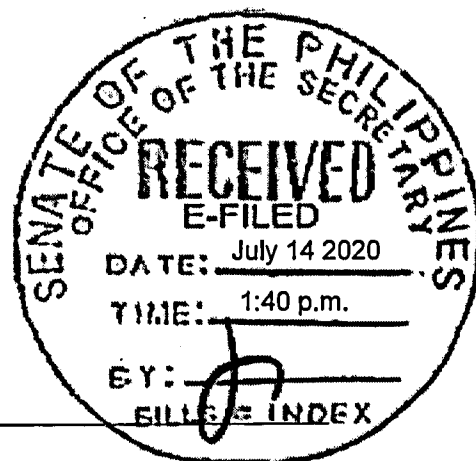


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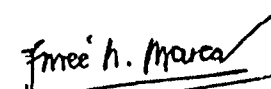
**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Education is a human right, this is enshrined in Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution, which states 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. Furthermore, Article II, Section 17 states that the State shall give priority to education.

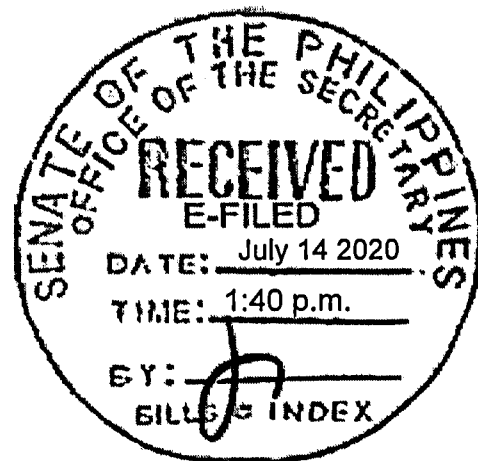
Pursuant to the aforementioned constitutional mandate, this bill proposes to separate the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex in Barangay Bagumbayan, Municipality of Tuao, Province of Cagayan from the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School and convert it into an independent national agricultural and technical high school to be known as Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School. The conversion of which would ensure that quality education is made accessible to all.

Thus, it is imperative that the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School – Bagumbayan Annex be separated and converted into an independent national high school. This way, the school may be able to receive direct funds from the national government to address the growing needs of a national high school and ensure that the youth of Cagayan is provided with accessible and quality education.

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.** The Itawes National Agricultural and Technical School –  
2 Bagumbayan Annex in Barangay Bagumbayan, Municipality of Tuao, Province of  
3 Cagayan is hereby separated from the Itawes National Agricultural and Technical  
4 School and converted into an independent national agricultural and technical high  
5 school to be known as Bagumbayan National Agricultural and Technical High School.

6        **Sec. 2.** All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Bayabat National High  
7 School – La Suerte Extension are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the La Suerte  
8 National High School.

9        **Sec. 3.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the  
10 Department's program the operationalization of the La Suerte National High School,  
11 the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of  
12 the Bayabat National High School – La Suerte Extension. Thereafter, the amount

1 necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual  
2 General Appropriations Act.

3       **Sec. 4.** The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations  
4 implementing the provisions of this Act.

5       **Sec. 5.** All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, or other issuances or  
6 parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or  
7 modified accordingly.

8       **Sec. 6.** If any portion or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional, the  
9 remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and  
10 effect.

11       **Sec. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two  
12 (2) newspapers of general circulation.

*Approved,*