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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Quezon City

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House Bill No. **3574**



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**Introduced by Honorable FREDERICK W. SIAO**

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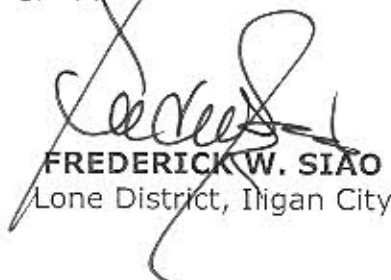
**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to separate the Iligan City National High School – Pala-o Annex (ICNHS – Pala-o Annex) situated in Barangay Pala-o, Iligan City, from its mother or administrative school, the Iligan City National High School (ICNHS) situated in Barangay Mahayhay, Iligan City, and converting it from an annex school into an independent national high school to be known as the Pala-o National High School (PNHS).

The passage of this proposed measure is intended to address the need for a more functional, independent and financially stable secondary school and to promote an accessible, affordable and quality education for all secondary students in the above-mentioned Barangay and its adjacent Barangays. Indeed, accessibility to quality and affordable education that extends to the poorest of the poor has been one of the national government's thrusts in eradicating poverty as it is henceforth provided by way of the passage of this bill.

This bill was approved by the House as substitute House Bill No. 6823 and was already transmitted to the Senate during the Fifteenth (15<sup>th</sup>) Congress and was refiled again as House Bill No. 2337 during the Sixteenth (16<sup>th</sup>) Congress.

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

  
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AN ACT  
SEPARATING THE ILIGAN CITY NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL —  
PALA-O ANNEX (ICNHS — PALA-O ANNEX) FROM ITS MOTHER OR  
ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL, THE ILIGAN CITY NATIONAL HTGH  
SCHOOL (ICNHS), AND CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT  
NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS THE PALA-O NATIONAL  
HIGH SCHOOL (PNHS) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

**Section 1. Separation and Conversion.** The Iligan City National High School — Pala-o Annex (ICNHS —Pala-o Annex) in Barangay Pala-o, Iligan City, is hereby separated from the Iligan City National High School (ICNHS) and converted into an independent national high school to be known as the Pala-o National High School (TNHS).

**Sec. 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.** All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Iligan City National High School — Pala-o Annex (ICNHS — Pala-o Annex) are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Pala-o National High School (PNHS).

**Sec. 3. Appropriations.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the program of the Department of Education (DepEd) the operationalization of the Pala-o National High School (PNHS), the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Iligan City National High School (ICNHS). Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**Sec. 4. Implementation.** The Secretary of Education shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

**Sec. 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,