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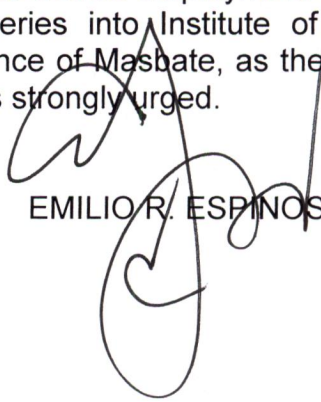
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
H. No. 5700

Introduced by Congressman Espinosa, Jr. (E)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Milagros School of Fisheries (popularly known as Masbate School of Fisheries) in the Municipality of Milagros, Province of Masbate was established in 1964 to cater the training needs of young and adults in the field of fisheries by providing secondary and post-secondary Technical-Vocational Education and Training program. But it is paradoxically, however to note that great number of people from coastal area fled to urban places to look for other technologies to complement their knowledge and skills in fisheries for the upliftment of their living standard. For this reason, the conversion of purely school of fisheries into Institute of Fisheries and Technology will help provide instructors for expanding programs in fisheries and other technology courses that will help alleviate the standard of living of the people in the present and future time.

The flight of the people both young and adults to schools in urban cities to acquire other skills in demand for immediate employment becomes the glaring indication of the necessity to provide training institutions that would address the needed skills for employment and self-employment. Creation of job is one of the 10 point agenda of the present administration to eliminate poverty. In order, therefore, to hasten the development of labor force for domestic jobs as well as employment abroad, there is a need to convert the present school of fisheries into Institute of Fisheries and Technology in the Municipality of Milagros, Province of Masbate, as the best means to meet such objective. Hence, approval of this bill is strongly urged.


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AN ACT CONVERTING THE MILAGROS SCHOOL OF FISHERIES, IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF MILAGROS, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, INTO THE
MASBATE INSTITUTE OF FISHERIES AND INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

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

1. SECTION 1. The Milagros School of Fisheries located in the Municipality of
2. Milagros, Province of Masbate, is hereby converted into an Institute of Fisheries and
3. Industrial Technology to be known as Masbate Institute of Fisheries and
4. Technology, hereinafter referred to as the Institute.
5. SECTION 2. The Institute shall be under the direct supervision of the Technical
6. Education and Skills Development Authority, hereinafter referred to as TESDA and
7. shall be headed by a Vocational School Administrator III.
8. SECTION 3. In order not to disrupt the present administrative operation of
9. Milagros (Masbate) School of Fisheries, the faculty of the school composed of
10. Instructors, Master Teacher, Vocational Instruction Supervisor of the Technical
11. Department as well as the Non-Teaching Personnel shall be absorbed by the new
12. Institute: Provided, that the position, rights and security of tenure of the faculty and
13. personnel shall not be impaired: Provided, further, that the incumbent School
14. Administrator shall be appointed as Vocational School Administrator
15. permanent head of the Institute.
16. Section 4. In addition to its present Three-Year Fishery Technical Education
17. Curriculum, the Institute shall offer post-secondary fishery and allied technology

18. courses, Technical Vocational Training Courses and such other courses as may be
19. authorized by TESDA.

20. SECTION 5. All property including the 22 hectares land site, assets, monies,
21. funds, existing appropriations and obligations of Milagros (Masbate) School of
22. Fisheries are hereby transferred to the Institute.

23. SECTION 6. The amount necessary for the implementation of this act shall be
24. charged against the current year's appropriations of the Milagros (Masbate) School
25. of Fisheries. Thereafter, such sums as in the annual General Appropriations Act.

26. SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved.