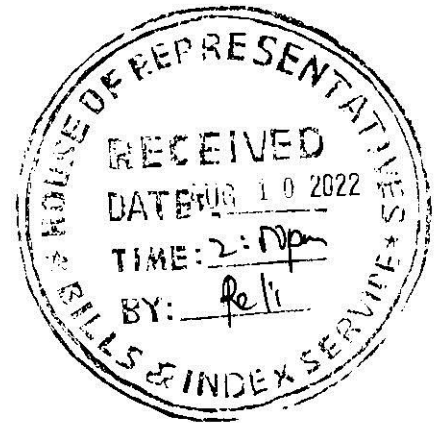


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HOUSE BILL NO. **3456**



Introduced by Representative **WOWO FORTES**

#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to establish Calintaan High School in the Island Barangays of Calintaan and Calayuan in the Municipality of Matnog, 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.

In the rural areas of the Philippines, distance is a huge hindrance for education, not just for students, but for teachers as well. With some coming from small barangays such as the Island Barangays of Calintaan and Calayuan in Matnog, Sorsogon, it is difficult to prioritize education for the learners.

The establishment of Calintaan High School in the Island Barangays of Calintaan and Calayuan, Municipality of Matnog, Province of Sorsogon shall provide accessible quality education without the additional economic burden of having to travel via boat or raft that poses danger to the lives of the learners especially during rainy season.

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

  
**ATTY. WOWO FORTES**  
*Representative*  
Second District, Province of Sorsogon

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING CALINTAAN HIGH SCHOOL IN THE ISLAND  
BARANGAYS OF CALINTAAN AND CALAYUAN, MUNICIPALITY OF MATNOG,  
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 Calintaan High School.* - There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, Calintaan High School in the Island Barangays of Calintaan and Calayuan, Municipality of Matnog, Province of Sorsogon.

SEC. 2. *Appropriations.* - The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program, the establishment, operationalization, and maintenance of Calintaan 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,*