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HOUSE BILL NO. 5044



Introduced by **HON. RENE L. RELAMPAGOS**
First District, Bohol

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Skills development is a domain with full potential of contributing to the improvement of the local economy. With the emergence of the global market of skills, equipping the local constituents is, thus, a necessary requirement to meet the demands of the domestic and international local markets.

It is in this context and for the purpose of developing and enhancing the competencies of the local constituents in the First District of the Province of Bohol that the establishment of a specialized Training Center, under the direct supervision and control of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) and specifically for the Municipalities of Loon and Balilihan, Province of Bohol, becomes imperative.

Skills development in the areas of Tailoring, Dressmaking, Bread and Pastry Production, Commercial Cooking, Automotive Servicing, Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Consumer Electronics, among others, are recommended to be part of the training programs for the local constituents. This is to aptly prepare them for quality employment and entrepreneurship in the coming years.

Thus, the support for the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought from Members of this Congress.


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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A SPECIALIZED TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF LOON AND BALILIHAN, PROVINCE OF BOHOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Establishment and Expansion/Upgrading of TESDA Training Center. A specialized Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Skills Development Center is hereby established in the Municipalities of Loon and Balilihan in the Province of Bohol.

SECTION 2. Programs and Services. The TESDA Training Center shall provide technical skills and vocational programs that will enhance the competencies of local residents to prepare them for employment and/or entrepreneurship. This includes, but not limited to, Tailoring, Dressmaking, Bread and Pastry Production, Automotive Servicing, Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Consumer Electronics, Commercial Cooking, and other technical skills deemed appropriate for the residents in the communities and responsive to the demands of the local international labor markets.

SECTION 3. Implementing Rules and Regulations. TESDA, in coordination with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 4. Appropriations. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act on the year following the approval of this Act and every year thereafter.

Counterpart funding may also be sought, as may be available, from local and international grants, in connection with the construction, establishment and/or operations of the Skills Development Center.

SECTION 5. Donations. The Skills Development Center may receive donations of bequests of property or services which shall be utilized only for the implementation of the training program. Such donations or bequests of property shall be covered by the provisions of the National Internal Revenue Code exempting such from taxes and other fees and/or procedures.

SECTION 6. Repealing Clause. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, memoranda, rules and regulations contrary or inaccurate with the provision of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. 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 thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 8. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,