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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on JAN 0 7 2020 Re: House Bill No. Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2454, 2455, 2456 and 2457 Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go, Isidro T. Ungab, and Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D.

Mr. Speaker:

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

House Bill No. 2454, introduced by Representative Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., entitled:

#### "AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUMACA, IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR";

House Bill No. 2455, introduced by Representative Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., entitled:

#### "AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TAGKAWAYAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR":

House Bill No. 2456, introduced by Representative Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., entitled:

#### "AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUINAYANGAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR":

and House Bill No. 2457, introduced by Representative Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., entitled:

# "AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALABAT, IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 5921, entitled

### "AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ALABAT, GUINAYANGAN, GUMACA, AND TAGKAWAYAN IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2454, 2455, 2456, and 2457 and with Reps. Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., Mark O. Go, and Isidro T. Ungab as authors thereof.

ISIDRO T. UNGAB

Chairperson

Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,

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Committee on Higher and Technical Education

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES QUEZON CITY

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House Bill No. 5921

(in substitution of House Bills Numbered 2454, 2455, 2456 and 2457)

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES ANGELINA "Helen" D.L. TAN, M.D., MARK O. GO, AND ISIDRO T. UNGAB

## AN ACT

ESTABLISHING TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ASSESSMENT CENTERS IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ALABAT, GUINAYANGAN, GUMACA, AND TAGKAWAYAN IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEZON, 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 "Alabat, Guinayangan, Gumaca, and Tagkawayan, Quezon Province TESDA Training and Assessment Centers Act".

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20 21 SEC. 2. Establishment. – There are hereby established Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Assessment Centers in the island municipalities of Alabat, Guinayangan, Gumaca, and Tagkawayan in the Province of Quezon, under the supervision of the TESDA. The Centers shall be known individually as follows: (a) Alabat, Quezon Training and Assessment Center; (b) Guinayangan, Quezon Training and Assessment Center; and (d) Tagkawayan, Quezon Training and Assessment Center. They shall be established in highly accessible location in the municipalities of Alabat, Guinayangan, Gumaca, and Tagkawayan in the Province of Quezon, pursuant to the purposes of this Act and to the

mutual agreement between the TESDA and the concerned local government units (LGUs).

**SEC. 3.** *General Mandate.* – The Alabat, Guinayangan, Gumaca, and Tagkawayan Quezon Training and Assessment Centers, hereinafter referred to as the Centers, shall primarily provide technical-vocational education and training (TVET) programs to students, local residents from low-income families, and out-of-school youths, including persons with disabilities and indigenous peoples, in the four (4) municipalities and the adjacent localities in the Province of Quezon, to help them become productive, self-reliant and globally competitive labor assets.

The Centers shall offer training programs on relevant skills trade competencies, craftsmanship, and entrepreneurship activities needed to deliver the effective employment interventions that will hasten the development of the host areas and the adjacent localities in the Province of Quezon into human resource and productivity hubs.

The Centers shall serve as TESDA-accredited Assessment Centers for acquired competencies in TVET programs in the Province of Quezon. They shall respectively provide teachers' training and curriculum design assistance to the secondary schools offering the technical-vocational livelihood track under the K to 12 Program in coordination with the Department of Education and the TESDA.

SEC. 4. Training Programs – The Centers shall offer short-term certificate courses and modular trainings in preferred technical-vocational skills and trades specialization. To this end, the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Agriculture (DA), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), business-industry partners, and other relevant agencies and instrumentalities, both local and international, shall provide the necessary assistance to enable the Centers to develop skilled manpower to achieve a robust inclusive economy in the host areas and adjacent localities.

The Centers may establish research and technology hubs, technology development farms, satellite or extension training centers, and promote mobile training programs to strengthen linkages among the industry partners, the academe, and the Centers geared towards the acquisition of practical livelihood, employable skills, gainful employment, and entrepreneurship in priority areas in the four (4) municipalities and the adjacent localities in the Province of Quezon.

