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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 8012



**Introduced by Representative DAVID "Jay-Jay" C. SUAREZ
and Representative ANNA MARIE VILLARAZA- SUAREZ**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 17 of Article II of the 1987 Constitution establishes the State's policy of prioritizing education, science and technology, the arts, culture, and sports to promote nationalism, patriotism, social progress, and the holistic development of all individuals.

Republic Act No. 9395 transformed the Southern Luzon State University (SLSU), a renowned institution of higher learning in the Province of Quezon, from a Polytechnic College to a State University. SLSU's main campus is located in the Municipality of Lucban, Province of Quezon.

SLSU offers advanced education, professional training, and technological instruction in various fields, including allied medicine, education, engineering, agriculture, fisheries, forestry, environmental science, arts and sciences, accountancy, cooperative business, entrepreneurship, and technology. Additionally, the university conducts research, provides extension and production services, and demonstrates progressive leadership in its areas of expertise.

To expand its capacity to provide exceptional education, the SLSU has established extension campuses throughout the province, particularly in the cities of Tayabas and Lucena, as well as in the municipalities of Tiaong, Gumaca, Catanaun, Infanta, Polilio, and Alabat.

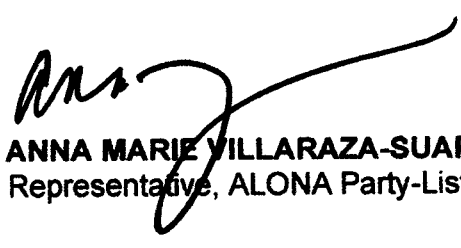
In order to sustain its commitment to high quality education, SLSU requires additional funding to meet the growing demand for higher tertiary education in the Province of Quezon. These funds will be allocated towards the constructing the necessary infrastructure, acquiring equipment, and hiring additional staff.

The bill specifically aims to convert the Southern Luzon State University- Lucena Extension Campus into a regular campus, further enhancing the educational landscape in the City of Lucena, Province of Quezon.

In view of the foregoing circumstances, the prompt passage of this bill is imperative to enhance the quality of education in the City of Lucena, Province of Quezon.



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AN ACT

**CONVERTING THE EXTENSION CAMPUS OF SOUTHERN LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE CITY OF
LUCENA, PROVINCE OF QUEZON INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Be it passed by the Philippine Senate and House of Representatives in Congress, in session:

SECTION 1. Short Title – This Act shall be known as the "Southern Luzon State University - Lucena Campus (SLSU- Lucena Campus)" Act.

SEC. 2. Objectives – The objective of this Act is to establish a regular campus of Southern Luzon State University (SLSU) in the City of Lucena. The SLSU- Lucena Campus shall provide advanced education, professional training, and technological instructions in various fields, including allied medicine and health sciences, education, engineering, agriculture, fisheries, forestry, environmental science, arts and sciences, accountancy, cooperative, business and entrepreneurship, technology, and other fields of study. Furthermore, the campus shall engage in research, extension services, production, and demonstrate progressive leadership in its respective areas of expertise.

SEC. 3. Conversion. – The extension campus of Southern Luzon State University City of Lucena shall be converted into a regular campus of SLSU, known as the SLSU-Lucena Campus.

SEC. 4. Compliance with CHED Requirements. – The SLSU-Lucena Campus shall comply with all the necessary minimum standards and requirements set by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for its operations and program offerings.

SEC. 5. Transfer of Assets. – The SLSU-Lucena Extension Campus shall transfer all physical and personal assets, employees, and records to the SLSU-Lucena Campus. The positions, rights, and tenure of the faculty members and staff employed under the applicable legislation shall be protected. Government- owned parcels of land currently used by SLSU-Lucena Extension Campus shall be transferred to the SLSU-Lucena Campus and bear its name. However, should the campuses or the SLSU cease to exist or be abolished, or if the SLSU no longer requires the aforementioned parcels of land, they shall revert to the relevant Local Government Unit or the Republic of the Philippines, as applicable.

SEC. 6. Implementing Rules and Regulations - The CHED, in consultation with the stakeholders and all government agencies concerned shall promulgate the necessary guidelines and implementing rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

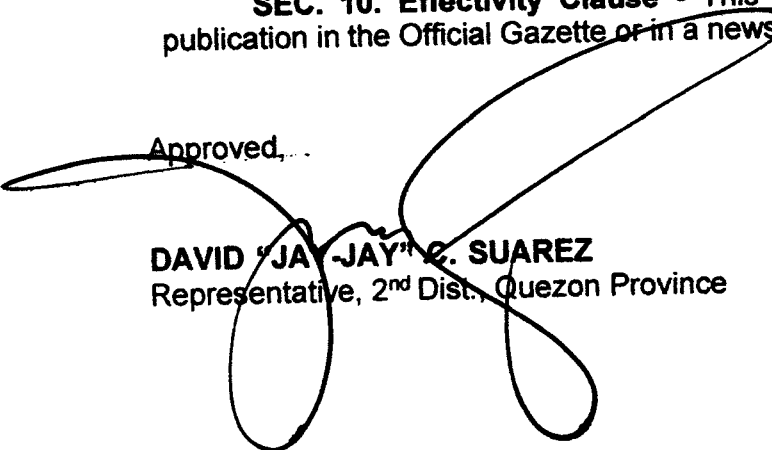
SEC. 7. Appropriations - The necessary funds for the implementation of this Act shall be sourced from the annual General Appropriations Act and other funding sources, including donations from adopters and other interested parties.

SEC. 8. Separability Clause - If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity and effectivity of the other provisions hereof.

SEC. 9. Repealing Clause - All laws, decrees, orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 10. Effectivity Clause - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved...


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