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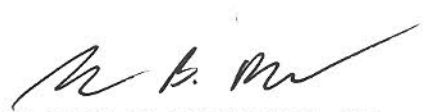
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Act seeks to institutionalize the conduct of Job Fairs in all schools all over the country and to strengthen the capacity of schools to do so.

A job fair is an event that will allow prospective employers to recruit future employees from the graduating class of a college or university. It may also be done for the graduating senior high school class.

Considering the high unemployment rate in the country, the practice of conducting job fairs is a good measure to alleviate unemployment which according to the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) now stands at the rate of 6.1 percent as of April 2016.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**INSTITUTIONALIZING THE HOLDING OF JOB FAIRS IN ALL**  
**COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS**  
**AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS ALL OVER THE COUNTRY**

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* This Act shall be known as the "Job Fair Act of 2016."

SEC. 2. All colleges and universities, as well as all technical-vocational schools are mandated to hold a job fair at least once a year. In the said job fair, the concerned college or university will invite all prospective employers from the locality where the school is located and elsewhere to scout for possible future employees from their graduating students for that year.

SEC. 3. In the same manner, all schools offering senior high schools as well as are likewise mandated to hold such job fair at least once a year for the graduating senior class.

SEC. 4. For this purpose, the existing Guidance and Counselling Offices of schools and/or Guidance Counsellors, if any, of all schools shall be given the duty of organizing and coordinating such job fairs. If there is no such office in the school, the school head shall appoint one of the members of the teaching staff to do so.

SEC. 5. The Department of Education (DepEd) shall be tasked with formulating and issuing the implementing rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 6. The funds necessary to carry out the provision of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriation Act of the year following its enactment in law and thereafter.

SEC. 7. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.