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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Philippines is a nation with great potential in sports, as it is an integral element of our culture, and the Filipino youth show a promising future in the said field, however, there are currently not much government interventions or programs that provide for quality education in sports development.

This legislation seeks to create the Philippine Sports Academy that shall educate and serve as training ground for Filipino athletes. It shall provide the much-needed support to prepare our students for possible careers in the field of sports and improve the odds of our players in international sporting competitions, such as the SEA Games and the Olympics, by providing the platform for grassroots sports development designed to deliver sustainable state support. The Academy shall be an attached agency of the Philippine Sports Commission and shall grant degrees and train educators, coaches, trainers, sports managers, referees, umpires, community sports psychologists, sports medicine practitioners, etc. in different levels of specialization through academic degree and non-degree programs. Moreover, the Academy shall establish linkages with international academic institutions and organizations for the modernization and advancement of the Academy and its sports curriculum and programs.

The passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

1 **SECTION 1. Title.** - This Act shall be known as the "Philippine Sports Academy
2 Act of 2017".
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4 **SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy.** - It is hereby declared the national policy to
5 make available the highest possible quality of education and training in accord
6 with international standards of performance to the most talented athletes and
7 the greatest number of sports manpower, to the end that the individual total
8 development shall be ensured and that the discipline needed for competition and
9 the indomitable spirit to attain excellence in sports performance shall be
10 developed in Filipino athletes who compete in national and international games
11 or events.
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13 It is also declared the national policy to recognize the necessity of creating a
14 national institution with a nation-wide network for delivery of educational and
15 training services in order to carry out the declared national policy stated in the
16 preceding paragraph of this Section.
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18 **SEC. 3. Creation Objectives of the Academy.** - There is hereby created the
19 Philippine Sports Academy which shall be the lead agency to implement the
20 provisions of this Act, hereinafter referred to as the "Philippine Sports Academy".
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22 For purposes of general policy and program coordination, supervision and
23 direction, the Philippine Sports Academy shall be an attached agency of the
24 Philippine Sports Commission which was created pursuant to Republic Act No.
25 6847, and shall be hereinafter referred to as the "Commission".
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27 The Philippine Sports Academy shall have the following objectives:
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- 29 (a) To serve as the education and training arm of the Commission for the
30 development of athletes capable of winning gold and other medals and of
31 sports manpower;
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- 1 (b) To train and grant degrees, in coordination with the Department of
2 Education, educators in different levels of specialization through
3 academic degree programs;
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- 5 (c) To train and accredit coaches, trainers, sports managers, referees,
6 umpires, community sports psychologists, sports medicine practitioners,
7 through non-degree programs;
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- 9 (d) To conduct basic and applied research relevant to physical education and
10 sports;
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- 12 (e) To establish satellite regional training centers for sports education and
13 sports;
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- 15 (f) To enter into and engage in a consortium with public and private schools
16 offering degree and non-degree courses in physical education and sports;
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- 18 (g) To establish and maintain linkages with international academic institutions
19 and organizations for continuing upgrading of sports manpower and the
20 improvement of the academy and its sports curriculum and programs;
21 and
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- 23 (h) To perform such other functions and exercise such other powers
24 necessary to carry out the declare policy, the aforementioned objectives,
25 and the provisions of this Act.
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27 **SEC. 4. *Housing and Places of Activities.*** The Philippine Sports Academy
28 shall be housed at the Philippine Sports Commission located in Pasig, Metro
29 Manila.
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31 The activities of the Philippine Sports Academy pursuant to this Act may
32 be carried out in satellite regional training centers, in venues pursuant to a
33 consortium with public and private schools, or in such other places as the
34 Philippine Sports Academy shall decide in order to implement this Act.
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36 **SEC. 5. *Board of Trustees.*** The administration, operations, and management
37 of the National Academy shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, hereinafter
38 referred to as the Board, and shall be composed of the following:
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- 40 (1) The Commission Chairman as "ex officio" chairman of the board;
41 (2) One (1) representing the Department of Education, Undersecretary
42 rank, who shall be ex-officio Vice Chairman;
43 (3) One (1) representing the academe in sports education and training;
44 (4) One (1) representing the National Sports Association with a
45 specialization in education and training of sports manpower;
46 (5) The Executive Director of the Philippine Sports Academy as ex-officio
47 member;
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49 The representatives of the academe and of the Philippine Sports
50 Commission shall be appointed by the President for a term of three (3) years or
51 shall serve until their successor shall be duly appointed and qualified.
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53 The Chairman, Vice Chairman, and Members of the Board of Trustees
54 shall receive allowances of not less than One thousand pesos (P1,000.00) for

