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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution in Article XIV, Section 2, Paragraph (2) mandates that "The state shall establish and maintain a system of free public education in elementary and high school levels."

The Municipality of Hagonoy in Davao del Sur has been noted as having one of the densest populations in the whole province. It is noted that from the graduates of elementary each year from this area, only a small percentage are able to manage to go to high school due to poverty. Without any existing high schools, students are forced to enroll somewhere else just to obtain secondary education, if ever at all.

The nearest public high school therefrom is the Digos National High School. However, apart from high costs of education, the travelling distance from the barangay to the city is roughly eight kilometers making transportation expenses, board and lodging and other related expenses additional expenditures to the cost of sending children to high school which could hardly be afforded by parents who are mostly plain laborers.

Further, the said public high school is already cramped up with students coming from different municipalities of Davao del Sur thus undeniable that the school can no longer accommodate anymore enrollees.

It is now more timely than ever that Sacub should have its own high school through the enactment of this bill into law.

It is for this reason that approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND CREATING THE SACUB NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF HAGONOY, DAVAO DEL SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be created the Sacub National High School at the Municipality of Hagonoy, Davao del Sur;

SECTION 2. Sacub National High School in the Municipality of Hagonoy, Davao del Sur shall be established under the direct supervision of the Department of Education.

SECTION 3. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.