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Introduced by **HON. GUS S. TAMBUNTING**

AN ACT

SEPARATING THE DON BOSCO HIGH SCHOOL (PARANAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - DON BOSCO EXTENSION) IN BARANGAY DON BOSCO, CITY OF PARANAQUE FROM THE PARANAQUE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS DON BOSCO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Conversion into a National High School.* The Don Bosco High School (Paranaque National High School - Don Bosco Extension) in Barangay Don Bosco, City of Paranaque is hereby separated from the Paranaque National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Don Bosco National High School.

SECTION 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Don Bosco High School (Paranaque National High School - Don Bosco Extension) are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Don Bosco National High School.

SECTION 3. *Appropriation.* The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Don Bosco National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the The Don Bosco High School (Paranaque National High School - Don Bosco Extension). Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

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

Approved,

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EXPLORATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the existing Don Bosco High School (Paranaque National High School - Don Bosco Extension) located in Barangay Don Bosco, City of Paranaque into an independent national high school to be known as the Don Bosco National High School.

The said school was established in 2013 in preparation for the implementation of the national government's K-12 program and catered to the students residing in Barangay Don Bosco who were previously enrolled in other high schools located Barangays Moonwalk and Sun Valley.

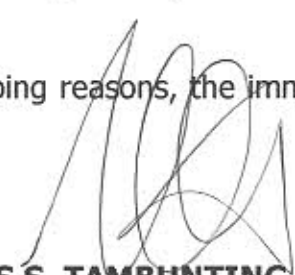
With Barangay Don Bosco having a projected population of 51,614, consisting of around 11,500 households in 2014 (according to the Local Government Unit of Paranaque website), the said school is one of fastest growing high schools in the City in terms of student population.

Funding support from the Local Government and other private entities have helped in terms of the physical improvement of the school but much more is needed in order to meet the growing school populace and student needs such as the increase in the number of teachers, books, computers, and other instructional and learning materials.

The increase and prioritization in the allotment of funds from the national government will greatly help to ensure that the growing needs of the school will be met and that the high standard of education be provided to our deserving students.

As The Philippine Constitution of 1987 Article 14, Sections 1 and 2 (1) states: 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 Establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

With that in mind and in view of the foregoing reasons, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.



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