

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10720, December 29, 2015 ]**

**AN ACT SEPARATING THE STA. MARCELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL–CONSUELO ANNEX IN BARANGAY CONSUELO, MUNICIPALITY OF STA. MARCELA, PROVINCE OF APAYAO FROM THE STA. MARCELA NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL, CONVERTING IT INTO AN INDEPENDENT NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL TO BE KNOWN AS CONSUELO 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. *Separation and Conversion into a National High School.* – The Sta. Marcela National High School – Consuelo Annex in Barangay Consuelo, Municipality of Sta. Marcela, Province of Apayao is hereby separated from the Sta. Marcela National High School and converted into an independent national high school to be known as Consuelo National High School.

SEC. 2. *Transfer of Assets and Liabilities.* – All personnel, assets, liabilities and records of the Sta. Marcela National High School – Consuelo Annex are hereby transferred to and absorbed by the Consuelo National High School.

SEC. 3. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the Department’s program the operationalization of the Consuelo National High School, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year’s appropriation of the Sta. Marcela National High School – Consuelo Annex. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the school shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. *Implementation.* – The Secretary of Education shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette*.

Approved,

**(SGD.) FRANKLIN M. DRILON**  
*President of the Senate*

**(SGD.) FELICIANO BELMONTE JR.**  
*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 March 10, 2014 and October 6, 2015, respectively.