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House Bill No. 1102



Introduced by Representative
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 19 (1) of the Philippine Constitution states that “the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry.”

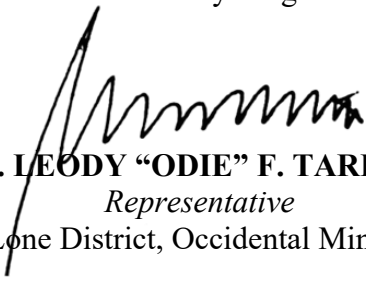
This Bill seeks to establish the Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center in the Municipality of Sablayan, Province of Occidental Mindoro which will serve as the primary sports development and training center for the whole Province.

At present, the Sablayan Sports Complex in Barangay Sto. Niño, Sablayan caters to different major sports festivals and competitions such as the Palaro ng Bayan, the DepEd Provincial Meet, and the MIMAROPA RAA, among others. Majority of the athletes representing the province to regional, national, and international sports competitions also train in the same complex.

The institutionalization of a sports development academy and training center in Occidental Mindoro will help enhance and streamline programs focused on the balanced academic and physical development of students-athletes. Furthermore, it can also contribute in the expert and professional management, maintenance, and improvement of sports facilities, not only in Sablayan, but in the whole province.

The concept embodied in the Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center hinges on a program where enrollees can train in their respective sports while also studying in their disciplines, thus being developed into productive and responsible citizens which can actively participate in nation-building.

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



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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE SABLAYAN SPORTS DEVELOPMENT
ACADEMY AND TRAINING CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
SABLAYAN, PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

Section 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center Act”.

Section 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is the policy of the State to promote and develop sports in the country, to achieve excellence in international sports competitions, to ensure success in the country’s quest to achieve competitiveness in various International Sports competitions.

Furthermore, under Article XIV, Section 19 of the Philippine Constitution, the State shall promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry. To further this policy, the State shall establish and construct a state-of-the-art and highly scientific sports complex in various provinces of the country.

Section 3. *Establishment of Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center.* – There shall be established in the Municipality of Sablayan, a sports

academy to be known as the Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center (SSDATC).

Section. 4. Objectives of the Sablayan Sports Development Academy and Training Center. – the SSDATC shall be constituted as the primary sports development and training center for the whole Province of Occidental Mindoro and the neighboring provinces thereat. It shall formulate programs using scientific principles, proven training techniques, and modern equipment and facilities that are at par with international standards.

The SSDATC shall develop the existing facilities of the Sablayan Sports Complex located in Barangay Sto. Niño, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro to develop sports facilities and amenities for the training of athletes on Olympic sports and other non-Olympic sports, and any other sport that are duly accredited and recognized by national sports associations as may be deemed significant and necessary by the SSADTC.

Section. 5. – Administration, Management, Operation and Maintenance of the SSADTC. The Local Government Unit of Sablayan (LGU Sablayan) is vested with the authority to administer, manage, operate and maintain the SSADTC including the administration of incidental income, security of the complex, assignment of personnel and hiring of managers, specialists, and other administrative staff as may be needed and as determined by the PSC: *Provided*, That LGU Sablayan shall employ professional and highly skilled managers with long and vast experience in sports administration and management to ensure the proper maintenance and upkeep of the SSADTC and its facilities and other amenities.

Section. 6. Deputy Executive Director. – There shall be a Deputy Executive Director who shall be or designated as such by the Municipal Mayor of Sablayan and shall direct and supervise the day-to-day operations of the SSADTC. The Deputy Executive Director must be a citizen of the Philippines, of good moral character, a college graduate, and has experience in sports administration.

The Municipal Mayor shall likewise appoint or designate other personnel to assist the Deputy Executive Director in the operations of the SSADTC as deemed necessary.

Section. 7. *Assistance by Government Entities.* - The Municipality of Sablayan, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), the Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro (PGOM), the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), and other relevant government agencies, shall take the necessary steps to upgrade and modernize existing facilities, equipment and personnel, and integrate them into the newly created sports academy.

The Municipality of Sablayan and the DepEd in coordination with the PGOM and the PSC, shall create training programs and competitions, sports- academic track, as well as the system by which the facilities shall be maintained and managed to accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Act.

Section. 8. *Funding.* – For the improvement of existing facilities and construction of new facilities, the amount of One Billion Pesos (P1,000,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated and shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA). Thereafter, the amount necessary to carry out the other provisions of this Act, particularly for the maintenance, operation, and management of the SSADTC, shall be included in succeeding years. Likewise, all incidental income that may be derived by the Municipality of Sablayan in its management and operation of the SSADTC shall form part of the Sports Development Fund (SDF) of the Municipality of Sablayan.

Section 9 . *Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR).* The Local Government Unit of Sablayan shall, in consultation and in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), and the Department of Education (DepEd), shall promulgate not later than thirty (30) days upon the effectivity of this Act, the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act: Provided, That the failure to promulgate the rules and regulations shall not prevent the implementation of this Act upon its effectivity.

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

Section. 11. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, decrees, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended 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,