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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 1 of the Constitution 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."

Education is a fundamental right of every Filipino. However, due to infrastructure barriers, some children are not able to attain basic education. Children residing in farflung areas do not have access to educational institutions where they can pursue learning.

Hence, this bill seeks to convert Balluay Elementary School into an integrated school in Barangay Balluay, Municipality of Sablan, Province of Benguet, which shall be known as the Balluay Integrated School. This shall provide elementary and secondary education in the area. Further, it is intended to serve not only the children residing in Barangay Balluay but also those from adjacent and nearby barangays.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this bill is respectfully sought.

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

**SECTION 1.** The Balluay Elementary School in Barangay Balluay, Municipality of Sablan, Province of Benguet is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as Balluay Integrated School.

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  - **SEC. 2.** All personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of the Balluay Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Balluay Integrated School.
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8 **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the 9 Department's program the operationalization of the Balluay Integrated School, the 10 funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

sEC. 4. The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations
implementing the provisions of this Act within one hundred twenty (120) days after its
effectivity.

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- 16 **SEC. 5.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the 17 Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,