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Introduced by Hon. Frederick F. Abueg

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was previously filed as House Bill No. 1467 in the 16th Congress and was referred to the House Committee on Basic Education and Culture.

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

The Sandoval National High School – Estrella Village Annex presently obtains its funding for operations from its mother school, the Sandoval National High School. 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 Estrella Village Annex and Sandoval National High School in terms of addressing the needs of its students.

The Estrella Village 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

CONVERTING THE SANDOVAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL – ESTRELLA VILLAGE ANNEX IN BARANGAY ESTRELLA VILLAGE, MUNICIPALITY OF NARRA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN, INTO A SEPARATE AND DISTINCT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL FROM THE SANDOVAL NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, TO BE KNOWN AS ESTRELLA VILLAGE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL 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 into a National High School.

The Sandoval National High School – Estrella Village Annex in Barangay

Estrella Village, Municipality of Narra, Province of Palawan, is hereby

converted into a separate and distinct national high school from the Sandoval

National High School, to be known as Estrella Village National High School.

SEC. 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. – All personnel, assets,

liabilities and records of the Sandoval National High School – Estrella Village

Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Estrella Village National

High School.

SEC. 3. Appropriations. – The funds necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the Estrella Village National High School shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 4. *Implementation.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,