The Centers shall offer the following TVET programs with competencies assessment leading to National Certification Levels I-III:

(a) Skills training in industrial technology and hard trades such as metal and steelwork, machine fabrication and operation, heavy equipment operation, automotive mechanic, refrigeration and air conditioning, electronics, and operation of power tools and equipment for both medium skills grade and industrial purposes;

(b) Agriculture and aquaculture-related trainings and skills development in such areas as farming technology, fishing operations technology, backyard farming and home-based aquaculture and propagation innovations, mechanized farm, fishing tools and equipment operation, agribusiness, agri-aqua trade technology and innovations, and relevant farmers and fisherfolk"s trainings for increased productivity and entrepreneurship;

 (c) Livelihood skills development courses for preferred skills employment and small-scale entrepreneurship, including practical skills education in arts and crafts, workmanship and design, high-speed sewing, dressmaking and tailoring, horticulture, livestock raising and breeding, food processing technology, home technology, culinary arts and commercial cooking, cosmetology, and health and wellness training;

- (d) Basic business literacy training in financial management, marketing, practical accountancy, bookkeeping, office procedures, business processes and application procedures, including registration, licensing, documentation, business patent and intellectual property regulation, business financing and investment opportunities sourcing, import-export accreditation, online home-based business operation, and use of social media business marketing;
- (e) Technical-vocational occupation and trades skills such as carpentry, masonry, plumbing, welding, practical electricity and installation, automotive servicing, electronics servicing, personal computer servicing, and such other relevant practical skills courses;
- (f) Computer literacy and information technology-related skills, digital technology, web design, animation, photoshop/online photography, computer design and advertising;
- (g) Social communication skills and language proficiency courses in English and other languages for business process outsourcing employment and overseas job placement;
- (h) Seminars on personality development, career counseling, job placement, and work ethic and values; and
- (i) Other preferred skills and trades training that may be needed by the people of the municipalities of Alabat, Guinayangan, Gumaca, and Tagkawayan, and adjacent localities of the Province of Quezon to enhance their capacities for practical livelihood, gainful employment, and entrepreneurial activities.
- SEC. 5. Compliance with TESDA Requirements.- The provisions of this Act notwithstanding, the Centers shall become operational only upon the determination and certification by the TESDA, through the issuance of a formal recommendation and certificate of compliance, that the Centers have individually and satisfactorily complied with the minimum requirements for quality standards prescribed by TESDA governing the following competency assessment: (a) standard procedures and guidelines for the establishment and operation of a Center; (b) operational sustainability of the Centers, in terms of licensed faculty-trainers and personnel, equipment, training and laboratory facilities, instructional materials, and other standard requirements of a Center; (c) sustainable funding source and allocation of the budgetary requirement; (d) assurance that the training programs offered are fully aligned with the minimum standards of competency-based quality technical-vocational skills technology and the needs of the host areas and adjacent communities served in the context of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Integration and the Philippine Qualifications Framework for TVET; and (e) compliance with such other TESDA conditionalities and standards, as may be necessary and applicable in establishing a Center.
- **SEC. 6.** *Administration.* The Centers shall each be headed by a Technical-Vocational Administrator, under the supervision of the TESDA, who shall render full-time service and be responsible for the Centers' respective administration and operation.

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The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall be appointed by the TESDA Director General in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Civil Service Commission and the qualification requirements for such office.

The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall enter into agreements with locallybased private and public counterpart agencies or instrumentalities and persons, subject to the approval of the TESDA Director General, for such assistance as may be necessary to effectively implement this Act.

SEC. 7. Appropriations. - The Director General of the TESDA shall include in the Authority's program the operation of the Centers, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

The LGUs concerned, in consultation with the TESDA, shall likewise set aside from any available local revenue an amount deemed appropriate as annual counterpart fund to support the operation of the Centers herein established.

- SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within ninety (90) days after the approval of this Act, the TESDA shall, in coordination with the DOLE, DTI, DOST, DA, Department of Budget and Management, DILG, NEDA, concerned LGUs, and such other relevant agencies and industry-business partners of the host localities, prepare and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.
- SEC. 19. Separability Clause. If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions thereof shall not be affected and shall remain in force and in effect.
- SEC. 10. Repealing Clause. All laws, executive orders, decrees, instructions, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.
- SEC. 11. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,