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Introduced by REP. EVELINA G. ESCUDERO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Science High School in the Province of Sorsogon consistent with State policy to establish and maintain a system of free public science and technology education in the high school levels.

It is high time that the Province of Sorsogon must have its own science and technology high school to serve the needs of a growing student population in the province. With the establishment of said school, students coming from neighboring municipalities and provinces can converge for the purpose of finishing their high school course that is geared towards science and technology.

As center of scholarship for secondary education, the long-term benefits of the establishment of this kind of institution cannot be underestimated. Far-ranging opportunities for development in the ensuing years not only for the province of Sorsogon but the whole Bicol Region could be expected by developing the potentials and capabilities of our youth and students through quality education. This need not be seen as unnecessary investment but does in fact best compliment, adhering to the policy of the State to make quality science and technology education accessible to all.

Because parents and families give high premium to the education of their children, having a PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL-SORSOGON CAMPUS will be a dream come true.

Early approval of this Bill is, therefore, earnestly sought.

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AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL - SORSOGON CAMPUS IN THE PROVINCE OF SORSOGON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- SECTION 1. There shall be established the Philippine Science High School-Sorsogon Campus in the province of Sorsogon.
- SEC. 2. The Philippine Science High School- Sorsogon Campus shall be integrated into the Philippine Science High School System under Republic Act. No. 8496, otherwise known as the "Philippine Science High School (PSHS) System Act of 1977."
- The Philippine Science High School System, in coordination with the Department of Science and Technology and the Local Government Unit in the Province of Sorsogon is hereby tasked to supervise the establishment of the Philippine Science High School-Sorsogon Campus under this Act.
- SEC. 4. For the immediate implementation of this Act, the Local Government Unit of the province of Sorsogon, through a resolution approved by the public high school, an annex or extension campus of an existing public high school or any existing property devoted or to be devoted for use as a public school in Sorsogon to be converted into the Philippine Science High School-Sorsogon Campus. Upon the effectivity of the conversion, the ownership of the property shall be transferred from the Department of Education or the Local Government of Sorsogon to the Philippine Science High School System.
- The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be incorporated in the general appropriations act of the immediate proceeding fiscal year following its enactment into law and thereafter.
- This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its publication in the official gazette or in any two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,