

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**HOUSE BILL NO. 8594**



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**Introduced by REPRESENTATIVE MANUEL JOSE M. DALIPE**

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**AN ACT**  
**ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL IN BARANGAY TIGTABON,**  
**ZAMBOANGA CITY TO BE KNOWN AS TIGTABON NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND**  
**APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**


**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the rights of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take necessary and appropriate steps to make education accessible to all. Likewise, the State is also mandated to establish a system of free education in the elementary and high school levels.

This bill proposes to create Tigtabon National High School in Barangay Tigtabon Zamboanga City. Barangay Tigtabon has only elementary schools which provides basic education to more than one thousand (1,000) pupils who are predominantly Tausugs. Others are Samals and Visayans. The establishment of Tigtabon National High School will benefit the elementary graduates from Barangay Tigtabon in the Second District of Zamboanga City. In order to pursue secondary education, these students travel to the nearest existing high school in Barangays Arena Blanco, Talon-Talon and Mampang.

This measure aims to achieve the constitutional guarantee, giving Zamboanguenos education more accessible and at the same time decongesting the overpopulated national high school in the abovementioned barangays.

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

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

**SECTION 1.** There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Education, a national high school in Barangay Tigtabon, Zamboanga City to be known as Tigtabon National High School.

**SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of Tigtabon National High School, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

**SEC. 4:** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,