

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

Seventeenth Congress
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 205



Introduced by **Hon. Frederick F. Abueg**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was filed in the Sixteenth Congress as House Bill No. 1574 and was later on substituted as House Bill No. 5446. It has been referred to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture. It was approved in the House of Representatives and has been transmitted to the Senate of the Philippines. Consequently, upon recommendations of the Senate, it was transmitted back to the House of Representatives wherein the latter agreed to the introduced amendments on May 23, 2016. In order to pursue its enactment into law, the bill is refiled in the Seventeenth Congress and reiterated *in toto* as follows:

This bill seeks to convert the Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School – Aribungos Extension located in Barangay Aribungos, Municipality of Brooke’s Point, Province of Palawan, into a separate and distinct national high school from the Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School, to be known as INIL U. TAHA MEMORIAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School – Aribungos Extension was established on June 15, 2010. It obtains its funding for operations from its mother school, the Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School. The continuous increase in the number of enrollees of Aribungos Extension shows that students recognize the tremendous value of education in shaping the future and alleviating poverty. Moreover, in order for the school to function effectively and efficiently, a regular source of funds every school year must be sufficient. It can only be realized by making it a distinct institution and funding therefor included in the annual General Appropriations Act. Furthermore, the separation and conversion into a national high school will improve the administration of both Aribungos Extension and Gov. Alfredo

Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School in terms of addressing the needs of its students.

The Aribungos Extension High School was issued permit to operate by the Regional Director of Region IV-B, Department of Education, pursuant to the request of local government officials of Brooke's Point, Palawan, after compliance with necessary requirements therefor.

This bill is recommended for approval, consistent with Article XIV Section One of the 1987 Constitution which mandates that, "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."

In accordance with the State's policy of providing quality education for its citizens, the approval of this bill is earnestly recommended.



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Representative, 2nd District of Palawan

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AN ACT

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

1 **SECTION 1.** *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.*– The
2 Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational Memorial High School
3 – Aribungos Extension in Barangay Aribungos, Municipality of Brooke’s Point,
4 Province of Palawan, is hereby converted into a separate and distinct national high
5 school from the Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational
6 Memorial High School, to be known as Inil U. Taha Memorial National High School.

7 **SEC. 2.** *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities
8 and records of the Gov. Alfredo Abueg Sr. National Technology and Vocational
9 Memorial High School – Aribungos Extension are hereby transferred to and absorbed
10 by the Inil U. Taha Memorial National High School.

11 **SEC. 3. Appropriations.** – The funds necessary for the continued operation and
12 maintenance of the Inil U. Taha Memorial National High School shall be included in
13 the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and
14 thereafter.

15 **SEC. 4. Implementation.** – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules
16 and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

17 **SEC. 5. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
18 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general
19 circulation.

Approved,