



Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 6460



Introduced by Rep. Luisa Lloren Cuaresma
Lone District of Nueva Vizcaya

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a national high school in Barangay Sto. Domingo, Municipality of Bambang, Nueva Vizcaya to be known as the Sto. Domingo National High School.

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides:

*“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.”*

The importance of education to the socio-economic growth and development of the country cannot be overemphasized. The availability of and access to quality education are important for the socio-economic well-being of the people. The government must take appropriate steps to make such education affordable and accessible to all by establishing schools, learning centers, and related facilities.

Despite the ever-increasing number of incoming high school students in Barangay Sto. Domingo and the neighboring barangays of Manamtam, Sto. Domingo West, Abian and Vista Hills of Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya, there is no existing public high school offering public secondary education in the catchment area, thereby making other schools in nearby barangays congested. The nearest two national high schools are approximately ten to twelve kilometers away from Barangay Sto. Domingo.

Due to high travel costs, some indigent parents are unable to send their children to school. In effect, their children lose their chance to obtain a complete, adequate and integrated system of education.

The proposed measure will provide the students residing in Barangays Sto.Domingo, Manamtam, Sto. Domingo West, Abian and Vista Hills of Bayombong, Nueva Vizcaya, with full access to free secondary education compliant with basic education curriculum framework of the government's Enhanced Basic Educational Program (K-12 Program). Easier access to free quality education will open pathways of opportunity for the students and their families to improve their socio-economic status. It will also enable them to contribute significantly to their municipality and eventually to the country's welfare.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY STO. DOMINGO PROPER, MUNICIPALITY OF BAMBANG, PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA TO BE KNOWN AS STO. DOMINGO 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. *Short Title.* – There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay Sto. Domingo, Municipality of Bambang, Province of Nueva Vizcaya to be known as Sto. Domingo National High School.

Section 2. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Sto. Domingo National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 3. Within one hundred twenty days (120) from the approval of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the provisions of this Act.

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