

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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 4508



Introduced by Representative Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was previously filed as House Bill (H.B.) No. 1569 in the 16th Congress and as H.B. No. 1546 during the 17th Congress. Both bills were referred to the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

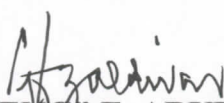
This bill aims to provide the youth of Barangay Panalingaan in the Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan, access to quality secondary education by converting the Candawaga National High School – Panalingaan Extension into a separate and distinct national high school from the Candawaga National High School, to be known as PANALINGAAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Candawaga National High School – Panalingaan Extension was established on June 2011. At present, Panalingaan Extension obtains its funding for operation; from its mother school, the Candawaga National High School. The continuous increase in the number of enrollees of Panalingaan 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 Panalingaan Extension and Candawaga National High School in terms of addressing the needs of its students.

The Panalingaan 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 Rizal, 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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AN ACT

**SEPARATING THE CANDAWAGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL –
PANALINGAAN EXTENSION IN BARANGAY PANALINGAAN,
MUNICIPALITY OF RIZAL, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN FROM THE
CANDAWAGA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN
INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS
PANALINGAAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The Candawaga National High School – Panalingaan Extension in
Barangay Panalingaan, Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan is hereby separated
from the Candawaga National High School and converted into an independent national high
school to be known as Panalingaan National High School.

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

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

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

Approved,