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House Bill No. **2063**

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Fourth District
Province of Rizal**

Explanatory Note

This bill seeks to create the TESDA Skills and Training and Accreditation Center in Montalban, Province of Rizal to be known as Montalban TESDA Training and Accreditation Center.

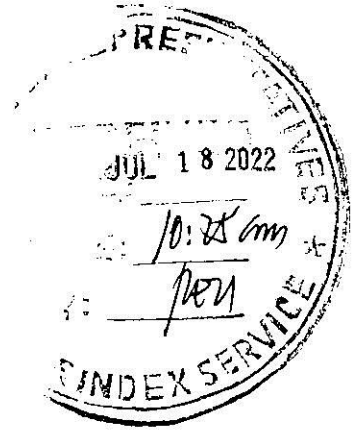
The establishment of an accessible, high quality, and efficient technical education and skills development center shall be beneficial not only to the grade 11 and grade 12 students, to the out of school youth, but also to any ordinary citizen in Montalban (Rodriguez), Rizal and its neighboring localities in the Rizal Province. Technical and vocational education have been proven beneficial in creating jobs and livelihood for our constituents without formal education.

This bill, which is aimed to equip the citizens with basic practical knowledge and technical expertise envisions a society that would be self-reliant, productive and more importantly, employable.

The necessity for the creation of a TESDA in Montalban (Rodriguez) shall serve the fourth district of Rizal Province with a least one million population, a majority are young and rearing to be members of the productive economy with the right tools on hand.

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


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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER IN MONTALBAN (RODRIGUEZ), PROVINCE OF RIZAL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MONTALBAN TESDA TRAINING CENTER AND ACCREDITATION CENTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE.

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

SECTION 1: Short Title – This Act shall be known as the “Montalban TESDA Training and Accreditation Center Act.”

Sec. 2. Establishment. – There is hereby established a Technical Education and Skills Development Center in Montalban (Rodriguez), Province of Rizal, under the supervision of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), to be known as the Montalban TESDA Training and Accreditation Center. It shall be established in a highly accessible location in the Municipality of Montalban (Rodriguez), Rizal pursuant to the purposes of this Act and to the mutual agreement between TESDA and the concerned local government units (LGUs).

Sec. 3. General Mandate. – The Montalban TESDA Training and Accreditation Center, hereinafter referred to as the Center, shall primarily provide relevant and quality technical-vocational education and training (TVET), including practical short-term specialty courses and one (1) year to three (3) year TESDA-registered technical-vocational skills programs and certificate courses, to out of school youth, high school students and graduates, unemployed and underemployed adults, other workers in the informal sector and residents from low-income families, as well as persons with disabilities, in Montalban and neighboring localities and communities in the Province of Rizal, especially from the second district, to help them become self-reliant and globally competitive labor base of the country.

The Center shall also aim to meet the maximum competency requirement under Level V of the Philippines Qualifications Framework (PQF) under existing laws, which is the diploma level in technical-vocational education.

The Center shall help train local residents in Montalban (Rodriguez), Rizal and adjacent areas in the Province of Rizal within the operational radius of the Center for the development into globally competitive middle to high-level skilled labor force to meet the manpower placement demands of both local and international labor markets

The Center, through its programs, shall promote the social and economic development of Montalban and greater Rizal Province area. The Center shall consider in the design of relevant technical-vocational training programs to be offered therein and the preferred skills categories according to identified development targets.

The Center shall also serve as TESDA-Accredited Assessment Center for acquired competencies in technical-vocational skills in Montalban.

The Center shall render relevant teachers' trainings assistance and curriculum design to the secondary schools offering technical-vocation livelihood (TVL) track under the K-12 Program of the DepEd in the communities and areas in Montalban and Rizal province.

Sec. 4 Curricular Offerings and Training. - The Center shall consult with relevant national agencies and industry partners in offering diverse certificate courses and trainings in relevant technical-vocational skills and trade specialization to align with employment standards in preferred and emerging markets.

The Center may establish research and technological, mobile and satellite training centers and hubs throughout its area of coverage.

The following shall be the priority areas for the training to be offered:

- a) Skills training in industry technology and hard trades and other related skills;
- b) Agriculture and aquaculture trainings and skills development;
- c) Environment, forest and natural resources management skills;
- d) Tourism and hospitality industry related skills.
- e) Social communication skills and development;
- f) Livelihood skills development;
- g) Basic business literacy training;
- h) Technical-vocational occupation and trades skills;
- i) Computer literacy and information technology skills and other allied skills;
- j) Personality development, career counselling, and job placements, work ethics, soft skills integration and values formation for workers;
- k) Other preferred priority skills and trade training that may be utilized by the people of Montalban.

Sec. 5. Compliance with TESDA Requirements. The provision of this Act notwithstanding, the Center established herein shall become operationally effective only upon the determination and declaration of TESDA, through the issuance of a formal recommendation and certificate of compliance, that the Center has satisfactorily complied with the minimum requirements for quality standards prescribed by TESDA for the competency assessments required for the skills assessment and compliance with such other TESDA conditionalities as may be necessary and applicable in establishing a TESDA-accredited training center.

Sec. 6. Administration. – The Center shall be headed by the Technical-Vocational Administrator, who shall be appointed by the TESDA Director-General in accordance with civil service rules and regulations and the qualification requirements for such office.

The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall render full-time services and shall be responsible for the administration and operation of the Center. As far as necessary and practicable, and subject to existing procedures and the approval of the TESDA Director-General, the Technical-Vocational Administrator shall enter into mutual agreement with local-based counterpart agencies, or instrumentalities and persons, both private and government, for such assistance as may be necessary to effectively implement this Act.

Sec. 7. Appropriations. The Secretary General of TESDA shall include in the Authority's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The LGUs concerned in consultation with TESDA, shall likewise set aside from any available local revenue an amount deemed appropriate as annual counterpart fund to support the operation of the Center established herein.

Sec. 8 Implementing Rules and Regulations. Within ninety (90) days after the approval of this Act, the TESDA, in coordination with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), the Department of Agriculture (DA), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Budget and Management (DBM), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the concerned LGUS and such other agencies and at least two representatives from the industry, shall prepare and issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Sec. 9. Separability Clause. In any clause, sentence, paragraph, or any part of this Act shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Act, but shall be confined in its operations to the clause, sentence, paragraph or part thereof directly involved in the controversy.

Sec. 10. Repealing Clause. All laws, orders, issuances, decrees, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Sec. 11. 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.