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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 189

Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on
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Re: House Bill No. **5920**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1232

Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go, Isidro T. Ungab, and Gerardo J. Espina, Jr.

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which was referred:


House Bill No. 1232, introduced by Representative Gerardo J. Espina, Jr., entitled:

“AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)
TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
NAVAL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE NAVAL TESDA TRAINING CENTER,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. **5920**, entitled:

“AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT
CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAVAL, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN, TO
BE KNOWN AS THE NAVAL, BILIRAN TESDA TRAINING AND
ASSESSMENT CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 1232 and with Reps. Gerardo J. Espina, Jr., Mark O. Go, and Isidro T. Ungab as authors thereof.


ISIDRO T. UNGAB
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,


MARK O. GO
Chairperson
Committee on Higher and Technical Education

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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House Bill No. 5920

(in substitution of House Bill No. 1232)

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES GERARDO J. ESPINA, JR., MARK O. GO,
AND ISIDRO T. UNGAB

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF NAVAL, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN, TO BE KNOWN AS THE
NAVAL, BILIRAN TESDA TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER, AND
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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 “*Naval, Biliran TESDA*
2 *Training and Assessment Center Act*”.

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4 **SEC. 2. Establishment.** - There is hereby established a Technical Education and
5 Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Center in the Municipality
6 of Naval, Province of Biliran, under the supervision of the TESDA, to be known as the
7 Naval, Biliran TESDA Training and Assessment Center. It shall be established in a highly
8 accessible location in the Municipality of Naval, Province of Biliran, pursuant to the purposes
9 of this Act and to the mutual agreement between the TESDA and the concerned local
10 government units (LGUs).

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12 **SEC. 3. General Mandate.** – The Naval, Biliran TESDA Training and Assessment
13 Center, hereinafter referred to as the Center, shall primarily provide technical-vocational
14 education and training (TVET) programs to students and local residents from low-income
15 families and out-of-school youths, including persons with disabilities and indigenous peoples,
16 in the Municipality of Naval and the neighboring localities in the Province of Biliran, to help
17 them become productive, self-reliant and globally competitive labor assets.

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19 The Center shall offer training programs on relevant skills trade competencies,
20 craftsmanship, and entrepreneurship activities needed to deliver the effective employment
21 interventions that will hasten the development of the host area and adjacent localities in the
22 Province of Biliran into human resource and productivity hubs.

1 The Center shall serve as TESDA-accredited Assessment Center for acquired
2 competencies in TVET programs in the Municipality of Naval and adjacent localities in the
3 Province of Biliran. It shall also provide teachers' training and curriculum design assistance
4 to the secondary schools offering the technical-vocational livelihood (TVL) track under the K
5 to 12 Program in coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd) and the TESDA.
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7 **SEC. 4. Training Programs** – The Center shall offer short-term certificate courses
8 and modular trainings in preferred technical-vocational skills and trades specialization. To
9 this end, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Trade and
10 Industry (DTI), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Agriculture
11 (DA), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Economic and
12 Development Authority (NEDA), business-industry partners, and other relevant agencies and
13 instrumentalities, both local and international, shall provide the necessary assistance to enable
14 the Center to develop skilled manpower to achieve a robust inclusive economy in the host
15 area and its adjacent localities.
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17 The Center may establish research and technology hubs, technology development
18 farms, satellite or extension training centers, and promote mobile training programs to
19 strengthen linkages among the industry partners, the academe, and the Center geared towards
20 the acquisition of practical livelihood, employable skills, gainful employment, and
21 entrepreneurship in priority areas in the Municipality of Naval and neighboring localities in
22 the Province of Biliran.
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24 The Center shall offer the following TVET programs with competencies assessment
25 leading to National Certification Levels I-III:
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- 27 (a) Skills training in industrial technology and hard trades such as metal and
28 steelwork, machine fabrication and operation, heavy equipment operation,
29 automotive mechanic, refrigeration and air conditioning, electronics, and
30 operation of power tools and equipment for both medium skills grade and
31 industrial purposes;
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- 33 (b) Agriculture and aquaculture-related trainings and skills development in such
34 areas as farming technology, fishing operations technology, backyard farming and
35 home-based aquaculture and propagation innovations, mechanized farm, fishing
36 tools and equipment operation, agribusiness, agri-aqua trade technology and
37 innovations, and relevant farmers and fisherfolks' trainings for increased
38 productivity and entrepreneurship;
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- 40 (c) Livelihood skills development courses for preferred skills employment and small-
41 scale entrepreneurship, including practical skills education in arts and crafts,
42 workmanship and design, high-speed sewing, dressmaking and tailoring,
43 horticulture, livestock raising and breeding, food processing technology, home
44 technology, culinary arts and commercial cooking, cosmetology, and health and
45 wellness training;
- 46 (d) Basic business literacy training in financial management, marketing, practical
47 accountancy, bookkeeping, office procedures, business processes and application
48 procedures including registration, licensing, documentation, business patent and
49 intellectual property regulation, business financing and investment opportunities

