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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The State, as mandated by Article II, Section 17 of the 1987 Constitution, prioritizes sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development.

Although we have a number of promising Filipino athletes, a major challenge in nurturing their potentials of becoming world champions is the lack of access to and insufficient, if not the absence of, decent facilities as their ground for training and development.

Research has shown that viable environment and standard sports facilities have a positive correlation not only to an improved performance of the athletes, but also with effective promotion of sports. It is likewise undisputed that such standard sports facilities deter the likelihood of occurrence of injuries.

This bill seeks to expand the Government's support to our athletes on the grassroots, particularly in the Province of Sarangani and other provinces in the SOCCSKARGEN Region, by creating the Sarangani Sports Training Center as a proper and equipped venue in training and molding the athletes in their fullest potentials in sports.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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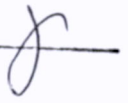
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

1 **Section 1.** There shall be established in the municipality of Alabel, Province of Sarangani, a  
2 sports training center to be known as the "Sarangani Sports Training Center," which shall be  
3 constituted as the primary sports development and training center for the Province of Sarangani.  
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5 **Section 2.** The Provincial Government of Sarangani and the Municipal Government of  
6 Alabel, in coordination with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), shall take the necessary  
7 steps to upgrade, improve, and modernize existing facilities, equipment and personnel and  
8 integrate them into the newly created sports training center.  
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10 The Provincial Government of Sarangani and the Municipal Government of Alabel, in  
11 coordination with the PSC, shall create the necessary training programs, appropriate tournaments  
12 and competitions, as well as the system by which the facilities shall be maintained and managed  
13 in order to accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Act.  
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15 **Section 3.** The construction, establishment and operation of the Sarangani Sports  
16 Training Center shall be funded by the Provincial Government of Sarangani and the Municipal  
17 Government of Alabel, and such funds as may be granted by the PSC and by the Office of the  
18 President. In addition, grants and endowments may be obtained from local or foreign sources  
19 intended for sports development.  
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21 **Section 4.** The Chairman of the PSC shall immediately include in the Commission's  
22 program the necessary funding requirements of the Sarangani Sports Training Center.  
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24 **Section 5.** The PSC, in coordination with the Provincial Government of Sarangani, the  
25 Municipal Government of Alabel, and other concerned stockholders, shall promulgate the  
26 necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act within ninety (90) days after  
27 its enactment into law.  
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1           **Sec. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) national  
2 newspapers of general circulation. The publication shall not be later than seven (7) days after the  
3 approval hereof.  
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