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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. **1624**



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution provides, "The State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development" while Article XIV Section 1 tells us, "The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."

This bill seeks to separate the Buanoy National High School-Gaas National High School Extension in Barangay Gaas, Balamban, Cebu from the Buanoy National High School and convert it into an independent national high school to be known as Gaas National High School.

With this conversion, the capability of Gaas National High School as a catalyst for the youth will be strengthened and its administrative and financial capacity will be boosted—ensuring students will receive only the best education. It is hoped that this bill will help in the quality of life of not only the students and teachers concerned but also the surrounding community.

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "K. Garcia", written over the printed name of the representative.

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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE BUANOY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-GAAS NATIONAL
HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION IN BARANGAY GAAS, MUNICIPALITY OF
BALAMBAN, PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE BUANOY NATIONAL HIGH
SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL
TO BE KNOWN AS GAAS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Buanoy National High School-Gaas National High School Extension in Barangay Gaas, municipality of Balamban, province of Cebu is hereby separated from the Buanoy National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Gaas National High School.

SECTION 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Buanoy National High School-Gaas National High School Extension are hereby transferred to and absorbed by Gaas National High School.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of Gaas National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Buanoy National High School-Gaas National High School Extension. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act within One Hundred Twenty (120) days after its effectivity.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,