



Republic of the Philippines

House of Representatives

Quezon City, Metro Manila



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HOUSE BILL NO. 8605

Introduced by Representative Christian S. Unabia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the satellite campus of the Bukidnon State University (BukSU) in the Municipality of Medina, Province of Misamis Oriental into a regular campus of the Bukidnon State University to be known as the “*Bukidnon State University-Medina*” or BukSU-Medina.

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution provides that, “*The State shall 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.*” Furthermore, Section 2 (1), Article XIV of the 1987 Constitution 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.*”

The Bukidnon State University is located in Malaybalay, Bukidnon but has several satellite campuses in the municipalities of Baungon, Cabanglasan, Damulog, Impasug-ong, Kadingilan, Kalilangan, Kitaotao, Libona, Malitbog, Quezon, San Fernando, and Talakag, in the Province of Bukidnon, and in the municipalities of Alubijid, Medina, Sugbongcogon, and Talisayan, in the Province of Misamis Oriental. The satellite campuses of the BukSU have been significant in providing quality education to students coming from the different areas of Northern Mindanao. However, due to the various locations of the satellite campuses of BukSU, the operation of the said satellite campuses is very challenging and difficult. It is essential to recognize the need to convert the satellite campus in Medina into a regular campus, equipped with its own facilities, faculty members and administrative support.

The conversion of the BukSU satellite campus in Medina into a regular campus will definitely benefit the residents of the Municipality of Medina and its adjoining municipalities because it will enhance academic experiences, foster faculty and staff development, strengthen research, and enable greater community engagement.

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



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AN ACT

**CONVERTING THE SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE BUKIDNON
STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MEDINA,
PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS
OF THE BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE
BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY-MEDINA AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The Bukidnon State University (BukSU) Satellite Campus
in the Municipality of Medina, Province of Misamis Oriental is hereby
converted into a regular campus of the Bukidnon State University to be known
as the “*Bukidnon State University- Medina*” or “*BukSU-Medina*.”

SEC. 2. The BukSU-Medina shall primarily provide short-term,
technical-vocational, undergraduate and graduate courses, short-term technical-
vocational programs, within its areas of competencies and specialization,
pursuant to the mandate of the BukSU, and according to its capabilities as the

1 Board of Regents of the Bukidnon State University, hereinafter referred to as
2 the Board, may deem necessary to respond to the human resources and
3 development needs of the Province of Misamis Oriental and Region X. The
4 campus is also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and to
5 provide progressive leadership in these areas.

6 SEC. 3. The University President of the Bukidnon State University shall
7 have overall supervision and management over BukSU-Medina. The campus
8 shall be headed by a Campus Director who shall render full-time service and
9 who shall be appointed or designated by the Board, upon the recommendation
10 of the University President, subject to the guidelines on qualifications and
11 standards set by the Board.

12 Subject to the usual government accounting and auditing rules, and
13 regulations, the Campus Director is hereby authorized to disburse funds for
14 minor repair of buildings, machinery, equipment, and other facilities, including
15 the procurement of necessary office supplies. Procurement of real properties,
16 machineries and equipment considered as capital outlays shall be approved by
17 the University President.

18 SEC. 4. The Bukidnon State University shall ensure that the minimum
19 requirements of the Commission on Higher Education for the operation of the
20 BukSU-Medina, including those related to its course offerings, are fully
21 complied with.

1 SEC. 5. All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the
2 BukSU Satellite Campus in Medina, as well its liabilities or obligations, shall be
3 transferred to the BukSU-Medina. The positions, rights, and security of tenure
4 of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws prior to
5 the conversion into a regular campus shall be respected.

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

12 SEC. 6. The amount necessary to carry out the initial implementation of
13 this Act shall be charged against the current year's funding of the Bukidnon
14 State University. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the continued
15 operation and maintenance of the BukSU-Medina campus shall be included in
16 the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

17 The Municipality of Medina may also provide assistance until such time
18 that the amount necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the
19 BukSU-Medina shall be included in the annual GAA.

20 SEC. 7. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Board
21 shall, in consultation with the Commission on Higher Education, promulgate the
22 necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

1 SEC. 8. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and
2 regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are
3 repealed or modified accordingly.

4 SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
5 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

6 Approved,