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H. No. 5947

BY REPRESENTATIVES DUAVIT, DE GUZMAN, CERILLES, DANGWA, SILVERIO, NICOLAS, GONZALES (N.), AGBAYANI, VELARDE AND ROMULO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1770

AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISOR AS HEAD OF THE SCHOOLS DISTRICT, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9155, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GOVERNANCE OF BASIC EDUCATION ACT OF 2001"

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

SECTION 1. Section 2 of Republic Act No. 9155, otherwise known as
the "Governance of Basic Education Act of 2001", is hereby amended to read
as follows:

"Sec. 2. Declaration of Policy. - x x x

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"Governance of basic education shall begin at the national level. It is at the regions, divisions, DISTRICTS, schools and learning centers - herein referred to as the field offices - where the policy and principle for the governance of basic education shall be

1	translated into programs, projects and services developed, adapted
2	and offered to fit local needs.
3	"x x x."
4	SEC. 2. Section 3 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read
5	as follows:
6	"SEC. 3. Purposes and Objectives The purposes and
7	objectives of this Act are:
8	"x x x
9	"(b) To define the roles, [and] responsibilities AND
10	ACCOUNTABILITIES of, and provide resources to, the field offices
11	which shall implement educational programs, projects and services
12	in communities they serve;
13	"x x x."
14	SEC. 3. Section 4 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read
15	as follows:
16	"SEC. 4. Definition of Terms. $-x \times x$
17	"x x x
18	"(c) Cluster of Schools - is a group of schools IN A
19	DISTRICT which are geographically contiguous and brought
20	together to improve the learning outcomes;
21	"x x x."
22	SEC. 4. Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read
23	as follows:
24	"SEC. 5. Principles of Shared Governance x x x
25	"x x x
26	"(b) The process of democratic consultation shall be
27	observed in the decision-making process at appropriate levels.
28	Feedback mechanisms shall be established to ensure coordination

1	and open communication of the central office with the regional,
2	division, DISTRICT and school levels;
3	"x x x."
4	SEC. 5. Section 7 of Republic Act No. 9155 is hereby amended to read
5	as follows:
6	"SEC. 7. Powers, Duties and Functions. $-x \times x$
7	"x x x
8	"D. Schools District Level
9	"SCHOOLS DISTRICT SHALL CONSIST OF DIFFERENT
10	SCHOOLS LOCATED IN A MUNICIPALITY OR CITY, WHICH SHALL
11	HAVE A SCHOOLS DISTRICT SUPERVISOR AND AN OFFICE STAFF
12	FOR PROGRAM PROMOTION.
13	"Upon the recommendation of the schools division
14	superintendents, the regional director may establish additional
15	schools district within a schools division. Schools districts already
16	existing at the time of the passage of this law shall be maintained.
17	[A schools district shall have a schools district supervisor and an
18	office staff for program promotion.]
19	"The schools district supervisor shall [be responsible for]:
20	"(1) [Providing] PROVIDE professional and instructional
21	advice and support to the school heads and teachers/facilitators of
22	schools and learning centers in the district or cluster thereof;
23	"(2) [Curricula supervision; and] SUPPORT THE
24	IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CURRICULUM AND OTHER ACADEMIC-
25	RELATED PROGRAMS PRESCRIBED BY THE DEPARTMENT;
26	"(3) PROVIDE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SCHOOL
27	HEADS TO SUPPORT COMPLIANCE TO VARIOUS ADMINISTRATIVE
28	RESPONSIBILITIES;

1	"(4) MONITOR THE FORMULATION OF SCHOOL
2	IMPROVEMENT PLANS AND CONSOLIDATE FUNDING
3	REQUIREMENTS OF PRORGAMS AND PROJECTS TO BE PRESENTED
4	TO THE MUNICIPAL SCHOOL BOARD;
5	"(5) Undertake advocacy work directed at
6	ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) AND
7	NONGOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS (NGOs) TO IMPLEMENT
8	ALTERNATIVE LEARNING SYSTEM (ALS) AND ALTERNATIVE
9	DELIVERY MODE (ADM), ADOPT-A-SCHOOL, LIBRARY HUB AND
10	OTHER PROGRAMS THAT SEEK PRIVATE PARTICIPATION AND
11	SUPPORT; AND
12	"[(3)] (6) Perform[ing] such other functions as may be
13	assigned by proper authorities.
14	"x x x."
15	SEC. 6. Separability Clause If any provision of this Act is declared
16	unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the
17	other provisions hereof.
18	SEC. 7. Repealing Clause All executive orders, laws and department
19	orders and parts thereof contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this
20	Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
21	SEC. 8. Effectivity Clause This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
22	after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of
23	general circulation.