



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5697

BY REPRESENTATIVES SALCEDA, GO (M.), UNGAB, CABREDO,
CASTRO (F.H.) AND NIETO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 120

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 House of Representatives of the
Philippines in Congress assembled:*

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

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

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

(a) To upgrade, strengthen, and establish laboratories at the
BU – East Campus and to implement outcome-based education for
all engineering programs by providing laboratory buildings and
equipment to meet the minimum requirements of the Commission
on Higher Education (CHED);

(b) To offer market-driven and relevant academic programs
by providing facilities for engineering graduate programs, such as

audio-visual rooms, library for graduate students, and additional
classrooms; and

(c) To upgrade and modernize the physical/infrastructure
facilities by improving existing drainage system, water distribution
system, power supply, communication lines, and constructing
covered walks, library, student lounge/food centers, student offices,
and comfort rooms.

SEC. 4. *Project Implementation.* – To carry out the
objectives of this Act, the Bicol Innovation, Research and
Technology Hub (BIRTH) is hereby established through the
utilization of a three (3)-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 (3)-storey
general administration building that will house all the academic
and administration offices;

(b) Bicol University College of Information Technology
(BUCIT) Academe and Professional Building – a building exclusive
for BUCIT that will be utilized by the academic and professional
programs;

(c) Civil Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey building
for undergraduate and graduate Civil Engineering programs;

(d) Chemical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey
building for undergraduate and graduate Chemical Engineering
programs;

- 1 (e) Electrical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey
- 2 building for undergraduate and graduate Electrical Engineering
- 3 programs;
- 4 (f) Mechanical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey
- 5 building for undergraduate and graduate Mechanical Engineering
- 6 programs;
- 7 (g) Geo-Mines Building – a two (2)-storey building for
- 8 Geodetic and Mining Engineering programs;
- 9 (h) Centralized Laboratory Building – a four (4)-storey
- 10 building that will house all the laboratory rooms and equipment for
- 11 all programs in the Bicol University College of Engineering;
- 12 (i) Architecture Building 2 – a two (2)-storey academic
- 13 building;
- 14 (j) Road Opening/Widening – establishment of roads and
- 15 sidewalks in the BU – East Campus;
- 16 (k) Road Widening/Rehabilitation;
- 17 (l) BU – East Gate Design and Development 1;
- 18 (m) BU – East Gate Design and Development 2; and
- 19 (n) Bicol Geographic Information Science Training Center.
- 20 Phase 2
- 21 (a) Comprehensive Drainage System Design and
- 22 Establishment – essential for flood control and disaster
- 23 preparedness;
- 24 (b) Rural River Flood Control/Rehabilitation/Slope
- 25 Protection (Disaster Risk Reduction Management/Climate Change
- 26 Adaptation);
- 27 (c) Solid Waste Management Facility; and
- 28 (d) Power Facility/Communication Lines Modernization.

- 1 Phase 3
- 2 (a) Food Science Building – an academic and laboratory
- 3 building for food technology;
- 4 (b) Multi-Tech Building 2;
- 5 (c) Covered Pedestrian Walk Design and Establishment – a
- 6 covered walk from the main gate to the buildings so as to protect
- 7 students from different types of weather;
- 8 (d) Student Lounge/Center – a two (2)-storey student center
- 9 that will house all student offices and hold student activities;
- 10 (e) Campus Food Court/Cafeteria – a two (2)-storey food
- 11 center for use of faculty and non-teaching employees and students;
- 12 (f) Dormitory 1 – for women;
- 13 (g) Dormitory 2 – for men;
- 14 (h) Dormitory – Guestel/Commercial Building 1;
- 15 (i) BU – East Faculty and Staff Condominium – to provide
- 16 condominium spaces for rent to faculty and staff (particularly those
- 17 residents in the housing area affected by the campus development);
- 18 (j) Commercial Building 3 with gender and development-
- 19 sensitive comfort rooms;
- 20 (k) Bicol Material Testing Center and Multi-Purpose
- 21 Building – a three (3)-storey testing center open to private and
- 22 public agencies and individuals and to be used for income
- 23 generating projects of the university; and
- 24 (l) Sports and Recreational Area Enhancement; and
- 25 BU – East Campus Perimeter Fence.
- 26 SEC. 5. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to carry
- 27 out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual
- 28 General Appropriations Act.

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

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

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

Approved,

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