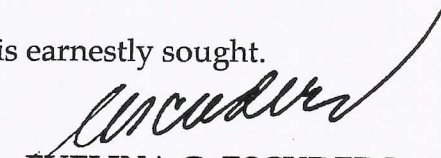
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Undeniably, Filipinos always have a deep regard for education. It has always been considered by the many as the primary avenue for social and economic mobility, and for the state, an essential component for national development.¹ The framers of our constitution articulated this sentiment into a state policy as it declares to “give priority to education,”² and to “protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.”³

It is for these reasons that this Bill seeks to convert the San Lorenzo Elementary School in Brgy. Bibincan, Sorsogon City, into an Integrated School to be known as San Lorenzo Integrated National School. The conversion of the elementary school into an integrated school would ensure that the school children of Brgy. Bibincan and the neighboring barangays would have due and proper access to full basic education, i.e., elementary and secondary education.

In the 2015 Census, Brgy. Bibincan was recorded to have a population of 15,738; 30.96% of which aged 14 and below.⁴ Its population is projected to grow to 18,693 in year 2021, and the entire City of Sorsogon, 199,675.⁵ The growing population of the community, the limited resources of the locality, and the duty of the State of the to establish, maintain, and support an accessible, complete, adequate, and integrated system of education⁶ necessitate the conversion of San Lorenzo Elementary School into an integrated school.

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


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¹ Philippine Education For All 2015: Implementation and Challenges. Available at http://planipolis.iiep.unesco.org/sites/planipolis/files/ressources/philippines_efa_mda.pdf

² Section 17, Article II, 1987 Philippine Constitution

³ Section 1, Article XIV, 1987 Philippine Constitution

⁴ PhilAtlas. Available at <https://www.philAtlas.com/luzon/r05/sorsogon/sorsogon-city/bibincan.html>

⁵ Data from the National Nutrition Council

⁶ Section 2, Article XIV, 1987 Philippine Constitution

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THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The San Lorenzo Elementary School in Brgy. Bibincahan, Sorsogon City, Province of Sorsogon is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as San Lorenzo Integrated National School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the San Lorenzo Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the San Lorenzo Integrated National School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the San Lorenzo Integrated National School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Within one hundred twenty (120) days from the approval of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

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

Approved,