

Seventeenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. **3653**



Introduced by Honorable Carmelo B. Lazatin II

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in the Municipality of Magalang, Pampanga.

Magalang is a first class municipality in Pampanga that is home to about a hundred thousand people who are dependent upon agriculture to make a living, particularly livestock raising and farming. Magalang is famous for its sweet confections, producing the Filipino favorite pastillas de leche, noted for its excellent quality and delectable taste. Apart from that, the place thrives with fishponds, piggeries and poultry farms. It also houses the Pampanga Agricultural State University, a learning institution that *“undertakes agricultural research, production and extension-training activities aimed at enhancing the quality of higher education and countryside development.”*

It is the municipality’s aim to further improve its economic status by maximizing the potential of its human and physical resources. Given the global trend of skills development for more competitiveness, there must be a training center to provide the necessary tools to the citizens of Magalang.

The establishment of a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training Center in Magalang will effectively equip the people with basic livelihood skills and knowledge that will help them sustain the worth of being productive individuals and enable them to become economically independent at an earlier age.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is highly and earnestly recommended.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA)
TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF MAGALANG, PAMPANGA 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
“*Magalang TESDA Training and Accreditation Center Act*”.

SEC. 2. **Establishment.** – There is hereby established the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in Municipality of Magalang, Pampanga under the supervision of the TESDA, hereinafter referred to as the Training and Accreditation Center.

SEC. 3. **General Mandate.** – The Training and Accreditation Center shall primarily provide technical and vocational training and skills development programs to low-income families and out-of-school youth in the Municipality of Magalang to make them productive, as well as to help them develop into middle-level skilled manpower, so as to hasten the social development of the

municipality and to meet the needs of both local and international markets. It shall also serve as the assessment center for technical and vocational skills in the municipality.

SEC.4. *Curriculum Offerings.* – The Training and Accreditation Center shall offer short-term technical –vocational certificate courses within its areas of specialization.

SEC. 5. *Administration.* – The Training and Accreditation Center shall be headed by a Technical Vocational Administrator under the supervision of The TESDA.

SEC. 6. *Appropriations.* – The Director General of the TESDA shall include in the TESDA's program the establishment of the Magalang TESDA Training and Accreditation Center, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The municipal government of Magalang shall also set aside funds from any available local revenues in an amount deemed appropriate by the municipal officials concerned as subsidy for the operationalization of the Training and Accreditation Center.

SEC. 7. *Implementing Rules and regulations.* – The TESDA, in coordination with the Department of Trade and Industry, shall formulate and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 8. *Separability Clause.* – If for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 9. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 10. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,