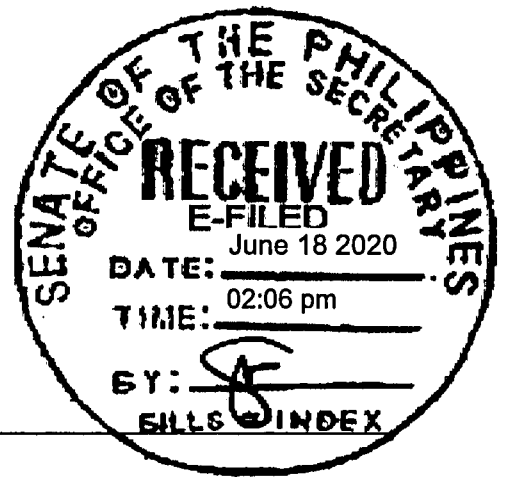


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall give priority to education. The Constitution further declares that 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. Thus, the establishment, maintenance and support of a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society is a priority of the State.

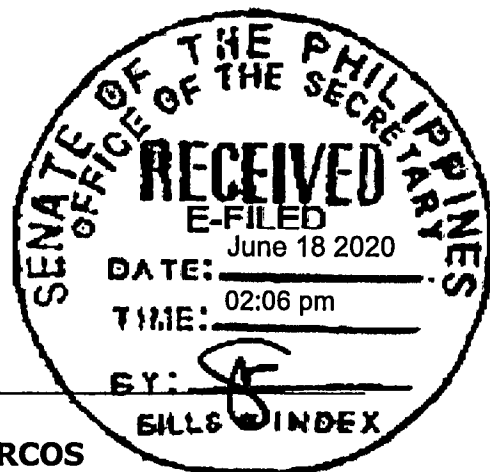
Education should be more inclusive, especially to those children with special needs. The State should devise policies that will help establish special education centers to cater to the needs of children with special needs. It is a known fact that educating children with special need require greater commitment and special expertise. Thus, it is imperative that children with special needs be afforded with specialized education that is responsive to their specific developmental needs.

To make education more inclusive, this bill proposes to establish a special education (SPED) center in the City of Pasig to be attached to the Pasig Elementary School to cater to the need of children with special needs. The SPED Center will be able to support children with special needs and ensure that education is made accessible to all.

In view of the foregoing, this representation earnestly seeks your support for the approval of this bill.


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

1 Section 1. There is hereby established a special education center in Pasig City,
2 which shall be attached to the Pasig Elementary School in Barangay San Nicolas, Pasig
3 City, Metro Manila to be known as Pasig City Special Education (SPED) Center.
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5 Section 2. The Pasig City Special Education (SPED) Center shall be designed to
6 meet the unique needs of individual children and youth with special needs, which may
7 necessitate the use of supplementary aids and services and teaching strategies in
8 classroom and non-academic settings and includes instructions on physical and
9 vocational education, social skills development and travel training.
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11 Section 3. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall prescribe the school
12 curriculum of the Pasig City Special Education (SPED) Center. The SPED Center
13 curriculum shall be based on the standard DepEd methods, strategies, and lessons
14 intended for children with special needs.
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16 Section 4. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the
17 Department's program the operationalization of the Pasig City Special Education
18 (SPED) Center, the funding of which shall be included in the DepEd budget for the
19 Pasig Elementary School in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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21 Section 5. Within one hundred twenty days (120) from the approval of this Act,
22 the Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations implementing the
23 provisions of this Act.
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25 Section 6. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, or other issuances
26 or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or
27 modified accordingly.
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1 Section 7. If any portion or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional,
2 the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force
3 and effect.

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5 Section 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
6 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,