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Introduced by Representative Salvador B. Belaro, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to require increased police visibility near our schools during class hours.

Of late, there were reports of escalation in crimes in schools or in their immediate vicinity. This is not a trivial matter, especially considering that most schools, especially public schools, do not have provision for security personnel.

Such a situation can be mitigated by requiring increased police visibility in the vicinity of schools to protect our young children.


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**AN ACT REQUIRING INCREASED POLICE VISIBILITY IN
SCHOOLS"**

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

SECTION 1. *Title.* - This Act shall be known as the "Increased Police Visibility in the Vicinity of Schools Act of 2016."

SECTION 2. *Declaration of Policy.* - It is the policy of the State to give priority to education as well as to recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and to promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being.

SECTION 3. Upon the effectivity of this Act, increased police visibility is hereby mandated in the vicinity of all schools in the country.

SECTION 4. The Department of Education (DepEd), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) are jointly mandated to formulate the implementing rules

and regulations of this Act, within Thirty (30) days from effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 5. *Separability Clause* — If any provision of this Act is held invalid, the other provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION. 6. *Repealing Clause*. — All laws, decrees or rules inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION. 7. *Effectivity*. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,