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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Municipality of Balilihan, Bohol is one among the many areas identified as a key production area (KPA) for quality breeds of animals and fisheries. The municipality must be prepared to implement this policy guideline as articulated by the Department of Agriculture and its allied agencies.

Presently, however, while the D.A. is mandated to coordinate with the local government of Balilihan, to effectively implement this policy, there is no educational institution which will educate the underprivileged but deserving students on its importance and impact on the general welfare of the municipality.

This bill seeks to address this concern by instilling in the minds of our youth the significance of agriculture and technical skills development.

During the 12th Congress, this bill was referred to the Joint House Committees on Higher & Technical Education and Appropriations on 1st Reading. But due to time constraints, this was never taken up again. This bill is re-filed for the consideration of this Congress.


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AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN EXTENSION CAMPUS OF THE CENTRAL VISAYAS STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND TECHNOLOGY (CVSCAFT) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALILIHAN, PROVINCE OF BOHOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Establishment of the Central Visayas State College of Agriculture, Forestry and Technology.* – There shall be established in the Municipality of Balilihan, Province of Bohol, an extension campus of the Central Visayas State College of Agriculture, Forestry and Technology, herein referred to as the Balilihan-CVSCAFT.

SEC. 2. *Administration.* – The Balilihan-CVSCAFT shall be jointly supervised and operated by the Department of Agriculture (DA) for the agricultural and fisheries school and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) for the technical education.

SEC. 3. *Courses.* – The Balilihan-CVSCAFT shall offer undergraduate and graduate courses in agriculture, fisheries, forestry, industrial education, engineering, arts and sciences, and other degree courses as the Board of Trustees of the CVSCAFT may deem necessary to implement its objectives, as provided for under Section 2 of Republic Act NO. 8659, otherwise known as the *CVSCAFT*. It shall also offer short-term technical or vocational courses within its areas of specialization, to meet the needs of the province or region.

SEC. 4. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to implement the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law.