

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10989, March 14, 2018 ]**

**AN ACT SEPARATING THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL - CACALAGGAN ANNEX IN BARANGAY CACALAGGAN, MUNICIPALITY OF PUDTOL, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE MATAGUISI COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS TAWIT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The Mataguisi Comprehensive National High School - Cacalaggan Annex in Barangay Cacalaggan, Municipality of Pudtol, Province of Apayao is hereby separated from the Mataguisi Comprehensive National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Tawit National High School.

SEC. 2. All personnel, assets, liabilities., and records of the Mataguisi Comprehensive National High School - Cacalaggan Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Tawit National High School.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Tawit National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the Mataguisi Comprehensive National High School - Cacalaggan Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. The Secretary of Education shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purpose 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,

(SGD.) **AQUILINO "KOKO"**  
**PIMENTEL III**  
*President of the Senate*

(SGD.) **PANTALEON D. ALVAREZ**  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives*

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on August 14, 2017 and December 11, 2017, respectively.