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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 2624



Introduced by Representative KATRINA CHUA - TAI

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Rio Hondo Elementary School in Barangay Rio Hondo, Zamboanga City into an integrated school to be known as the Rio Hondo Integrated School.

The proposed conversion, as endorsed by the Department of Education (DepEd) - Schools Division of Zamboanga City, aims to provide continuity and expanded access to basic education in the city. This transition is expected to enhance educational delivery, streamline administration, and address the growing needs of the local student population.

Under this measure, all existing personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of Rio Hondo Elementary School shall be transferred to the newly established Rio Hondo Integrated School. The DepEd shall ensure the school's operationalization, including funding under the annual General Appropriations Act. Furthermore, the Secretary of Education is mandated to issue the implementing rules and regulations in accordance with Republic Act No. 9155, or the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001", Republic Act No. 10533, or the "Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013", and other basic education-related laws.

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

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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE RIO HONDO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN BARANGAY RIO HONDO, ZAMBOANGA CITY INTO AN INTEGRATED SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE RIO HONDO INTEGRATED SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Rio Hondo Elementary School in Barangay Rio Hondo, Zamboanga City is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as the Rio Hondo Integrated School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Rio Hondo Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Rio Hondo Integrated School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Rio Hondo Integrated School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Within ninety days (90) from the approval of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act. Such implementing rules and regulations shall provide for the school's organization, administration, operations and management, in accordance with Republic Act No. 9155, or the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001", Republic Act No. 10533, or the "Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013", and other basic education-related laws.

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

Approved,