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HOUSE BILL NO. 10673



Introduced by **Hon. WILTER YAP PALMA**

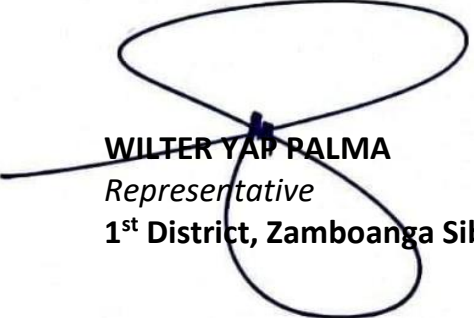
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish the Zamboanga Sibugay Sports Academy and Training Center. This initiative is grounded in the principles outlined in Section 13, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, which emphasizes the State's commitment to fostering patriotism and nationalism by prioritizing education, sciences, arts, culture, and sports. Furthermore, it aligns with the provision as stated by Section 17, Article II, which acknowledges the critical role of youth in nation-building and commits to promoting and protecting their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being.

To materialize the above-mentioned constitutional policies, the establishment of a Sports Academy and Training Center in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay shall serve as the pillar in promoting athleticism amongst the youth. By creating the Zamboanga Sibugay Sports Academy and Training Center, we aim to provide the necessary facilities and programs that will enable the Sibugaynon youth to pursue their passion for sports. This center will not only focus on athletic excellence but also the holistic development of young individuals, thus nurturing their potential in various aspects of life.

Furthermore, this initiative aims to become a spark for the development of Sibugaynon athletes who are ready not just for regional competitions, but also for national and international competitions thereby bringing honor not just for the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, but also for the entire country.

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


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AN ACT

**ESTABLISHING THE ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY SPORTS ACADEMY AND TRAINING
CENTER IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF DIPLAHAN, PROVINCE OF
ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title*** – This Act shall be known as the “Zamboanga Sibugay Sports
2 Academy and Training Center Act.”

3 **SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy*** – It is the policy of the State to promote and develop
4 sports and athleticism for the youth. Towards this end, a Sports Academy and Training Center
5 shall be established in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay to:

- 6 a. Encourage and promote continuous knowledge acquisition in the field of sports;
7 b. Advance efforts towards sports appreciation, engagement, and participation in the
8 Province of Zamboanga Sibugay;
9 c. Promote, enhance, and strengthen sports training for the benefit of the Sibugaynons

10 **SECTION 3. *Establishment of the Zamboanga Sibugay Sports Academy and Training***
11 ***Center*** - There is hereby established in Barangay Poblacion, Municipality of Diplahan, Province of
12 Zamboanga Sibugay, a sports academy and training center to be known as the “Zamboanga
13 Sibugay Sports Academy and Training Center”, which shall be the primary sports development
14 and training center for the whole province of Zamboanga Sibugay.

15 **SECTION 4. *Integration of existing facilities and Creation of Programs*** - The Municipal
16 Government of Diplahan, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), and
17 Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), shall take the necessary steps to integrate the existing sports
18 facilities, equipment, and personnel in the province, into the newly created training center.

19 The Municipal Government of Diplahan, in coordination with DepEd, and PSC, shall create
20 the necessary training programs, appropriate tournaments and competitions, as well as the
21 system by which the facilities shall be maintained and managed to accomplish the objectives and
22 purposes of this Act.

23 **SECTION 3. *Appropriations*** - The amount needed for the construction, establishment, and
24 operation of the Zamboanga Sibugay Sports Academy and Training Center shall be taken from
25 the current year's appropriations of the Department of Education. *Provided* that the Philippine
26 Sports Commission shall augment the funds appropriated by the Department of Education as
27 necessary to ensure the successful completion and continuous operation of the Zamboanga
28 Sibugay Sports Academy and Training Center. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its
29 continued operation shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. In addition,
30 grants and endowments intended for sports development may be obtained from local or foreign
31 sources.

32 **SECTION 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations*** - The Municipal Government of
33 Diplahan, in coordination with DepEd, PSC, and other concerned stakeholders, shall, within sixty
34 (60) days upon the approval of this Act, issue the necessary rules and regulations for the
35 implementation of this Act.

36 **SECTION 5. *Separability Clause*** - If any portion or provision of this Act is declared
37 unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in
38 force and effect.

39 **SECTION 6. *Repealing Clause*** – All laws, executive orders, decrees, issuances, rules and
40 regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or
41 modified accordingly.

42 **SECTION 7. *Effectivity*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
43 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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45 *Approved,*