



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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 9653

Introduced by Representative Rolando “Klarex” A. Uy

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a campus of the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines in Barangay Lumbia, Cagayan de Oro City, Province of Misamis Oriental.

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides that “*The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.*”

The University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP) is a state university established by virtue of Republic Act No. 10919 with the merger of the Mindanao University of Science and Technology in Cagayan de Oro City and the Misamis Oriental State College of Agriculture and Technology in the Municipality of Claveria, Misamis Oriental.

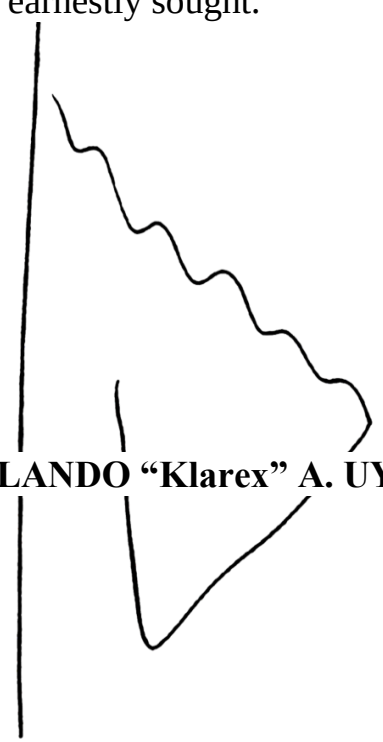
The main campus and the seat of administration of USTSP are located in the Municipality of Alubijid, Misamis Oriental. Other major campuses are located in Cagayan de Oro City and Claveria, and satellite campuses in the municipalities of Jasaan and Villanueva in Misamis Oriental, the Municipality of Panaon and Oroquieta City in Misamis Occidental, and in Barangay Balubal in the Second Legislative District of Cagayan de Oro City.

The new campus will be established in Barangay Lumbia in the First Legislative District of Cagayan de Oro City. Barangay Lumbia is one of the hinterland barangays located in the highland part of Cagayan de Oro City. It is a fast-growing barangay where business establishments, government institutions, and private offices are currently located.

The USTSP-Lumbia Campus will provide short-term technical and vocational education, undergraduate, and graduate courses and other areas of specialization. It will undertake research and extension services and production activities to support the socio-economic development of the city and the entire region.

Being accessible and affordable to all, the establishment of the USTP-Lumbia Campus will encourage the young individuals to realize their dreams of acquiring quality education. It will also be a good avenue to train and develop potential leaders in the area, as well as its neighboring barangays.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.



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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES IN BARANGAY LUMBIA,
CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, TO
BE KNOWN AS THE “UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF
SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES-LUMBIA CAMPUS”, AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There is established a campus of the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP) in Barangay Lumbia, Cagayan de Oro City, Province of Misamis Oriental, to be known as the “*University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines-Lumbia Campus.*”

SEC. 2. The USTSP-Lumbia Campus shall primarily provide short-term technical and vocational education, undergraduate and graduate courses within the USTSP’s competence and areas of specialization, as it may deem necessary by its Board of Regents to carry out its objectives, and those which respond to the human

resources development needs of Cagayan De Oro City and the Province of Misamis Oriental.

The USTSP-Lumbia Campus shall also undertake research and extension services, and production activities in support of the socio-economic development and provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 3. The USTSP-Lumbia Campus shall be headed by a campus administrator who shall render full-time services, and appointed or designated by the Board of Regents of the USTSP upon the recommendation of the search committee and the President of the USTSP. Such appointment or designation shall be subject to the guidelines, qualifications, and standards set by the Board of Regents.

SEC. 4. The establishment of USTSP-Lumbia Campus shall comply with the minimum requirements for its operation and program offerings as duly prescribed by Commission on Higher Education.

SEC. 5. Within the period of one hundred twenty (120) days from the approval of this Act, the USTSP-Lumbia Campus shall accomplish the following:

(a) Submit a five (5)-year development plan, including its corresponding program budget to the USTSP Board of Regents for recommendation to the Department of Budget and Management;

(b) Undergo a management audit in cooperation with the USTSP Board of Regents and CHED; and

(c) Set up its organizational, administrative, and academic structure, including the appointment and designation of the key officials of the USTSP-Lumbia Campus.

SEC. 6. The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the “*Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997*,” shall form an integral part of this Act, and together, shall serve as the governing charter of the University.

SEC. 7. All other powers, functions, privileges, responsibilities and limitations to state universities and its officials under existing laws shall be deemed granted to or imposed upon the USTSP-Lumbia Campus and its officials whenever appropriate.

SEC. 8. The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged to the current year’s appropriations of the USTSP. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,