

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. **3455**



Introduced by Representative **WOWO FORTES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish Alegria High School in Brgy. Alegria, Municipality of Barcelona, Province of Sorsogon.

Under the 1987 Constitution, the State is mandated to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and to take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all. It must establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of people and society.

The establishment of Alegria High School in Brgy. Alegria, Barcelona, Province of Sorsogon shall accommodate the increasing population growth in the area and its nearby barangays. It will decongest the class size of Barcelona Comprehensive High School and other secondary schools within the area.

By 30 June 2022, enrolled learners are at around 1,737 in Barcelona Comprehensive High School with a capacity of only 1,300 learners. As such, there is an evident need for the formal establishment of the requested high school in this part of the said Municipality as it will directly benefit the students in the same barangay and the other adjoining barangays.

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


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. B. No. **3455**

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING ALEGRIA HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY ALEGRIA,
MUNICIPALITY OF BARCELONA, PROVINCE OF SORSOGON,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. *Establishment of Alegria High School.* - There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, Alegria High School in Barangay Alegria, Municipality of Barcelona, Province of Sorsogon.

SEC. 2. *Appropriations.* - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program, the establishment, operationalization, and maintenance of Alegria High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. *Implementation.* - The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SEC. 4. *Separability Clause.* - If any provision of this Act is held invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not so declared shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 5. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, decrees, orders, and rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 6. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,