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House Bill No. 6016



Introduced by CIBAC Party-List Representatives
Eduardo "Bro. Eddie" C. Villanueva and Domingo C. Rivera

**AN ACT PROVIDING CAMPUS HOUSING TO TENURED FACULTY
MEMBERS IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Currently, some state colleges and universities in the Philippines provide housing for tenured faculty members. However, these individuals lose the privilege when they retire, resign or are terminated from the service. This situation gives rise to a heartbreaking situation where retired faculty members lose their "home" in their old age.

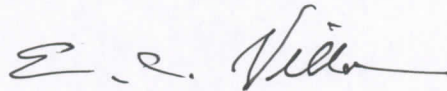
For example, in the University of the Philippines, retired employees are required to return the unit they are occupying within six months from their retirement from the University. This same policy is also existing in other state universities and colleges (SUCs), such as Mindanao State University, among others.

In order to remedy this situation, this bill mandates SUCs to provide in-campus housing to tenured faculty at affordable rental charges and in accordance with the criteria and standards set by the Board of Regents of the SUC. Qualified faculty members shall have the right to stay in in-campus housing units during their lifetime to ensure that they will be able to live comfortably in the home they grew accustomed to. This measure also seeks to protect them from inconvenience of looking for alternative housing and moving somewhere else during their old age.

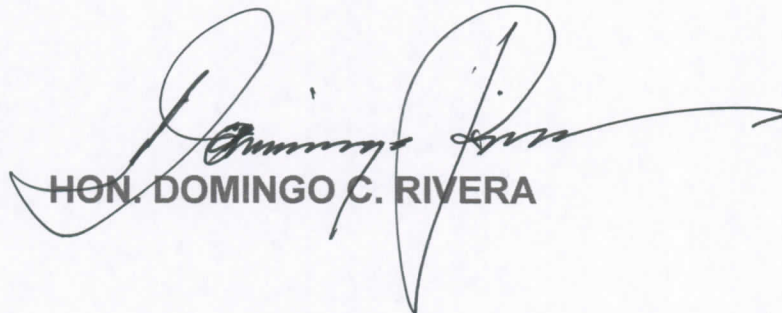
In addition, in recognition of the fact that SUC in-campus housing may be limited, this bill also mandates SUCs to establish partnerships with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Government Financial Institutions (GFIs), and other government agencies, to assist qualified beneficiaries in the rental and/or acquisition of off-campus housing and in the availment of soft loans for the acquisition of housing units outside of the premises of the university or college, respectively.

Lastly, this bill also mandates all SUCs to develop a Housing Development Program to ensure that tenured faculty members and other permanent personnel shall have affordable housing options, whether in-campus or off-campus.

The immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT PROVIDING CAMPUS HOUSING TO TENURED FACULTY
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OTHER PURPOSES**

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

1 **SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the “*State Universities and*
2 *Colleges (SUCs) Faculty Housing Act.*”
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4 **SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy.** – The State recognizes the right of teachers to
5 professional advancement, to adequate remuneration and other means of job
6 satisfaction and fulfillment. Towards this end, the State shall provide decent and high
7 quality housing at equitable terms and conditions for tenured faculty members who
8 have dedicated their lives to a lifelong pursuit of teaching and education.
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10 **SECTION 3. Coverage.** – The provisions of this Act shall apply to all tenured faculty
11 members in all SUCs in the Philippines. For the purpose of this Act, tenured faculty
12 members refer to members of the faculty of SUCs who have attained permanent status
13 according to the standards and criteria set by the SUC.
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15 **SECTION 5. Mandatory Campus Housing for Tenured Faculty Members.** – All
16 SUCs shall provide in-campus housing to qualified tenured faculty members at
17 affordable rental charges and in accordance with the criteria and standards set by the
18 Board of Regents of the concerned SUC; *Provided*, That the term of the lease
19 agreement may be co-terminous with the lifetime of the beneficiary, regardless of the
20 beneficiary’s retirement from the SUC concerned, unless sooner revoked or

1 terminated by the beneficiary, or when the beneficiary resigns or is terminated from
2 service prior to his/her retirement, or due to gross violations of the housing rules and
3 regulations of the SUC or due to other causes as may be set in the implementing rules
4 and regulations of this Act.

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6 **SECTION 6. Alternative Housing Options.** – In addition to in-campus housing, SUCs
7 shall also establish a program and linkages with other government agencies in offering
8 alternative housing options to the beneficiaries of this Act, including, but not limited to,
9 the following:

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11 a) Housing Assistance. The SUC shall establish partnerships and coordinate with
12 the Department of Housing and Urban Development (DHUD) and other relevant
13 government agencies in assisting the qualified beneficiaries under this Act in the
14 rental and/or acquisition of off-campus housing.
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16 b) Soft Loan programs. The SUC shall establish partnerships with the Land Bank
17 of the Philippines and other qualified Government Financial Institutions (GFIs)
18 for the creation of a soft loan program specifically for qualified beneficiaries under
19 this Act to facilitate the acquisition of off-campus housing, with terms and
20 conditions favorable to the borrower-qualified beneficiary.

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22 **SECTION 7. SUC Housing Development Program.** – Within one (1) year from the
23 effectivity of this Act, all SUCs shall develop a Housing Development Program to
24 ensure that tenured faculty members and other permanent personnel shall have
25 affordable housing options, whether in-campus or off-campus.

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27 **SECTION 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – Within sixty (60) days from
28 the effectivity of this Act, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), in coordination
29 with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (DHUD) and Land Bank of
30 the Philippines, SUCs and other relevant government agencies, shall promulgate the
31 necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

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33 **SECTION 9. Appropriations.** – The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of
34 this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA) under the
35 budgets of the particular SUCs.

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37 **SECTION 10. Separability Clause.** – Any portion or provisions of this Act that may
38 be declared unconstitutional or invalid shall not have the effect of nullifying other
39 portions and provisions hereof as long as such remaining portions or provisions can
40 still subsist and be given effect in their entirety.

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42 **SECTION 11. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations
43 and administrative regulations, or any parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby
44 revoked, repealed or modified accordingly.

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46 **SECTION 12. Effectivity Clause.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
47 publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
48 circulation.

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50 **Approved,**