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Introduced by Hon. Antonio B. Legarda Jr.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Education is a right and not a privilege. To this end, Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution provides 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, we should strive to ensure that every child in the country would have access to quality education.

This bill seeks to convert the Hininga-an Elementary School in Barangay Hininga-an, Municipality of Caluya in the Province of Antique to be known as the Hininga-an Integrated School to ensure that school children of Barangay Hininga-an and neighboring barangays will have access to quality primary and secondary education without having to travel too far from their neighborhood.

In line with the policy adopted by its original proponent Senator Loren Legarda, this bill therefore serves as a counter-part measure. It is for the reason stated above that the passage of this measure is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. The Hininga-an Elementary School in Barangay Hininga-an, Municipality of Caluya, Province of Antique is hereby converted into an integrated school to be known as the Hininga-an Integrated School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities, and records of the Hininga-an Elementary School are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Hininga-an Integrated School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Hininga-an Integrated School, 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.

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

Approved,