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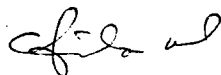
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Employment is a basic need everywhere in the country, especially in depressed provinces like Romblon. The country is producing thousands upon thousands of college graduates only to find themselves without jobs. In our province, we find many of our college graduates taking up menial jobs to fend for themselves, virtually ignorant of job opportunities abroad.

To keep our people updated on latest job requirements in foreign countries, we deem it imperative that the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration open and maintain a provincial office in Romblon where job applications for overseas employment may be processed. In these times of economic crunch, local job applicants will find great relief by having to submit their applications in the provincial office rather than in Manila.

The establishment of POEA provincial offices in provinces would help decongest Metro Manila and boost the President's program of generating millions of jobs for the Filipinos.

We implore Congress to approve this measure.


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AN ACT
AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A PROVINCIAL OFFICE
OF THE PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ROMBLON, PROVINCE
OF ROMBLON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

Section 1. The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration is hereby authorized to establish and maintain a provincial branch at the Municipality of Romblon, Province of Romblon, for the purpose of recruitment, evaluation, and processing of applicants for overseas employment.

Sec. 2. The amount necessary to implement the provisions of this Act shall initially come from the savings of the POEA. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the effective operation and maintenance of said office shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Sec. 3. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,