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House Bill No. **4316**



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Introduced by: Rep. Celso L. Lobregat

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to create the Patalon National High School, in Barangay Patalon, Zamboanga City.


Education is the basic foundation of a civilized society. In order for a society to flourish, this basic necessity must be provided for by those who govern it.

True enough, imbued in our Constitution is the guarantee of "a system of free education in the elementary and high school levels." Education should be accessible to all and should not be held in abeyance. Education is the ultimate solution to poverty.

Barangay Patalon has no existing secondary school with one feeder elementary school, which is the Patalon Elementary School. Patalon Elementary School produces more than one hundred (100) graduates every year. To pursue their secondary education, some of the grade 6 completers from Patalon Elementary enroll in Sinubung National High School which is located in Barangay Sinubung, more than three (3) kilometers away from Patalon Elementary School. Other grade 6 completers from Patalon Elementary School enroll in Ramon Enriquez Memorial High School located in Barangay Labuan which is approximately five (5) kilometers away from Patalon Elementary School.

To this end, the creation of Patalon National High School shall be a concrete act for the realization of this Constitutional guarantee, making education more accessible to the youth of Barangay Patalon.

It is in this light that the early approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

  
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**AN ACT SEEKING THE CREATION OF THE PATALON NATIONAL HIGH  
SCHOOL, IN BARANGAY PATALON, ZAMBOANGA CITY AND APPROPRIATING  
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

**SECTION 1.** There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay Patalon, Zamboanga City to be known as Patalon National High School.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary of Education shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations to carry out and implement the purposes of this Act.

**SECTION 3.** The appropriations required for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged against the budget of the Department of Education under the current General Appropriations Act (GAA). Thereafter, such sum as may be needed for the continued operation and maintenance of the school shall be incorporated in the annual GAA.

**SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

APPROVED,