

Seventeenth Congress
First Regular Session
HOUSE BILL NO. **3654**



Introduced by Honorable Carmelo B. Lazatin II

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in Angeles City, Pampanga.

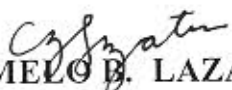
" Isang pamahalaang may gawaing tama, marangal at pinagkakatiwalaan ng taong bayan, tapat at mabilis na serbisyo at may pagkalinga sa kapwa tao, at nagbibigay ng abot kaya at kalidad na edukasyon. Isang pamayanang mapayapa at maayos, yumabong ang kalikasan at malinis na kapaligiran, at umuunlad ang ekonomiya at kabuhayan, maging sa larangan ng pangdaigdigang kalakalan. "- This is the vision of the City of Angeles in Pampanga.

Stretched out in the broad expanse of Central Luzon lies Angeles City, classified as highly urbanized, strategically located and known as a concrete exemplification of beauty, tradition and growth. Commercial activities have become widespread throughout the City, ranging from wholesale to retail establishments, restaurants, hardware and construction supplies, and other service-related industries. Commerce plays a vital role in the development of Angeles City, so much so that the government should provide funding support to preserve and strengthen the livelihood of the people as an alternative source of income.

Technical skills education will help not only the City of Angeles to move forward but the whole country as well, as this is a means to spur employment and boost family income.

The establishment of a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training Center in Angeles City will effectively equip the graduates with basic livelihood skills and knowledge that will help them sustain the worth of being productive individuals and enable them to become economically independent at an earlier age.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is highly and earnestly recommended.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)
TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN ANGELES CITY,
PAMPANGA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. **Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the “*Angeles City TESDA Training and Accreditation Center Act*”.

SEC. 2. **Establishment.** – There is hereby established the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in the City of Angeles, Pampanga under the supervision of the TESDA, hereinafter referred to as the Training and Accreditation Center.

SEC. 3. **General Mandate.** – The Training and Accreditation Center shall primarily provide technical and vocational training and skills development programs to low-income families and out-of-school youth in the City of Angeles to make them productive, as well as to help them develop into middle-level skilled manpower, so as to hasten the social development of the City and to meet the needs of both local and international markets. It shall also serve as the assessment center for technical and vocational skills in the City.

SEC.4. *Curriculum Offerings.* – The Training and Accreditation Center shall offer short-term technical –vocational certificate courses within its areas of specialization.

SEC. 5. *Administration.* – The Training and Accreditation Center shall be headed by a Technical Vocational Administrator under the supervision of The TESDA.

SEC. 6. *Appropriations.* – The Director General of the TESDA shall include in the TESDA's program the establishment of the Angeles City TESDA Training and Accreditation Center, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The city government of Angeles City shall also set aside funds from any available local revenues in an amount deemed appropriate by the city officials concerned as subsidy for the operationalization of the Training and Accreditation Center.

SEC. 7. *Implementing Rules and regulations.* – The TESDA, in coordination with the Department of Trade and Industry, shall formulate and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 8. *Separability Clause.* – If for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 9. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 10. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,