This legislation seeks to rename the Central Azucarera de Tarlac High School - Main in Tarlac City into Benigno S. Aquino III High School.

Pursuant to the Department of Education Order No. 40, series of 2014 on the “Establishment, Merging, Conversion, Naming/Renaming of Public Schools”, all public schools may be named or renamed by the President, through a proclamation or by Congress through legislation.

Benigno S. Aquino III, popularly known as Noynoy or PNoy was an economist and public servant. He was the only son of the democracy icons, former president Corazon Aquino and former senator Benigno “Ninoy” Aquino. His commitment to serve the country and continue the legacy of his parents were evident as he served as a Congressman for the Province of Tarlac from 1998 to 2007, a Senator from 2007 to 2010, placing 6th in the national elections and eventually as the 15th President of the Republic of the Philippines from 2010 to 2016.

PNoy’s term as president was marked by stable and growing economy. During his time, the Philippines was known as a Rising Tiger due to the country’s rapid economic expansion. Pnoy stood for Filipinos’ reinvigorated passion to build a nation of justice, peace, and inclusive progress.

In recognition of his immense contributions and selfless service to Filipinos, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

VICTOR A. YAP
Representative, 2nd District of Tarlac
AN ACT
RENAMING THE CENTRAL AZUCARERA DE TARLAC HIGH SCHOOL - MAIN IN BARANGAY CENTRAL, TARLAC CITY, TO BENIGNO S. AQUINO III HIGH SCHOOL

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

SECTION 1. Renaming. The Central Azucarera de Tarlac High School - Main in Barangay Central, Tarlac City is hereby renamed to “Benigno S. Aquino III High School”, in honor of the late President Benigno “PNoy” S. Aquino III, former President of the Republic of the Philippines, whose kindness, generosity and lasting legacy paved the way for the improvement of the Philippines.

SEC. 2. Reference to the old name in the school signage. The old name, “Central Azucarera de Tarlac High School - Main” which has been sanctified by usage by the residents of the community, shall be placed underneath the new “Benigno S. Aquino III High School” in the school signage as follows:

BENIGNO S. AQUINO III HIGH SCHOOL
(Formerly Central Azucarera de Tarlac High School - Main)

SEC. 3. Repealing Clause. The provisions of existing ordinances and resolutions, Local Executive Orders, rules and regulations which are inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, superseded and modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. Applicability Clause. All other matters not specifically provided in this act shall be governed by the provisions of existing and applicable laws and ordinances.

SEC. 5. Separability Clause. If for any reason, any section or provision of this act is declared illegal or unconstitutional, other sections or provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 6. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in any local newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,