

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 1196



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**Introduced by: Rep. Gil "Kabarangay Jr." A. Acosta**

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**AN ACT SEPARATING THE INAGAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL-ANNEX IN SITIO TAGBARUNGIS, BARANGAY INAGAWAN-SUB, PUERTO PRINCESA CITY FROM THE INAGAWAN NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAGBARUNGIS NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill was filed in the Seventeenth Congress as House Bill No. 3777. It has been referred to the Committee on Basic Education and Culture on October 3, 2016. This bill seeks to convert the Inagawan National High School-Annex located in Sitio Tagbarungis, Barangay Inagawan-Sub, City of Puerto Princesa into an independent national high school to be known as Tagbarungis National High School.

Currently, the Inagawan National High School-Annex located in Sitio Tagbarungis, Barangay Inagawan, City of Puerto Princesa is operating under the auspices of its mother school which is the Inagawan National High School. Its funding requirement for its continuous operation is likewise provided by its mother unit. A former part of Iwahig Penal Farm reservation, Sitio Tagbarungis is a resettlement area for informal settlers and landless families from other barangays of Puerto Princesa, the weight of operating an annex provides tremendous challenges.

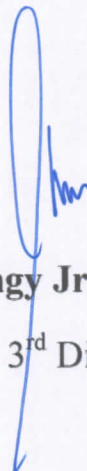
The constant increase of enrollees in both campuses ensures the effectivity of awareness campaigns to put all kids to school, plus the implementation of K-12

where additional two years of senior high school adds up to the challenges the school faces.

In order for the school to deliver its mandate and provide the basic education for all, a regular source of funds for every school year must be in place, thus, it can only be realized through the conversion of Inagawan National High School-Annex to Tagbarungis National High School which is distinct and separate from its mother unit, the Inagawan National High School.

To carry out the constitutionally protected rights on equal access to quality education, it is the mandate of the government to ensure that educational institutions are established to cater to the needs of the growing population.

As a mandated organ of the government to enact and approve laws, the approval of this measure is hereby earnestly sought.



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*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 Inagawan National High School-Annex located in Sitio Tagbarungis, Barangay Inagawan-Sub, City of Puerto Princesa, is hereby separated from the Inagawan National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Tagbarungis National High School.

Section 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Inagawan National High School-Annex in Sitio Tagbarungis, Barangay Inagawan-Sub are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Tagbarungis National High School.

Section 3. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department’s program the operationalization of the Tagbarungis National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year’s appropriations of the Inagawan National High School-Annex in Sitio Tagbarungis, Barangay Inagawan-Sub. 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 rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Section 5.*Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette*.

Approved.