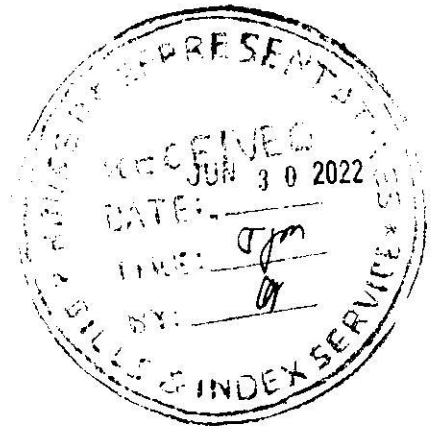




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HOUSE BILL No. **411**



Introduced by: **HON. CARL NICOLAS C. CARI**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Sports have been an integral aspect of Filipino culture. At an early age, sports teach the youth about discipline, teamwork, and hard work among others. Sometimes, roads are turned into a basketball court, or some sort of ground for physical activities. Sundays are reserved for gatherings, watching our most-awaited boxing matches with friends and family. More than sweat and movement, sports have been an avenue that cultivates bonds among individuals and establishes one's virtues and morals.

As early as 1924, The Philippines began competing in the Olympics. We managed to win 10 medals but none was gold; we had our chances in that much-coveted medal. In 1964, featherweight boxer Anthony Villanueva won the silver after losing a disputed split decision to Russia's Stanislav Stepashkin in Tokyo. In the 1996 Atlanta Olympics, light flyweight boxer Maseuto "Onyok" Velasco settled for a silver after losing to Bulgaria's Daniel Bozhilov Petrov and weightlifter Hidilyn Diaz took second place in the women's 53-kilogram division at the 2016 Rio Games. However, no Filipino athlete has ever won a gold medal.

Through the establishment of a National High School for Sports in the City of Baybay, we can foster young athletes in both the Central and Eastern Visayas Region and equip them of making a mark in Philippine sports history. Through this effort focused on the youth, we can provide them with an avenue to pursue their dreams and keep them away from vices, allowing them to be the best person they can be in our society. With this, this humble representation earnestly seeks the passage of this Bill.

This bill had been previously filed by the undersigned in the 18th Congress and was approved by the House on 2021-03-25. It was transmitted and received by the Senate on 2021-04-12 and was read on First Reading and Referred to the Committees on Basic Education, Arts, and Culture; Sports, and Finance.

Respectfully submitted,


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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE BAYBAY CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FOR
SPORTS IN BAYBAY CITY, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* - This Act shall be known as the “**Baybay City National High School for Sports Act**”.

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* - The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building. To this end, it shall advance and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being through the promotion of physical education and sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training in international competitions, foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry; and develop athletes with a strong sense of patriotism and love of country. It shall likewise provide appropriate sports training and academic preparation to promote the holistic development of students with athletic abilities, instill in them strong patriotic ideals and prepare them for careers in sports.

SECTION 3. *Establishment of the Baybay City National High School for Sports* - The Baybay City National High School for Sports is hereby established to develop the athletic skills and talents of high school students in Baybay City, Province of Leyte and its environs.

The Baybay City National High School for Sports shall be administered by the Department of Education (DepEd), in consultation with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), for policy and program formulation and implementation.

SECTION 4. *Purpose.* - The Baybay City National High School for Sports shall offer a secondary education to students with considerable potential in sports. The school curriculum shall have a significant emphasis on developing athletic skills of the students through subjects pertaining to physical education and sports.

SECTION 5. *Powers and Function.* - The Baybay City National High School for Sports shall exercise the following powers and functions:

- (a) Formulate and implement policies, plans, and programs that shall promote the development and harness the potential of high school students;
- (b) Provide an integrated framework to optimize the potential of its students;
- (c) Establish sports programs and facilities that shall be accessible to students;
- (d) Promote strategic partnerships and alliances between and among local and international sports organizations and educational training institutions to enhance the competitiveness of students and personnel;



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- (c) Develop plans and programs that shall enhance the career advancement opportunities of school personnel;
- (f) Establish guidelines for public-private partnerships in the implementation of sports programs of the school; and
- (g) Perform such other functions as may be required to implement the objectives of this Act.

SECTION 6. *School Director* – The Baybay City National High School for Sports shall be headed by a School Director who shall be responsible for the administration and operation of the school.

The School Director shall be assisted by an Assistant Director for Internal Affairs and an Assistant Director for External Affairs.

SECTION 7. *Sectoral and Industry Task Forces*. – The Baybay City National High School for Sports may create sectoral and industry task forces, technical working groups, advisory bodies or committees for the furtherance of its objectives.

The members of the sectoral and industry task forces may come from the agencies of the national government, government-owned and-controlled corporations, local government units, the academe, civil society organizations, sports organizations, and sports-related industrial organizations. The manner of selection of such members shall be provided under the Implementing Rules and Regulations to be formulated to implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 8. *Appropriations*. – The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the budget of DepEd in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations*. – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DepEd, in coordination with the PSC and other concerned agencies of the government, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 10. *Separability Clause*. – If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder thereof or any provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11. *Repealing Clause*. – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, proclamations, rules, regulations, issuances, and enactments or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 12. *Effectivity*. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED,