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HOUSE BILL NO. 4295



Introduced by REP. ELEANOR C. BULUT-BEGTANG

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to separate the Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School (MBSNATHS)- Musimut Annex from the Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School Main Campus and convert it into an independent national high school, thus allow the school to exercise autonomy and flexibility in crafting programs appropriate to the needs of its students and its catchment areas and to undertake necessary improvements without the constraint and limitation imposed by a mother campus.

The (MBSNATHS)-Musimut Annex opened in SY2013-2014. Its current enrollment is 71 for SY2016-2017, while the Main Campus has 138 students. The distance between said campuses is 10 kilometers, with the Musimut Annex catering to students of Barangays Musimut, Kadikitan and Nagbabalayan.

In line with Republic Act No. 10533 or the Enhanced Basic Education Act of 2013, schools all over the country are mandated to provide full academic and skills training. However, the funds of this annex campus are very minimal as compared to the main campus on which it is heavily dependent, further limiting its capabilities.

Hence, this annex campus should be given more financial flexibility by having its own funds for operation. And to remedy this, given the readiness of the Annex School to chart a more independent operation, the approval of this measure is urgently sought.

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AN ACT SEPARATING THE MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL-MUSIMUT ANNEX AT BARANGAY MUSIMUT, MUNICIPALITY OF KABUGAO, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MAYOR BARTOLOME SERUT NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL AND TRADE HIGH SCHOOL-MAIN CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS MUSIMUT 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 Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School- Musimut Annex in Barangay Musimut, Municipality of Kabugao, Province of Apayao is hereby separated from the Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School-Main and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Musimut National High School.

Section 2. Transfer of Assets and Liabilities. All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School-Musimut Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by Musimut National High School.

Section 3.Appropriations. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Musimut National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current's year appropriation of the Mayor Bartolome Serut National Agricultural and Trade High School-Musimut Annex. 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 issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Section 5.Effectivity. This Act shall take effect 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved,