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**HOUSE BILL NO. 958**



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Introduced by **HONORABLE LUIS RAYMUND F. VILLAFUERTE, JR.**  
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Education is the key that allows people to move up in the world, seek better jobs, and ultimately succeed fully in life. Education is very important, and no one should be deprived of it.

The Constitution mandates the State to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and to take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.

This bill seeks to convert the Pasacao Municipal High School into the Pasacao National High School with the end view of promoting quality education as envisioned by the Constitution as the Municipality of Pasacao does not have sufficient funds to support the needs of the school and its students. Due to this situation, the school and its students are currently suffering from lack of facilities, materials and qualified faculty. There is an urgent need, therefore, to pass the burden to the national government if only to pursue the constitutional mandate of promoting the right of citizens to quality education.

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

  
**LUIS RAYMUND F. VILLAFUERTE, JR.**

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**AN ACT CONVERTING THE PASACAO MUNICIPAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY STA. ROSA DEL NORTE, MUNICIPALITY OF PASACAO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR INTO A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS PASACAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

**Section 1.** *Conversion into a National High School.* - The Pasacao Municipal High School in Barangay Sta. Rosa del Norte, Municipality of Pasacao, Province of Camarines Sur is hereby converted into a national high school to be known as Pasacao National High School.

**Section 2.** *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* - All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Pasacao Municipal High School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Pasacao National High School.

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

**Section 4.** *Implementation.* - The Secretary of Education shall issue rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

**Section 5.** *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette*.

Approved,