sourcing, import-export accreditation, online home-based business operation, and use of social media business marketing;

- (e) Technical-vocational occupation and trades skills such as carpentry, masonry, plumbing, welding, practical electricity and installation, automotive servicing, electronics servicing, personal computer (PC) servicing, and such other relevant practical skills courses;
- (f) Computer literacy and information technology (IT)-related skills, digital technology, web design, animation, photoshop/online photography, computer design, and advertising;
- (g) Social communication skills and language proficiency courses in English and other languages for business process outsourcing employment and overseas job placement;
- (h) Seminars on personality development, career counseling, job placement, and work ethic and values; and
- (i) Other preferred skills and trades training that may be needed by the people of the Municipality of Naval and of the adjacent localities of the Province of Biliran to enhance their capacities for practical livelihood, gainful employment, and entrepreneurial activities.

SEC. 5. Compliance with TESDA Requirements.- The provisions of this Act notwithstanding, the Center shall become operational only upon the determination and certification by the TESDA, through the issuance of a formal recommendation and certificate of compliance, that the Center has satisfactorily complied with the minimum requirements for quality standards prescribed by the TESDA governing the following competency assessment: a) standard procedures and guidelines (SPGs) for the establishment and operation of a Center; b) operational sustainability of the Center, in terms of licensed faculty-trainers and personnel, equipment, training and laboratory facilities, instructional materials, and other standard requirements of a Center; c) sustainable funding source and allocation of the budgetary requirement; d) assurance that the training programs offered are fully aligned with the minimum standards of competency-based quality technical-vocational skills technology and the needs of the host area and adjacent communities served in the context of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Integration and the Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF) for TVET; and e) compliance with such other TESDA conditionalities and standards, as may be necessary and applicable in establishing a Center.

SEC. 6. Administration. – The Center shall be headed by a Technical-Vocational Administrator, under the supervision of the TESDA, who shall render full-time service and be responsible for its administration and operation.

The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall be appointed by the TESDA Director General in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the qualification requirements for such office.

The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall enter into agreements with locally-based private and public counterpart agencies or instrumentalities and persons, subject to the

1 approval of the TESDA Director General, for such assistance as may be necessary to
2 effectively implement this Act.

3 **SEC. 7. Appropriations.** - The Director General of the TESDA shall include in the
4 Authority's program the operation of the Center, the funding of which shall be included in the
5 annual General Appropriations Act.
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7 The LGUs concerned, in consultation with the TESDA, shall set aside from any
8 available local revenue an amount deemed appropriate as annual counterpart fund to support
9 the operation of the Center herein established.
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11 **SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** - Within ninety (90) days after the
12 approval of this Act, the TESDA shall, in coordination with the DOLE, DTI, DOST, DA, the
13 Department of Budget and Management, DILG, NEDA, the concerned LGUs, and such other
14 relevant agencies and industry-business partners of the host locality, prepare and issue the
15 necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.
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17 **SEC. 9. Separability Clause.** - If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act
18 shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions thereof shall not
19 be affected and shall remain in force and in effect.
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21 **SEC. 10. Repealing Clause.** - All laws, executive orders, decrees, instructions, rules
22 and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with any provision of this Act are repealed or
23 amended accordingly.
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25 **SEC. 11. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
26 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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28 Approved,