

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

House Bill No. **3262**



Introduced by **Representative Harris Christopher M. Ongchuan**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to create the TESDA Training and Accreditation Center in Barangay Rawis, in the Municipality of Laoang, Province of Northern Samar to be known as Laoang TESDA Skills and Training and Accreditation Center.

The main goal of Technical Education and skills Development Authority is to provide quality technical education and training programs to Filipino citizens so they can be employed in various industries. It is mandated to provide quality and cost-effective technical education and skills development and related opportunities.

It must be borne in mind, however, that most students who enroll in technical education programs come from the underprivileged sector of society. They do not have enough resources to defray the cost of their schooling. The convenience and availability of a TESDA Training and Accreditation Center in Rawis, Laoang, Northern Samar will provide my jobless constituents especially the out of school youth an opportunity to develop and learn new skills that will make them competitive labor forces so as to eventually help them earn a livelihood.

Currently, there is no TESDA center in the Second District of Northern Samar. With a population of more than 293,395 as of 2020, I believe that creating the same is necessary to uplift the lives of our fellow Nortehanons.

Establishing the TESDA center in Barangay Rawis in Laoang would make its services within reach not only to the benefits of students coming from its neighboring localities but also to those coming from the pacific towns in the Second District of Northern Samar.

In view of thereof, consideration and approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


HARRIS CHRISTOPHER M. ONGCHUAN

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

House Bill No. _____
Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

House Bill No. **3262**

Introduced by **Representative Harris Christopher M. Ongchuan**

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TECHNICAL
EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
LAOANG, PROVINCE OF NORTHERN SAMAR TO BE KNOWN AS THE
LAOANG TESDA TRAINING AND ACCREDITATION CENTER,
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

Section 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the "Laoang TESDA Training
and Accreditation Center Act"

Sec. 2. Establishment. - There is hereby established a Technical Education and
Skills Development Center in the Municipality of Laoang, Province of Northern Samar,
under the supervision of the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority
(TESDA) to be known as the Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and
Accreditation Center.

Sec. 3. General Mandate. - The Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and
Accreditation Center shall primarily provide technical-vocational education training
(TVET) and skills development programs to students from low-income families and
out-of-school youth, including persons with disabilities and indigenous peoples, in the
Municipality of Laoang and adjacent municipalities in the Province of Northern Samar
to help them become productive, self-reliant and develop them to become globally
competitive labor assets.

The Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and Accreditation Center shall also serve as the Assessment Center for acquired competencies in technical-vocational skills in the whole Province of Northern Samar. It shall also render relevant teacher's training assistance and curriculum design to the secondary schools offering the technical-vocational livelihood (TVL) track under the K to 12 Program, in coordination with the Department of Education (DepED) and the TESDA.

Sec. 4. Curricular Offerings. - The Laoang Northern Samar TESDA Training and Accreditation Center shall offer short-term certificate courses in preferred market-driven and relevant technical-vocational courses within its areas of specialization. To this end, the Department of Labor of Employment (DOLE), Department of Trade of Industry (DTI), Department of Science and Technology (DOST), Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA) and other relevant agencies, both local and international, shall provide the necessary assistance to enable the Center to develop skilled manpower to achieve a vigorous and inclusive economy in the host area and its adjacent localities.

The Center shall offer the following TVET programs with competencies assessment leading to National Certification Levels 1-III:

(a) Skills training in industrial technology and hard trades such as metal and steelwork, machine fabrication and operation, heavy equipment operation, automotive mechanic, refrigeration and air conditioning, electronics, and operation of power tools and equipment for both medium skills grade and industrial purposes;

(b) Agriculture and aquaculture-related trainings and skills development in such areas as farming technology, fishing operations technology, backyard farming and home-based aquaculture and propagation innovations, mechanized farm, fishing tools and equipment operation, agribusiness, agri-aqua trade technology and innovations, an relevant farmers and fisher folk's trainings tor increased productivity and entrepreneurship;

(c) Livelihood skills development courses for preferred skills employment and small-scale entrepreneurship, including practical skills education in arts and crafts, workmanship and design, high-speed sewing, dressmaking and tailoring, horticulture, livestock raising and breeding, food processing technology, home technology, culinary arts and commercial cooking, cosmetology, and health and wellness training;

(d) Technical-vocational occupation and trades skills such as carpentry, masonry, plumbing, welding, practical electricity and installation, automotive servicing, electronics servicing personal computer (PC) servicing, and such other relevant practical skills courses;

(e) Computer literacy and information technology (IT)-related skills, digital technology web design, animation, photoshop/online photography., computer design, and advertising;

(f) Seminars on personality development, career counseling, job placement, and work ethic and values, and

(g) Other preferred skills and trades training that may be needed by the people of Northern Samar to enhance their capacities for practical livelihood, gainful employment, and entrepreneurial activities.

Sec. 5. School Site. - The Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and Accreditation Center shall be established in Barangay Rawi, Laoang, Northern Samar, which is highly accessible pursuant to the purposes of this Act and to the mutual agreement between the TESDA and the concerned local government unit (LGU)

Sec. 6. Administration. - The Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and Accreditation Center shall be headed by a Technical-Vocational Administrator under the supervision of the TESDA. The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall be appointed by the TESDA Director-General in accordance with civil service rules and regulations and the qualification requirements of the TESDA.

The Technical-Vocational Administrator shall render full-time services and shall be responsible for the administration and operation of the Laoang, Northern Samar TESDA Training and Accreditation Center.

Sec. 7. Appropriations. - The Director-General of the 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.

Sec. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - Within sixty (90) days after the effectivity of this Act, the TESDA, in coordination with 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 effective implementation of this Act.

Sec. 9. Separability Clause, - If, for any reason, any section of this Act shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof shall not be affected and shall thereby remain in force and effect.

Sec. 10. Repealing Clause, - All laws, executive orders, decrees, instructions, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with any provision 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 newspaper of general circulation

Approved,