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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 120

Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations **DEC 04 2019**.

Re: House Bill No. **5697**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1529

Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go, Isidro T. Ungab and Joey Sarte Salceda

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which was referred:

House Bill No. 1529, introduced by Rep. Joey Sarte Salceda, entitled:

“AN ACT

APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BICOL UNIVERSITY EAST CAMPUS AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE EDUCATION-SCHOOL FACILITIES INSIDE THE BICOL UNIVERSITY CAMPUS, LEGAZPI CITY, ALBAY”

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have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. _____, entitled:

“AN ACT

APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BICOL UNIVERSITY (BU)-EAST CAMPUS PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SCHOOL FACILITIES INSIDE THE BU-EAST CAMPUS”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 1529 with Reps. Joey Sarte Salceda, Mark O. Go, and Isidro T. Ungab as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

ISIDRO T. UNGAB

Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

MARK O. GO

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. _____
(In substitution of HB No. 1529)

Introduced by REPRESENTATIVES JOEY SARTE SALCEDA, MARK O. GO
and ISIDRO T. UNGAB

AN ACT
APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BICOL
UNIVERSITY (BU) - EAST CAMPUS PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND THE
CONSTRUCTION OF THE SCHOOL FACILITIES INSIDE THE BU-EAST CAMPUS

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives in Congress Assembled

1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** This Act shall be known as the “Bicol University (BU) - East
2 Campus Physical Development Act”.

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4 **SEC. 2. *Declaration of State Policy.*** It is the policy of the State to protect and promote
5 the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels. It shall also take into account regional and
6 sectoral needs and conditions and encourage local planning in the development of educational
7 policies and programs.

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9 **SEC. 3. *Objectives.*** The objectives of this Act are:

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11 a. To upgrade, strengthen, and establish laboratories at the BU-East Campus and to
12 implement outcome-based education for all engineering programs by providing
13 laboratory buildings and equipment to meet the minimum requirements of the
14 Commission on Higher Education (CHED);
- 15 b. To offer market-driven and relevant academic programs by providing facilities for
16 engineering graduate programs, such as audio-visual rooms, library for graduate
17 students, and additional classrooms; and
- 18 c. To upgrade and modernize the physical/infrastructure facilities by improving existing
19 drainage system, water distribution system, power supply, communication lines, and
20 constructing covered walks, library, student lounge/food centers, student offices, and
21 comfort rooms.

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23 **SEC. 4. *Project Implementation.*** To carry out the objectives of this Act, the Bicol
24 Innovation, Research and Technology (BIRTH) Hub is hereby established through the utilization

of a three-phased approach at the BU-East Campus in Legazpi City, Province of Albay. School facilities shall also be constructed inside the BU-East Campus under the physical development plan of the BU-East Campus. It shall be based on the following activities:

Phase 1

- a. BU-East Administration Building - a three-storey general administration building that will house all the academic and administration offices;
- b. Bicol University College of Information Technology (BUCIT) Academic and Professional Building - a building exclusive for BUCIT that will be utilized by the academic and professional programs;
- c. Civil Engineering Building- a three-storey building for undergraduate and graduate Civil Engineering programs;
- d. Chemical Engineering Building - a three-storey building for undergraduate and graduate Chemical Engineering programs;
- e. Electrical Engineering Building- a three-storey building for undergraduate and graduate Electrical Engineering programs;
- f. Mechanical Engineering Building- a three-storey building for undergraduate and graduate Mechanical Engineering programs;
- g. Geo-Mines Building - a two-storey building for Geodetic and Mining Engineering programs;
- h. Centralized Laboratory Building - a four-storey building that will house all the laboratory rooms and equipment for all programs in Bicol University College of Engineering;
- i. Architecture Building 2 – a two-storey academic building;
- j. Road Opening/Widening - establishment of roads and sidewalks in the BU-East Campus;
- k. Road Widening/Rehabilitation;
- l. BU-East Gate Design and Development 1;
- m. BU-East Gate Design and Development 2; and
- n. Bicol Geographic Information Science Training Center

Phase 2

- a. Comprehensive Drainage System Design and Establishment - essential for flood control and disaster preparedness;
- b. Ruran River Flood Control/Rehabilitation/Slope Protection (Disaster Risk Reduction Management/Climate Change Adaptation);
- c. Solid Waste Management Facility; and
- d. Power Facility/Communication Lines Modernization.

Phase 3

- a. Food Science Building - an academic and laboratory building for food technology;
- b. Multi-Tech Building 2;
- c. Covered Pedestrian Walk Design and Establishment - a covered walk from the main gate to the buildings so as to protect students from different types of weather; and
- d. Student Lounge/Center - a two-storey student center that will house all student offices and hold student activities;

- e. Campus Food Court/Cafeteria - a two-storey food center for use of faculty and non-teaching employees and students;
- f. Dormitory 1 – for women;
- g. Dormitory 2 – for men;
- h. Dormitory – Guestel/Commercial Building 1;
- i. BU-East Faculty and Staff Condominium – to provide condominium spaces for rent to faculty and staff (particularly those residents in the housing area affected by the campus development);
- j. Commercial Building 3 with gender and development-sensitive comfort rooms;
- k. Bicol Material Testing Center and Multi-Purpose Building - a three-storey testing center open to private and public agencies and individuals and to be used for income generating projects of the university;
- l. Sports and Recreational Area Enhancement; and BU-East Campus Perimeter Fence

SEC. 5. Appropriations. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the BU, in consultation with the CHED, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for its effective implementation.

SEC. 7. Repealing Clause. All laws, presidential degrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 8. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect upon its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,