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HOUSE BILL NO. **1944**



Introduced by **Hon. Benhur L. Salimbangon**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

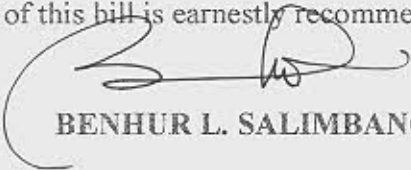
Education is a major factor in the development of a nation. A nation with fully educated populace brings forth progress and advancement to the society. The citadel of education is the school. It is where the formal education takes place. It is where the children learn and cope with the demands of the learning system. Its paramount objective is to provide the best education to its enrollees.

The Cebu Normal University (CNU for brevity) - Medellin Campus established on 2008 was envisioned to be the educational center in northern Cebu. It provides education not only to our students in the municipality of Medellin but also to those coming from the neighboring towns of Daanbantayan, San Remigio, Bantayan, Madridejos, Sta. Fe and Bogo City. With almost a hundred enrollees in the year 2008, CNU-Medellin Campus has now enrolled approximately 1,113 students for the first semester of school year 2013-2014.

Unfortunately, CNU-Medellin has not received any budgetary support from its mother unit. Since 2008, it is the local government of Medellin that appropriated millions of pesos for the operation and maintenance of the branch campus. With the consistent growth of enrollment and the increasing requirement for administrative personnel and school facilities, the local government of Medellin is facing financial challenge to continuously and efficiently operate and maintain the campus although it has been trying its best not prejudice the quality of education that the school provides.

It is therefore the purpose of this bill to grant the Cebu Normal University-Medellin Campus a budget allocation of its own. The present system works inimical to the purpose for which the campus was created. Without a separate budget of its own, CNU-Medellin will soon fall short of providing quality education which CNU is known for.

Hence, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly recommended.


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AN ACT PROVIDING THE CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY-MEDELLIN CAMPUS A
BUDGET SEPARATE FROM CEBU NORMAL UNIVERSITY MAIN CAMPUS, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. *Grant of Separate Budget Allocation.* The Cebu Normal University-Medellin Campus is hereby granted budgetary allocation of its own. Its budget must be separate from the budget of Cebu Normal University main campus which is its mother unit.

Section 2. *Appropriations.* The Commission on Higher Education shall immediately include in its budget the financial requirement for the operation and maintenance of Cebu Normal University-Medellin Campus, the funding of which shall be charged against its current year's appropriations. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the campus shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 3. *Implementation.* The Commission on Higher Education shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Section 4. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,