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### AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE HIGH SCHOOL FOR SPORTS 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.* – There is hereby established a high school to  
2 be known as the “Philippine High School for Sports (PHSS) Act of 2011”.

3           SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is hereby declared the policy of the  
4 State to recognize the vital role of the youth in nation-building and to promote  
5 and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual and social well-being. It  
6 shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their  
7 involvement in public and civic affairs. Likewise, the State shall give priority  
8 to education, science and technology, arts, culture and sports to foster total  
9 human liberation and development.

1           SEC. 3. *Scope and Purpose.* – The PHSS shall offer, on a scholarship  
2 basis, a secondary course with special emphasis on developing the athletic  
3 skills of the students through subjects pertaining to physical education and  
4 sports development, thereby enabling the students to gain their secondary  
5 education while ensuring opportunities for their participation in sports  
6 competitions.

7           SEC. 4. *Board of Trustees, Composition, Compensation and Term of*  
8 *Office.* – The exercise of the powers of the PHSS is hereby vested in a Board  
9 of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the Board.

10          The Board shall be composed of the following:

11          (a) The Secretary of the Department of Education, who shall be the *ex*  
12 *officio* Chairperson of the Board;

13          (b) The Executive Director of the PHSS, who shall be the *ex officio* Vice  
14 Chairperson;

15          (c) Three (3) representatives from accredited sports associations or  
16 societies or the private sector, to be appointed by the President of the Republic  
17 of the Philippines;

18          (d) One (1) representative from the Senate, to be designated by the  
19 Senate President; and

20          (e) One (1) representative from the House of Representatives, to be  
21 designated by the Speaker.

22          The Secretary of the Department of Education, in his absence, shall  
23 designate any of his Undersecretaries to serve as Acting Chairperson.

24          All the members of the Board who are not receiving regular  
25 compensation from the government shall be entitled to *per diem* for every  
26 meeting called by the Board at rates approved by the Department of Budget  
27 and Management.

1           The members of the Board coming from the accredited sports  
2 associations or societies or the private sector shall serve for eight (8) years  
3 covering two (2) Olympic Games without any reappointment. The first batch of  
4 the members of the Board shall end their term after the second Olympic  
5 Games.

6           SEC. 5. *Powers and Duties of the Board.* -- The Board shall exercise  
7 for the PHSS the following powers and duties:

8           (a) Formulate a National Plan of Action for the implementation of this  
9 Act;

10          (b) Formulate policies on appointment, promotion, retention, removal,  
11 renewal, rewards and incentives for administrators, faculty and staff;

12          (c) Determine the site of the PHSS, including the regional sites for later  
13 expansion;

14          (d) Approve appointments made and contracts entered into by the  
15 Executive Director in connection with, but not limited to, the employment of  
16 teaching and non-teaching personnel of the PHSS, subject to the rules and  
17 regulations of the provisions of Section 12 of this Act;

18          (e) Fix compensation and other conditions of employment in accordance  
19 with the Salary Standardization Law;

20          (f) Review and approve contracts entered into under Republic Act  
21 No. 8525 (Adopt-a-School Act of 1998);

22          (g) Approve the curricula, course of study and rules of discipline drawn  
23 up by the Executive Council as provided in Section 8 of this Act;

24          (h) Approve the grant of scholarship, stipend and such allowances for  
25 students;

26          (i) Approve the budget and appropriate sums as may be provided by  
27 law for the support of the PHSS;

28          (j) Provide fellowship grants for faculty members;

1 (k) Approve the issuance of certificates of diplomas to successful  
2 candidates for graduation;

3 (l) Prescribe for the administration of the PHSS such general rules and  
4 regulations, not contrary to law, as are consistent with the purpose of the  
5 PHSS, as defined in Section 3 of this Act;

6 (m) Receive in trusts, legacies, gifts and donations of real and personal  
7 property and administer these for the benefit of the PHSS or as an aid to any of  
8 its students;

9 (n) Establish the criteria for the selection and admission of students  
10 which shall include, among others, examinations, national competitive  
11 screenings and tryouts;

12 (o) Purchase, receive, take or hold such real and personal property as the  
13 transaction of the lawful business of this institution may reasonably and  
14 necessarily require, subject to the limitations prescribed by law and the  
15 Constitution;

16 (p) *Recommend to the President of the Republic of the Philippines,*  
17 *nominees for the position of Executive Director of the PHSS; and*

18 (q) Exercise such other powers as may be essential or necessary to carry  
19 out the purposes of this Act.

20 SEC. 6. *School Head.* – The head of the school shall be the Executive  
21 Director of the PHSS, who shall be appointed by the President of the Republic  
22 of the Philippines to a fixed term of eight (8) years commencing from his  
23 assumption into office. The Executive Director shall not be removed therefrom  
24 except for cause. In addition to those specifically provided for in this Act, the  
25 functions, powers and duties of the Executive Director shall be those usually  
26 pertaining to the office of the principal of a public high school.

1           SEC. 7. *Meeting and Quorum.* – A quorum of the Board shall hold  
2 regular monthly meetings and special meetings as may be necessary. A quorum  
3 shall consist of a majority of all members holding office at the time the  
4 meeting of the Board is called.

5           SEC. 8. *Executive Council.* – There shall be an Executive Council  
6 consisting of the Executive Director, the heads of departments and such other  
7 ranking faculty members or officials of the PHSS as may be determined by the  
8 Executive Director. The Executive Council shall have the power to screen and  
9 select the students to be admitted to the PHSS; to select students who shall be  
10 recipients of scholarship, stipends and other allowances, including those who  
11 shall benefit from Republic Act No. 8525 (Adopt-a-School Act of 1998); and  
12 to develop the curricula, course of study, training and rules of discipline, all  
13 subject to the approval of the Board. The selection of students and scholars  
14 shall be equitably distributed to all districts in the country. The Executive  
15 Council shall have the exclusive power to recommend students eligible for  
16 graduation. The Executive Council shall exercise disciplinary power over the  
17 students through the Executive Director.

18           The Executive Council shall implement and execute the policies laid  
19 down by the Board and exercise such other functions, powers and duties as the  
20 Board may prescribe.

21           SEC. 9. *School Registrar.* -- There shall be a Registrar of the PHSS  
22 who shall also act as Secretary of the Board to be appointed by the Executive  
23 Director with the approval of the Board, unless the Board appoints another  
24 who shall act as Secretary of the Board. The Registrar shall keep such records  
25 as may be prescribed by the Board.

26           SEC. 10. *School Treasurer.* – There shall be a Treasurer of the PHSS  
27 who shall be appointed by the Executive Director with the approval of the  
28 Board. All accounts and expenses shall be subject to appropriate auditing

1 (b) Ten percent (10%) of all unclaimed and forfeited sweepstakes and  
2 lotto prizes but not less than Twelve million pesos (P12,000,000.00) per year  
3 for four (4) years from the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office (PCSO).

4 The Secretary of Education shall immediately include in the  
5 Department's program the operation of the PHSS, the funding of which shall  
6 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act: *Provided, however,*  
7 That any unexpended balance thereof shall also form part of the PHSS Fund.

8 SEC. 15. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Board shall issue  
9 rules and regulations that may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this  
10 Act.

11 SEC. 16. *Separability Clause.* – If for any reason, any portion or  
12 provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional, other parts or  
13 provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full  
14 force and effect.

15 SEC. 17. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules  
16 and regulations, part or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this  
17 Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

18 SEC. 18. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)  
19 days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2)  
20 newspapers of general circulation, whichever comes earlier.

Approved,

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