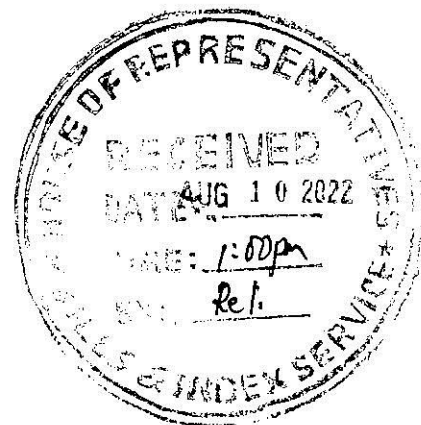


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House Bill No. 3443



Introduced by: REPRESENTATIVE EDWIN L. OLIVAREZ

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POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES-PARAÑAQUE
CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill earnestly seeks for the conversion of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines – Parañaque (Annex) Campus into a regular campus.

PUP Parañaque was established on May 12, 2011 with the same mission as the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) in Sta. Mesa, Manila which is helping the poor but deserving students. It is the culmination of a partnership between the City Government of Parañaque and PUP which started way back in May 10, 1990 when then PUP President Dr. Nemesio Prudente and Mayor Walfrido Ferrer signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) establishing Parañaque as Center for PUP's Pamantasang Bayan.

Through the Ordinance No. 91-107 and 11-03 and Resolution No. 04-35 and 07-39, the Pamantasang Bayan Center of the PUP was converted into a regular campus.

True to its commitment of providing quality and accessible education for the citizens of Parañaque, the City Government, headed by its Mayor, Hon. Mayor Edwin L. Olivarez, extended the operation of PUP in Parañaque City for 12 years

through the Memorandum of Agreement which was signed by the parties on October 11, 2021.

Whilst the commitment to afford quality education to the citizens of Parañaque is there, the funding provided by the City Government to PUP Parañaque Campus is not sufficient considering that it also administers the Parañaque City College, necessitating the conversion of the PUP Parañaque into a regular campus.

The enactment of the said law will evidently resolve the funding concerns of the PUP – Parañaque Campus which in turn will proliferate educational efficiency among the constituents of the City of Parañaque.



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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "*Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP)-Parañaque Campus Act*".

SEC. 2. The existing PUP Parañaque Annex Campus, an extension campus of the PUP located in the City of Parañaque, is hereby converted into a regular campus of the PUP, to be known as the PUP-Parañaque Campus.

SEC. 3. The PUP-Parañaque Campus shall primarily provide short-term technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within its areas of competency and specialization, pursuant to the mandate of the PUP, and according to its capabilities as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary to respond to the human resource development needs

of the City of Parañaque. It is also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 4. The PUP-Parañaque Campus shall be headed by a Campus Administrator who shall be appointed by the Board, subject to its guidelines on qualifications and standards, and based on the recommendation of a search committee duly constituted for the purpose of selecting the Campus Administrator.

SEC. 5. The PUP shall ensure that the minimum requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of the PUP-Parañaque Campus, including those related to its course offerings, are fully complied with.

SEC. 6. All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the PUP Parañaque (Annex) Campus, as well as liabilities or obligations, shall be transferred to the PUP. The positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws prior to its conversion into a regular campus shall be respected.

All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the PUP Parañaque Campus shall be transferred to the PUP: *Provided*, That should the campus or the PUP cease to exist or be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the PUP, the same shall revert to the local government unit concerned or to the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

SEC. 7. The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997", shall form part of this Act.

SEC. 8. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

The City of Parañaque shall continue to fund the operation and maintenance of the PUP-Parañaque Campus until such time that the amount needed to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual GAA.

SEC. 9. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Board shall, in consultation with the CHED, issue the rules and regulations to fully implement the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 10. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 11. All other laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 12. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,