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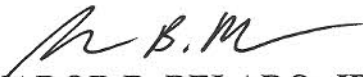
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Act seeks to make a TESDA (Technical Education Skills and Development Authority) certification equivalent to the grant of a first level civil service eligibility so as to enable many graduates of TESDA courses qualified to work in government.

Every year, thousands, if not millions of our citizens graduate from courses offered by TESDA. Yet, their work options are limited as they cannot work in government due to the required civil service eligibility notwithstanding the fact that most of these graduates are trainable in rendering the most basic skills required by government service.

The disparity becomes more apparent when one considers the fact that a person elected as Barangay Captain or Barangay Councilor is automatically considered as civil service eligible, which has no bearing on the work skills of said person.

This Act is intended to enable TESDA graduates to include in their option of employment government service as well as to enable current but loyal and dependable government employees without civil service eligibility to acquire job security.


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AN ACT
MAKING TESDA CERTIFICATION AS EQUIVALENT TO FIRST
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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 “TESDA Certification Law of 2016.”

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, all graduates of courses offered by the Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) shall be deemed to have attained a first level civil service eligibility within the contemplation of the laws and regulations of the Civil Service Commission.

SEC. 3. Government employees who are not civil service eligible, but who have served the government for at least 5 years may, upon the recommendation of the immediate head of said employee, be allowed to apply for a TESDA certification which will grant said employee a first level civil service eligibility within the contemplation of the laws and regulations of the Civil Service Commission.

SEC. 4. The Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA) is mandated to revise the curriculum of all its course offerings and trainings so that the most basic skills required in government service is integrated in such curriculum with due regard to the fact that upon the completion of said course offerings and trainings, the TESDA certification that will be issued will be equivalent to a first level civil service eligibility.

SEC. 5. The Technical Education Skills and Development Authority (TESDA), shall be furthermore, tasked to formulate the rules and regulations necessary to implement 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.