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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Bill No. **7155**



Introduced by Honorable Roy M. Loyola

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Under Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution, the State is mandated to 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. Further, Section 2 (1) of the same provides that the State shall establish, maintain, and support a complete, adequate, and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

This bill seeks to convert the Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology (EARIST)- Cavite Campus located in the Municipality of General Mariano Alvarez, Province of Cavite into a regular campus.

The Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology (EARIST) was founded in 1945 as a vocational high school and was converted into a State Institute by virtue of Presidential Decree (PD) No. 1524 enacted on June 11, 1978. The EARIST is envisioned to be a center of excellence in trades, business, arts, and science and technology education. Its goal is to provide professional, scientific, technological, technical and vocational institution and training in trades, business, arts, sciences and technology, promote research, advanced studies and progressive leadership. Its main campus is located in Nagtahan, Sampaloc, Manila.

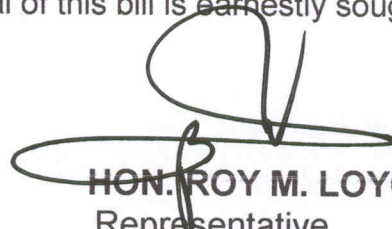
The EARIST- Cavite Campus, a satellite campus located in Gen. Mariano Alvarez, Cavite, was established on March 24, 1982. It operates with the

funding support from the budgetary allotment of its mother institution, EARIST Manila. Its present school site was donated by the National Housing Authority in 1986 while the buildings inside the campus were constructed through the efforts of EARIST officials, the Provincial Government of Cavite and the Fifth District of Cavite.

Once converted into a regular campus, EARIST-Cavite Campus will now have regular fund allocation in the national annual budget for its operations which will encourage the expansion of its services and facilities in order to provide quality education to more students not only from Gen. Mariano Alvarez, Cavite but also from the neighboring municipalities in Cavite and the CALABARZON region.

Further, EARIST-Cavite Campus is the only State College in Gen. Mariano Alvarez, Cavite that provides quality science and technology education with the lowest tuition fee for the less privileged but deserving students. Thus, there is an urgent need to convert this into a regular campus to expand and ensure access to free and quality education for the young people of Cavite.

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



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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE EULOGIO "AMANG" RODRIGUEZ INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (EARIST)- CAVITE CAMPUS OF THE EULOGIO "AMANG" RODRIGUEZ INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GENERAL MARIANO ALVAREZ, PROVINCE OF CAVITE, INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS TO BE KNOWN AS THE EARIST-CAVITE CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** This Act shall be known as the Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez
2 Institute of Science and Technology- Cavite Campus Act".

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4 **SEC. 2.** The existing campus of the Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez Institute
5 of Science and Technology located in the Municipality of General Mariano
6 Alvarez, Province of Cavite, is hereby converted into a regular campus, to be
7 known as the Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology
8 (EARIST) - Cavite Campus.

9 **SEC. 3.** The EARIST-Cavite Campus shall primarily provide short-term
10 technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within their areas
11 of competency and specialization pursuant to their mandate, and according to
12 their capabilities as the Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the Board,
13 may deem necessary for the accomplishment of their objectives and those
14 which respond to the human resources development needs of the Province of
15 Cavite and of Region IV-A (CALABARZON). It is also mandated to undertake

research and extension services, and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 4. The EARIST-Cavite 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 EARIST-Cavite Campus shall ensure that the minimum requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of the Campus, including those related to its course offerings, are fully complied with.

SEC. 6. All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the EARIST-Cavite Campus, as well as liabilities or obligations, shall be titled under or named after the Institute.

All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the EARIST-Cavite Campus shall be property of the Eulogio "Amang" Rodriguez Institute of Science and Technology (EARIST), and shall be titled under its name: *Provided*, That should the campus cease to exist or be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be longer needed by the Institute, 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 Municipality of General Mariano Alvarez shall provide the same assistance until such time that the amount necessary for the continued

49 operation and maintenance of EARIST-Cavite Campus shall be included in the
50 annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

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

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

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

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

Approved,