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16 **EXPLANATORY NOTE**
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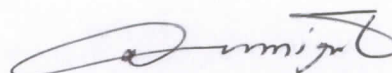
18 This bill seeks to establish the TESDA Skills, Training and Accreditation Center in the
19 municipality of Baras, Province of Catanduanes to be known as Baras TESDA – Handicraft,
20 Agricultural and IT Training Center.
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22 The establishment of an accessible, high quality and efficient technical education and
23 skills development center shall be beneficial not only to the new high school graduates but also
24 to college graduates and to ordinary citizens.
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26 The Lone District of Catanduanes is composed of eleven (11) municipalities, namely:
27 Virac, Bato, Baras, Bagamanoc, Caramoran, Gigmoto, Pandan, Panganiban, San Andres, San
28 Miguel, and Viga. While there are TESDA Training Centers in Virac, Bato, Pandan, and Viga,
29 far-flung areas in Catanduanes need access to TESDA training.
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31 This bill, which aims to equip citizens with basic practical knowledge and technical
32 expertise, is geared towards a society that is self-reliant, productive, and more importantly,
33 employable. The necessity for the creation of a TESDA in Baras, Catanduanes, shall serve the 11
34 municipalities of the Province, as well as neighboring provinces.
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36 In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.
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15 **AN ACT**
16 **PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND**
17 **SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) – TRAINING AND**
18 **ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BARAS, CATANDUANES,**
19 **TO BE KNOWN AS BARAS TESDA – HANDICRAFT, AGRICULTURAL, AND**
20 **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) TRAINING CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING**
21 **FUNDS THEREFOR**
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23 Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in
24 Congress assembled:
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26 **Section 1.** It is hereby created the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
27 (TESDA) – Training and Accreditation Center in Baras, Catanduanes, to be known as Baras
28 TESDA – Handicraft, Agriculture, and Information Technology (IT) Training Center.
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30 **Sec. 2.** Implementing Rules and Regulations. – The TESDA shall formulate the necessary
31 Implementing Rules and Regulations for the appropriate implementation of this Act.
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33 **Sec. 3.** Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall
34 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act on the year following the approval of this
35 Act and in every year thereafter.
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37 **Sec. 4.** Separability Clause. – If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional,
38 the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.
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40 **SEC. 13.** Repealing Clause. – All laws, executive orders, decrees, issuances, rules and
41 regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed
42 and/or modified accordingly.
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44 **SEC. 16.** *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
45 Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.
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47 Approved,