REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

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House Bill No. 4963



Introduced by HON. KRISTINE ALEXIE B. TUTOR
Third District, Bohol

Explanatory Note

Science and Technology plays a key role in the country's development and progress. As stated in the Constitution, the State shall give priority to research and development, invention, innovation, and their utilization; and to science and technology education, training, and services. Consistent to this provision, the Philippine Science High School System was established to develop the full potential of its students in the field of Science, Technology, and Mathematics, and help them contribute to national development.

The Philippine Science High School System, an attached agency of the Department of Science and Technology, was established via Republic Act No. 3661, and is mandated to provide scholarships to students with high aptitude in Science and Mathematics and prepare them for careers in Science and Technology and make them active contributors to the betterment of the country through their active engagement in research and development work and as leaders in their field.

This bill seeks to establish a Philippine Science High School (PSHS) Campus in the Municipality of Candijay, Province of Bohol to enable talented and bright students from the province to receive education and learning focusing on science and technology. The establishment of a PSHS Campus in Candijay helps sustain accessibility to, and continuity of, education for students, especially those who are gifted in Science and Technology, who would otherwise need to attend science high schools in farther localities.

By establishing a campus in Candijay, students from the Province of Bohol will be nurtured and educated with special emphasis on the sciences and mathematics to prepare its students for science and technology careers, and ultimately enable Boholanos to contribute to, and promote the development not only of the Province of Bohol, but more importantly, of the whole country.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANDIJAY, PROVINCE OF BOHOL, AS PART OF THE CENTRAL VISAYAS CAMPUS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established, under the supervision of the 1 Department of Science and Technology, a Philippine Science High School 2 Campus in the Municipality of Candijay, Province of Bohol. 3 4 SEC. 2. The Philippine Science High School – Candijay Campus shall be 5 integrated into the Philippine Science High School System Act under Republic 6 7 Act No. 8496, otherwise known as the "Philippine Science High School (PSHS) System Act of 1997." 8 9 **SEC. 3.** The Philippine Science High School System, in close coordination 10 with the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) and the Local 11 Government Unit (LGU) in the Municipality of Candijay, Province of Bohol, is 12 hereby tasked to administer and supervise the establishment of the Philippine 13 Science High School (PSHS) – Candijay Campus under this Act. 14 15 16 **SEC. 4.** The amount needed to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be incorporated in the general appopriations act of the immediate proceeding fiscal 17 year following its enactment into law and thereafter. 18

SEC. 5. All legacies, gifts and donations for the benefit of the high school
herein created or for its support and maintenance, or for aid to any of its students
shall be tax exempt and shall be an allowable deduction from the gross income of
the donors. The high school shall be exempt from the payment of all kinds of
taxes, fees, assessments, and other charges of the national government, its
branches, subdivisions and agencies.

SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations, rules and regulations, and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,