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HOUSE BILL NO. 4701



Introduced by Hon. Deogracias Victor 'DV' B. Savellano

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Sports is an important aspect for the people as an expression of their competitive physical ability, the need to keep their bodies fit, as a form of entertainment and as a diversion from the harmful effects of vices such as cigarette smoking, alcohol consumption and drug use. Article XIV Section 19 of the 1987 Constitution mandates the state to "promote physical education and encourage sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports, including training for international competitions, to foster self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the development of a healthy and alert citizenry."

It is thus imperative that the state should provide adequate facilities and support to citizens who have shown potential and willingness to contribute to the development of the country's sports initiatives. There have been important efforts already taken to support the holistic development of the country's sporting ventures.

This bill aims to create a sports training center in the capital city of Ilocos Sur which is Vigan City. The proposed sports training center will serve a modern training facility for both professional and amateur athletes not just in Ilocos Sur, but the neighboring provinces as well. By establishing this sports training center, we will produce more athletes we can be proud of, not only in the Ilocos region, but in the country as a whole.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

**ESTABLISHING THE ILOCOS SUR SPORTS TRAINING CENTER TO BE LOCATED
IN VIGAN CITY AND APROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established in Vigan City, Province of Ilocos Sur, a sports training center to be known as the "Ilocos Sur Sports Training Center" which shall be constituted as the primary sports training center for the whole of Ilocos Sur and the neighboring provinces thereat.

SECTION 2. The Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, in coordination with the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), shall take the necessary steps to upgrade, improve and modernize existing facilities, equipment and personnel, and integrate them into the newly created sports center.

The Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur, in coordination with the PSC, shall create the necessary training programs, appropriate tournaments and competitions, as well as the system by which the facilities shall be maintained and managed in order to accomplish the objectives and purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. The construction, establishment and operation of the Ilocos Sur Sports Training Center shall be funded by the PSC and such funds as may be granted by the Office of

the President. In addition, grants and endowments may be obtained from local or foreign sources intended for sports development.

SECTION 4. The Chairman of the PSC shall immediately include in the Commission's program, the necessary funding requirements of the Ilocos Sur Sports Training Center.

SECTION 5. The PSC, in coordination with the Provincial Government of Ilocos Sur and City Government of Vigan City, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act within ninety (90) days after its enactment into law.

SECTION 6. This Act shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,