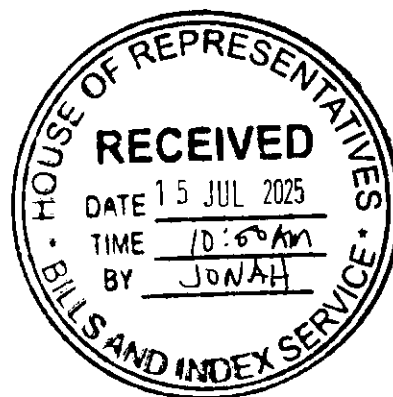


Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

Twentieth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. **1889**



Introduced by Hon. Alexandria P. Gonzales

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare certain parcels of land occupied by educational institutions within the Welfareville Property located in Mandaluyong City as exempt from any sale or disposition by amending Republic Act (RA) No. 5260, entitled "*An Act Authorizing a Committee composed of the Administrator of the Social Welfare Administration, the Auditor General and the Secretary of Department of General Services to Sell the Welfareville Property Located in the Municipality of Mandaluyong Province of Rizal, and for Other Purposes.*"

Section 2 (2), Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides:

"SECTION. 2. *The State shall:*

(1) *Xxx*

(2) *Establish and maintain a system of free public education in the elementary and high school levels. Without limiting the natural right of parents to rear their children, elementary education is compulsory for all children of school age.*"

RA 5260 authorized the sale of the Welfareville Property, which is composed of eighteen parcels of land and approximately one hundred ten hectares, to generate funds for the purchase of appropriate sites, construction of buildings and facilities, acquisition of furniture and equipment, including vehicles, for national children's home institutions and community services for children.

As of June 2023, a total of 22,384 students, comprising of 11,402 elementary students and 10,982 high school students, are enrolled in the educational institutions located within the Welfareville Property in Mandaluyong City.

By exempting the parcels of land occupied by these educational institutions in the Welfareville Property from sale or disposition, with a combined area of approximately 49,809 square meters, the currently enrolled students and future generations are assured that they can continue to avail of free public education provided by the government.

Likewise, by exempting the aforesaid parcels of land, it is consistent with the intent and purpose of RA 5260 to provide community services for the children and promote their general welfare. If the parcel of land are sold, the children and future generations will be denied of their rights to free public education, and the very purpose of RA 5260 will be set aside. Hence, this bill.

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



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AN ACT
DECLARING CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND OCCUPIED BY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE WELFAREVILLE PROPERTY LOCATED IN MANDALUYONG CITY AS EXEMPT FROM ANY SALE OR DISPOSITION, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5260, ENTITLED "AN ACT AUTHORIZING A COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SOCIAL WELFARE ADMINISTRATION, THE AUDITOR GENERAL AND THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES TO SELL THE WELFAREVILLE PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MANDALUYONG, PROVINCE OF RIZAL, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

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

- 1 SECTION 1. A new section denominated as Section 1-A is inserted
2 after Section 1 Republic Act No. 5260 to read as follows:
3 "Sec. 1-A. THE PARCELS OF LAND OCCUPIED BY THE
4 FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS WITHIN THE
5 WELFAREVILLE PROPERTY ARE EXEMPT FROM THE SALE OR
6 DISPOSITION AUTHORIZED UNDER SECTION 1 OF THIS ACT:

1 “(A) ANDRES BONIFACIO INTEGRATED SCHOOL,
2 6,555 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS;

3 “(B) ADDITION HILLS INTEGRATED SCHOOL, 5,004
4 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS;

5 “(C) MANDALUYONG ADDITION HILLS ELEMENTARY
6 SCHOOL, 1,856 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS;

7 “(D) MATAAS NA PAARALANG NEPTALI A. GONZALES,
8 11,982 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS;

9 “(E) SENATE PRESIDENT NEPTALI A. GONZALES,
10 INTEGRATED SCHOOL, 4,119 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS;

11 “(F) JOSE FABELLA MEMORIAL SCHOOL, 7,204 SQ.
12 M., MORE OR LESS;

13 “(G) NUEVE DE FEBRERO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,
14 2,270 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS; AND

15 “(H) MANDALUYONG COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND
16 TECHNOLOGY, 10,814 SQ. M., MORE OR LESS.

17 “THE LAND MANAGEMENT BUREAU OF THE DEPARTMENT
18 OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES SHALL CONDUCT
19 LAND SURVEY TO DETERMINE THE METES AND BOUNDS OF
20 THE EXEMPT PARCELS OF LAND OCCUPIED BY THE

21 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.” THEREAFTER, THE SECRETARY OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR)
PURSUANT TO SECTION 48, BOOK I OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 292, OR THE
 (“ADMINISTRATIVE CODE OF 1987”) IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE DEEDS
 OF CONVEYANCE ON BEHALF OF THE GOVERNMENT IN FAVOR TO THE
 DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

22 SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication

23 in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

24 Approved,