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HOUSE BILL NO. 5367

Introduced by HON. LORNA P. BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN

Basiawan National High School – Malagsom Extension in Malita, Davao Occidental has for the past six years been an extension class. Started during the school year AY 2012-2013. This extension school is seated in a site donated by Mr. and Mrs. Renaldo S. Moda. It caters to Grade 7 to Grade 10 with a total population of 180 students. There is only one section per grade level, comprising four sections with seven teachers rendering service including the Teacher-in-Charge. It is predicted that in the coming years, the extension class could no longer accommodate the demands for higher education. Current student population includes Grade 7 to Grade 10 and if the trend continues, an average rate of 5% increase will start at AY 2020-2021 onwards.

This Bill seeks the establishment of Buhangin National High School through the conversion of the existing Basiawan National High School–Malagsom Extension. Objectives for the conversion of Basiawan National High School-Malagsom Extension to Buhangin National High School seeks to: provide opportunity to the proposed high school to act independently and maximize its educational services, show its capacity to exist and compete academically with other high schools, cope with the demand of students population in the suburbs, promote functional literacy among less privileged students in the locality or community particularly the indigenous peoples (IPs), develop skills of higher intellectual operations and maximize one’s potentials for employment opportunities, and render a lifetime and handful benefits of the receiving communities of the municipality.

Section 2 of Republic Act No. 9155 states that “The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality basic education and to make such education accessible to all by providing all Filipino children a free and compulsory education in the high school level.”

Topography of the Buhangin, Malita is generally mountainous with a total land area of 15,000 m² or 1.5 hectares. Site for the proposed national high school was donated by a resident in the area.

Due to the aforementioned reasons, approval of this Bill is earnestly sought

REP. LORNA P. BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN
AN ACT SEPARATING THE BASIAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – MALAGSOM EXTENSION IN BARANGAY BUHANGIN, MUNICIPALITY OF MALITA, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM THE BASIAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BUHANGIN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SEC. 1. The Basiawan National High School – Malagsom Extension in Barangay Buhangin, Municipality of Malita, Province of Davao Occidental is hereby separated from the Basiawan National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the Buhangin National High School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Basiawan National High School – Malagsom Extension are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Buhangin National High School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department’s program the operationalization of the Buhangin National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year’s appropriation of the Basiawan National High School – Malagsom Extension. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the approval of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,