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FORTUNO, BARBA, GUICO, AMATONG, UMALI (M.V.), GO (M.), DIMAPORO (A.), BASCUG AND  
TUTOR, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1443

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AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING A SPORTS ACADEMY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF  
DIMASALANG, PROVINCE OF MASBATE TO BE KNOWN AS MASBATE SPORTS  
ACADEMY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1           **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** – This Act shall be known as the “Masbate Academy of  
2 Sports for High School Students Act.”  
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4           **SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** – It is the declared policy of the State to promote the  
5 sustained development of young Filipinos whose skills in the field of sports shall be encouraged  
6 and honed through education and specialized training programs. To this end, the State shall  
7 establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education and  
8 training to advance the athletic talents and skills among the youth and promote the growth and  
9 development of young athletes nationwide.  
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11           **SEC. 3. *Establishment.*** – There is hereby established a sports academy for high school  
12 in the Municipality of Dimasalang, Province of Masbate, to be known as the Masbate Sports  
13 Academy.  
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15           The Masbate Sports Academy shall be administered by the Department of Education  
16 (DepEd), in coordination with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), for policy and  
17 program formulation and implementation.  
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19           **SEC. 4. *Purpose.*** – The Masbate Sports Academy shall offer secondary education  
20 purposely to develop the athletic skills and talents of high school students with considerable  
21 potential in sports in the Province of Masbate. The school curriculum shall place significant  
22 emphasis on developing the athletic skills of the students through subjects pertaining to  
23 physical education and sports.  
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25           **SEC. 5. *Powers and Functions.*** – The Masbate Sports Academy shall exercise the  
26 following powers and functions:  
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- 28           (a) Formulate and implement policies, plans, and programs that shall promote the  
29 development and harness the potential of high school students;

- 1 (b) Provide an integrated curriculum framework in order to optimize the potential of  
2 its students;  
3 (c) Establish sports programs and school facilities;  
4 (d) Promote strategic partnerships and alliances with local and international sports  
5 organizations and educational training institutions to enhance the competitiveness  
6 of students and personnel;  
7 (e) Develop plans and programs that shall enhance the career advancement  
8 opportunities of school personnel;  
9 (f) Establish guidelines for public-private partnerships in the implementation of  
10 sports programs of the school; and  
11 (g) Perform such other functions as may be required to implement the objectives of  
12 this Act.  
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14 **SEC. 6. *School Director.*** – The Masbate Sports Academy shall be headed by a School  
15 Director who shall be responsible for the administration and operation of the school.  
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17 The School Director shall be assisted by an Assistant Director for Internal Affairs and  
18 an Assistant Director for External Affairs.  
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20 **SEC. 7. *Sectoral and Industry Task Forces.*** – The Masbate Sports Academy may  
21 create sectoral and industry task forces, technical working groups, advisory bodies or  
22 committees for the furtherance of its objectives.  
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24 The members of the sectoral and industry task forces may come from the agencies of  
25 the national government, government-owned and-controlled corporations, local government  
26 units, the academe, civil society organizations, sports organizations, and sports-related  
27 industrial organizations. The manner of selection of such members shall be provided under the  
28 rules and regulations to be formulated to implement the provisions of this Act.  
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30 **SEC. 8. *Appropriations.*** – The amount necessary for the effective implementation of  
31 this Act shall be included in the DepEd budget in the annual General Appropriations Act.  
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33 **SEC. 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – Within ninety (90) days after the  
34 effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Education shall, in consultation with the Chairperson of  
35 the PSC and other concerned agencies of the government, promulgate the rules and regulations  
36 implementing the provisions of this Act.  
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38 **SEC. 10. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act is held invalid or  
39 unconstitutional, the other provisions not so declared shall remain in force and effect.  
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41 **SEC. 11. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, orders and rules and regulations  
42 contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended  
43 accordingly.  
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45 **SEC. 12. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication  
46 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,