

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

Eighteenth Congress  
First Regular Session

**HOUSE BILL NO. 4505**



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**Introduced by Representative Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg-Zaldivar**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill was previously filed as House Bill (H.B.) No. 1470 in the 16<sup>th</sup> Congress and as H.B. No. 1542 during the 17<sup>th</sup> Congress. Both bills were referred to the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

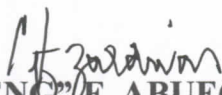
This bill seeks to convert the Aramaywan National High School – Burirao Annex located in Barangay Burirao, Municipality of Narra, Province of Palawan, into a separate and distinct national high school from the Aramaywan National High School, to be known as BURIRAO NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Aramaywan National High School – Burirao Annex presently obtains its funding for operations from its mother school, the Aramaywan National High School. The continuous increase in the number of enrollees of Burirao Annex 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 Burirao Annex and Aramaywan National High School in terms of addressing the needs of its students.

The Burirao Annex 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 Narra, 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 ARAMAYWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – BURIRAO ANNEX IN BARANGAY BURIRAO, MUNICIPALITY OF NARRA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN FROM THE ARAMAYWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS BURIRAO 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 Aramaywan National High School – Burirao Annex in Barangay Burirao, Municipality of Narra, Province of Palawan is hereby separated from the Aramaywan National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Burirao National High School.

**SEC. 2.** All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Aramaywan National High School – Burirao Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Burirao National High School.

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

1           **SEC. 4.** Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the approval of this Act, the  
2 Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the  
3 provisions of this Act.

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

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8           *Approved,*