

**Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City
18th Congress**

**Third Regular Session
House Bill No. 10002**



Introduced by Hon. Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that “The Department of Education shall protect and promote the right of all citizen to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.”

Basic education should provide all Filipino children with the skills, knowledge and values needed to become caring, self-reliant, productive and patriotic citizens. It is a vital component in nation building, as education entitles a way out of poverty for many individuals and provides the tools needed to face a dynamic socio-economic local and global atmosphere.

This bill seeks to establish two additional school divisions in the second and third district of the Province of Bohol.

Currently, the Province of Bohol has only two (2) school divisions. One is the City Schools Division in Tagbilaran City, the other is the Provincial Schools Division. This notwithstanding the fact that the province has a total of forty-seven (47) municipalities.

The administration and supervision of basic education within the province in both public and private schools has been under the jurisdiction of the Schools Division through the Schools Division Superintendent.

To ensure that these schools are properly and equally supervised, there is a need to create two (2) additional schools division in the Province of Bohol.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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2nd District, Bohol

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

**AN ACT
ESTABLISHING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL
SCHOOLS DIVISION OFFICES IN THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL**

Section 1. Establishment of Schools Division - There shall be two (2) additional school division offices in the Province of Bohol. The Second School Division and the Third School Division under the supervision of the Department of Education. Each shall be headed by a Division Superintendent.

The Department of Education shall determine the staff compliment and the qualification standards of the personnel assigned in the School Division Office.

Section 2. The Schools Division – Present Schools Division shall comprise all the municipalities in the First Congressional District, the Second Schools Division shall comprise the municipalities in the Second Congressional District and the Third Schools Division shall comprise the municipalities of the Third Congressional District of Bohol.

Section 3. Appropriations - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's programs, the operation of the Schools Division Offices. The funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act

Section 4. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, presidential proclamations, rules and regulations or part thereof contrary to or inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 5. Any portion or provision of this Act that may be declared unconstitutional or invalid shall not have the effect of nullifying other portions or provisions hereof, as long as such remaining portions or provisions can still subsist and be given effect in their entirety.

Section 6. This Act shall take effect within fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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