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HOUSE BILL NO. 5724



Introduced by **HON. JOSEPH "JOJO" L. LARA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish the existing Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex in Barangay Bagumbayan, Municipality of Tuao, Province of Cagayan and separate the same from the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School to be known as the Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School.

The Philippine Constitution states in Article 14, Sections 1 "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;" and Section 2 (a) "Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society."

The Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex presently has 707 enrolled students. The provision of funds directly to the school from the national government would address its growing needs like facilities, number of teachers, student books, instructional materials, and other important needs.

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


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AN ACT
SEPARATING THE ITAWES NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL
SCHOOL – BAGUMBAYAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY BAGUMBAYAN,
MUNICIPALITY OF TUAO, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN FROM THE ITAWES
NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT
INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL
HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BAGUMBAYAN NATIONAL
AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL 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 Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex in Barangay Bagumbayan, Municipality of Tuao, Province of Cagayan is hereby separated from the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School and converted in to an independent national agricultural and technical high school to be known as Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School.

SECTION 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

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

Approved,