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Introduced by Representative Salvador B. Belaro, Jr.

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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

"Education is the greatest equalizer." This quotation has brought hope to many poor Filipino families who would do everything, even sell their carabaos or most-valuable property, just to send their children to school in the belief that once the children have graduated from school, they then could help alleviate the entire family from poverty.

Providing education and/or skills training to our *kasambahays* through distance learning and/or home-based study program shall definitely go a long way to enable them to eventually finish a degree or certificate program that would be their ticket towards extricating themselves from the vicious cycle of poverty.

This Act seeks to provide mandatory support to the *kasambahays* who wish to pursue their studies through distance learning and/or home-based study program.

  
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**AN ACT**  
**ALLOWING KASAMBAHAYS TO ENJOY DISTANCE LEARNING**  
**AND HOME-BASED STUDY PROGRAM**

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 "Kasambahay Distance Learning and Home-Based Study Program Act of 2016."

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. The State shall establish means to promote quality education, accessible to all.

SEC. 3. The Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), and the Department of Education (DepEd), together with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE) shall jointly establish standards and regulations that will support *kasambahays* who wish to pursue training and/or education through distance learning or home-based study program.

SEC. 4. 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 into law and thereafter.

SEC. 5. 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laws, orders, issuances rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with any provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.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. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.