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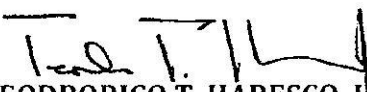
Introduced by **Representative TEODORICO "NONONG" T. HARESCO, JR.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

According to the latest 2020 Population Census, the Municipality of Ibaday, has the largest population in the Province of Aklan which is about 52,364¹, an increase of 5.6% from the population count in 2018. A large percentage of this is comprised of school-age population. However, given the number of students, there is a need for the establishment of a National High School which shall be located in Ibaday to cater the students not only in Ibaday but also the students of the entire province, especially those living in the second district.

The creation of a National Highschool especially dedicated for the Second District of Aklan students will address the shortage in classrooms, big student-to-classroom ration and other gaps in the public school system. This will also give the parents another option to enroll their children to this institution than send them to private high schools or even send them in another province. Having their children enrolled in another highschool located in other province entails bigger overhead expenses which bleed dry the finances of the family.

This representation deems it imperative that this bill be enacted into law the soonest possible time.


TEODORICO T. HARESCO, JR.

¹ Philippine Statistics Office. *2020 Census of Population Highlights*.
<http://rso06.psa.gov.ph/sites/default/files/2020%20Census%20Population%20IBAJAY.pdf>

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
IBAJAY, SECOND DISTRICT OF AKLAN, TO BE KNOWN AS
WESTERN AKLAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established, under the supervision of the Department
2 of Education, a national high school in the Municipality of Ibaay in the Second District of
3 Aklan, to be known as Western Aklan National High School.

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5 **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Education shall issue rules and regulations as may be
6 necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

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8 **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's
9 program the operationalization of the Western Aklan National High School, the funding
10 of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

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12 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its
13 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

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15 *Approved,*