1 every official meeting of the Board actual attended or activity to transact official
2 business, of the Philippine Sports Academy; but in no case more than Fifteen
3 thousand pesos (P15,000.00) each per annum.
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5 **SEC. 6. Powers and Functions of the Board.** The Board of Trustees shall
6 exercise and perform the following powers and functions:
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8 (a) To provide for the planning, implementation and evaluation of a
9 curricula leading to the following degrees and specializations in
10 Physical Education as required qualification for teaching in the
11 elementary, secondary and tertiary schools or institution or as required
12 of a supervisory position:

- 13 (1) Bachelor of Science in Education, Major in Physical Education;
- 14 (2) Bachelor of Science in Physical Education;
- 15 (3) Bachelor of Physical Education;
- 16 (4) Bachelor of Science in Physical Education, Health and Music;
- 17 (5) Master of Arts in Physical Education; and
- 18 (6) Courses offering certificates such as Certificate in Physical
19 Education, or Proficiency in Sports Coaching; and

20 (b) To formulate and implement a material development program which
21 shall directly manage, maintain, preserve, and gather data or
22 information for the following facilities:

- 23 (1) Sports Medicine laboratory;
- 24 (2) Sports Museum;
- 25 (3) Sports Library; or
- 26 (4) Sports Bank

27 (c) To provide for the training and accreditation of sports manpower such
28 as, but not limited to the following:

- 29 (1) Coaches;
- 30 (2) Sports medicine practitioners;
- 31 (3) Sports officiating officials;
- 32 (4) Sports managers;
- 33 (5) Community Sports leaders; or
- 34 (6) Business Sports Coordinators

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36 And to extend assistance, whenever possible utilizing in resources in the
37 conduct of athletic training, international exchange program and sports distance
38 study program
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40 (d) To provide opportunities for potential athletes to attain certificates,
41 diplomas or degrees of completion in the elementary, high school and
42 college education;

43 (e) To appoint professors, instructors, lecturers and other employees of
44 the Academy to fix their compensation, hours of service, and such
45 other duties and conditions as it may deem proper, to grant them of
46 its discretion leave of absence under such regulations as it may
47 promulgate, and to remove them for cause after an investigation and
48 hearing shall have been had:

49 (f) To receive in trust legacies, gifts and donations of teal and personal
50 property of all kinds and administer the same for the benefit of the
51 Academy, or of a department thereof, or for aid to any student athlete
52 in accordance with the directions or instructions of the donor and, in
53 default thereof, in such a manner as the Board may at its discretion
54 determine; and

1 (g) To prescribe rules for its governance, and to enact such ordinances
2 and regulations, not contrary to law, as are consistent with the
3 purposes of the Academy as defined in this Act.
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5 **SEC. 7. Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director.** There shall be
6 an Executive Director who shall be appointed by the Board of Trustees,
7 preferably from among the Commissioners of the Commission. He shall be
8 assisted by a Deputy Executive Director, one (1). Assistant Director for
9 Administration and Finance, and a Dean for Academic Affairs. The Executive
10 Director shall act as the Chief Executive Officer of the Philippine Sports Academy
11 and shall have a rank equivalent to that of the president of State college or
12 university in the Philippines.
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14 The Executive Director and Deputy Executive Director must be citizens of
15 the Philippines, at least thirty-five (35) years of age, of good moral character,
16 with at least three (3) years experience in educational administration, or in
17 teaching of sports development with professional rank.
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19 The Assistant Director for Administration and Finance must be a Filipino,
20 at least thirty (30 years old), of good moral character, a holder of Master's
21 degree in business or public administration, or a certified public accountant, is a
22 civil service eligible, and with at least one (1) year experience in any academic
23 institution.
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25 The Dean for Academic Affairs must be a Filipino, at least thirty (30) years
26 old, of good moral character, a civil service eligible, with at least three (3) years
27 experience in educational administration or an associate professor rank in sports
28 development.
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30 **SEC. 8. Funding.** There is hereby authorized to be appropriated for the
31 implementation of this Act by the Philippine Sports Academy the amount of Five
32 million pesos (P5,000,000.00) for the initial operations and projects of the
33 Philippine Sports Academy as an attached agency of the Commission. Thereafter,
34 such amount needed to implement this Act shall be included in the Annual
35 Appropriations Act of the Commission for the implementation of this Act and
36 earmarked for the operations of the Philippine Sports Academy.
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38 **SEC. 9. Separability Clause.** If any provisions of this Act or the
39 application of such provision to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the
40 remainder if this Act or the application of such provision to other persons or
41 circumstances shall not be affected thereby.
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43 **SEC. 10. Repealing Clause.** All laws, rules or orders inconsistent with
44 the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed.
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46 **SEC. 11. Effectivity.** This Act shall take effect upon completion of its
47 publication in at least one (1) national newspaper of general circulation.
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