

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 5820



Introduced by Honorable Michelle M. Antonio

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to create a TESDA Training and Accreditation Center in the First District of Cagayan to be located in the town of Lal-lo.

After the implementation of the K to 12 program, there has been a notable increase in the number of dropouts in students in the secondary level. Up to 400,000 junior high school completers were estimated to have dropped out of the Philippine education system as of June 2016.¹ Such occurrence can mainly be attributed to poverty, as several families viewed the program to be an additional burden to their daily woes. Economic constraints have therefore lessened these students' chances of obtaining quality education. This will have more adverse effects later on in their lives, especially when they apply for jobs that require a certain level of educational attainment.

Therefore, the government must provide windows of opportunities for out-of-school youth and other citizens who choose to acquire additional vocational and technical skills to be more competitive and to keep up with increasing demands of working skills here and abroad.

Through this bill, out-of-school youth and other citizens of the First District of Cagayan will gain the opportunity to develop themselves to be self-reliant and learn new techniques geared towards earning a livelihood. This also provides the necessary atmosphere where inborn talents are developed into self-reliant individuals.

¹ <http://www.philstar.com/headlines/2016/06/14/1592807/400000-m-dropouts-due-senior-high>

With proper technology and resources, our constituents shall gain the technical knowledge to help themselves sustain the worth of being a productive individual of our society on a self-help basis.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this bill is highly urged.



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**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A
TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
(TESDA) TRAINING CENTER IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF CAGAYAN
TO BE LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF LAL-LO AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. Establishment. — There is hereby established a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training Center in the First District of Cagayan to be located in the town of Lal-lo, under the supervision of the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE).

SEC. 2. General Mandate. — The Training Center shall primarily provide technical and vocational training and skills development programs that will enhance the core competencies of individuals, without regard to gender, economic status, age, disability, creed or religious beliefs. Preference, however, shall be given to low-income families and out-of-school, including persons with disabilities in the town of Lal-lo. It shall also play a pivotal role in making the town a human resource capital

by helping the residents become productive, self-reliant and to develop into high-level skilled labor force so as to hasten the social and economic development of the province, as well as meet the needs of both local and international labor markets.

SEC. 3. Curricular Offerings – The Training and Accreditation Center shall offer short-term technical-vocational certificate courses within its areas of specialization.

SEC. 4. Government Support and Coordination. — The Secretary of Labor and Employment is hereby authorized to call upon any department, bureau, agency or instrumentality of the government for such assistance as may be necessary to effectively implement this Act.

SEC. 5. Appropriations. - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations. — Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the DOLE, the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the concerned LGU, and such other relevant agencies, shall formulate and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the implementation of this Act.

SEC. 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.

SEC. 8. Repealing Clause. - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 9. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,