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HOUSE BILL NO. 7643



Introduced by HON. BAMBI B. EMANO

**AN ACT CONVERTING THE SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE BUKIDNON
STATE UNIVERSITY LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALUBIJID IN
THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS
OF THE BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 2 of the 1987 Constitution states 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."

Bukidnon State University has satellite campuses in several municipalities in the provinces of Bukidnon and Misamis Oriental, all of which are located in Northern Mindanao. Given the enormous region covered, autonomously running these satellite schools is a major undertaking for the Bukidnon State University. As a result, it would be preferable to convert each campus in every municipality into a regular campus. To optimize the Bukidnon State University, this bill seeks to convert the satellite campus of the Bukidnon State University in the Municipality of Alubijid into a regular campus hereunder conduct undergraduate and graduate courses, as well as short-term technical-vocational programs, within their areas of skill and specialty.

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

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

SECTION 1. *Conversion of the Bukidnon State University Satellite Campus in the Municipality of Alubijid into a Regular Campus.* - The Bukidnon State University (BUKSU) Satellite Campus located in the Municipality of Alubijid in the Province of Misamis Oriental is hereby converted into a regular campus of the Bukidnon State University (BukSU) to be known as BukSU-Alubijid.

SECTION 2. *General Mandate.* - The campus created in Section 1 hereof shall primarily provide undergraduate and graduate courses, short-term technical-vocational programs, within their areas of competency and specialization, pursuant to the mandate of the BukSU, and according to their capabilities as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the BOR, may deem necessary to respond to the human resources and development needs of the Province of Misamis Oriental and Region X. The campus is also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and to provide progressive leadership in their area.

SECTION 3. *Administration of Campus.* - The University President shall have overall supervision and management over the campus created. The campus shall be headed by a Campus Director who shall render full-time service and who shall be appointed or designated by the BOR, upon the recommendation of the University President, subject to the guidelines on qualifications and standards set by the BOR.

Subject to the usual government accounting and budgeting rules and regulations, the Campus Director is hereby authorized to cause the construction or repair of buildings, machinery, equipment, and other facilities and the purchase and acquisition of real property, including necessary supplies, materials, and equipment.

SECTION 4. *Compliance with CHED Requirements.* - The BukSU shall ensure that the minimum requirements of the Commission of Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of the campus, including those related to its course offerings, are fully complied with.

SECTION 5. *Personnel, Land and Other Real Properties.* - All assets, real and personnel, and records of the BukSU Satellite Campus, as well its liabilities or obligations, shall be transferred to the BukSU. The positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws prior to the conversion into a regular campus shall be respected.

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

SECTION 6. *Appropriations.* - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act: Provided, That the local government unit of the Municipality of Alubijid in the Province of Misamis Oriental shall provide some assistance until such time that the amount necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the campus shall be included in the Annual Appropriations Act.

SECTION 7. *Suppletory Application.* - The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997", and Republic Act No. 9456, otherwise known as the "Act Converting Bukidnon State College in the City of Malaybalay, Province of Bukidnon into a State University to be known as Bukidnon State University, and Appropriating Funds Therefor", shall form as integral part of this Act.

SECTION 8. *Parity Clause.* - All other powers, functions, privileges, responsibilities and limitations to state colleges and universities and/or its officials under existing laws shall be deemed granted to or imposed upon the campus hereof and/or its officials, whenever appropriate.

SECTION 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Board, in consultation with CHED, shall determine the implementing rules and regulations to fully implement the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 10. *Separability Clause.* - 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.

SECTION 11. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,