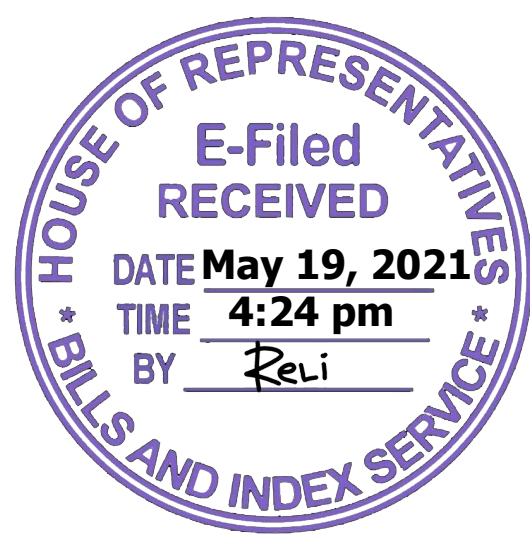


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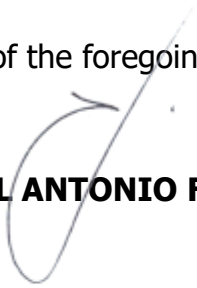
The Philippines is a nation with immense potential in sports, as it is an integral element of our culture. Filipino athletes have won in amateur and professional competitions in individual and team sports all over the world. Our common goal is to enhance national pride that will come from intensive sports training and high-quality education including our indigenous sports and martial arts at the grassroots and elite levels.

To achieve better performance in local and international competitions, allocating more resources in sports training and infrastructure development should be prioritized. Government should play a larger role by consistently providing high quality of sports training and education.

This bill proposes to create the National Academy of Sports System (NAS System) that shall educate and serve as training ground for Filipino athletes, as an attached agency the Philippine Sports Commission. It shall provide resources to prepare our youth for career in Sports and improve the country's medal haul in international competitions by offering secondary and tertiary education and training in sports.

The future holds much promise for recognizing our athlete's talents and skills, for enhancing character-building attributes of athletics and sports training and for reinforcing nationwide campaigns for over-all fitness and health.

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


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AN ACT
AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 11470 TO INCLUDE TERTIARY EDUCATION
PROGRAM ON SPORTS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Section 3 of Republic Act 11470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. Creation and Establishment of the National Academy of Sports System. – There is hereby created and established a National Academy of Sports System (NAS System) to develop the athletic skills, talents and knowledge of students in world class sports facilities which are at par with international standards.

The NAS System is hereby mandated to implement a quality and enhanced secondary and tertiary education program, integrated with a special curriculum on sports. It shall be geared to the early recognition and development of highly talented and exceptionally gifted students and those who have demonstrated the potential of excelling in the field of sports including those talented individuals who have missed earlier opportunities but have displayed exceptional abilities in his/her respective sport at bit later in his/her youth.

The NAS System shall be attached to the Philippine Sports Commission, in close coordination with the Department of Education and Commission on Higher Education for qualified students in the secondary and tertiary level, respectively."

SEC. 2. Sec.20 of Republic Act 11470 is hereby amended to read as follows: "Sec. 20. Joint Congressional Oversight Committee on the NAS System. – There is hereby created a

Joint Congressional Oversight Committee to oversee, monitor, and evaluate the implementation of this Act.

The Oversight Committee shall be composed of seven (7) members each from the Senate and House of Representatives, including the Chairpersons of the Committees on Basic Education, Arts and Culture in the Senate and Basic Education and Culture in the House of Representatives, the Chairpersons of the Committees of Higher, Technical and Vocational Education in the Senate and Higher and Technical Education in the House of Representatives, Youth and Sports Development, and Finance in the Senate and Appropriations in the House of Representatives. The membership of the Committee for each House shall have at least one (1) minority member.”

SEC. 3. *Separability Clause.* - If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 4. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, rules or orders inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect upon completion of its publication in at least one (1) national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,