



Republic of the Philippines

House of Representatives

Quezon City, Metro Manila



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HOUSE BILL NO. 8606

Introduced by Representative Christian S. Unabia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

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

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 has several satellite campuses in the municipalities of Talisayan, Alubijid, Medina, and Sugbongcogon, all in the Province of Misamis Oriental. These satellite campuses of the Bukidnon State University have provided quality education to students coming from the different areas of Northern Mindanao but the management and operation of the satellite campuses have been very challenging and a difficult task due to its wide coverage.

Thus, the conversion of the satellite campus in Talisayan into a regular campus will be beneficial to the Bukidnon State University and the residents of Talisayan and neighboring municipalities. Establishing the Bukidnon State University – Talisayan will foster faculty and staff development, increase access to education, enhance academic offerings, including research and development,

strengthen institutional capacity, facilitate regional development and economic growth, and encourage greater community engagement.

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



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1 **AN ACT**

2 **CONVERTING THE SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE BUKIDNON**
3 **STATE UNIVERSITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALISAYAN,**
4 **PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS**
5 **OF THE BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE**
6 **BUKIDNON STATE UNIVERISTY–TALISAYAN AND**
7 **APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**
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9 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in*
10 *Congress assembled:*
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12 SECTION 1. The Bukidnon State University (BukSU) Satellite Campus
13 in the Municipality of Talisayan, Province of Misamis Oriental is hereby
14 converted into a regular campus of the Bukidnon State University to be known
15 as the “*Bukidnon State University – Talisayan*” or BukSU – Talisayan.

16 SEC. 2. The BukSU – Talisayan shall primarily provide short-term
17 technical-vocational programs and undergraduate and graduate courses within
18 its areas of competency and specialization, pursuant to the mandate of the
19 BukSU, and according to its capabilities as the Board of Regents of the

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

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

11 Subject to existing budgeting, accounting and auditing laws, rules and
12 regulations, the Campus Director is authorized to disburse funds for minor
13 repair of buildings, machinery, equipment, and other facilities, including the
14 procurement of necessary office supplies and materials. The procurement of
15 any real property, machinery or equipment considered as capital outlays must be
16 approved by the University President.

17 SEC. 4. The BukSU shall ensure that the minimum requirements of the
18 Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of the BukSU –
19 Talisayan, are fully complied with, including those related to its course
20 offerings.

1 SEC. 5. All assets, real and personal, personnel and records of the
2 BukSU Satellite Campus in Talisayan, as well its liabilities or obligations, shall
3 be transferred to the BukSU – Talisayan.

4 All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the campus
5 shall be transferred to the BukSU – Talisayan. If the campus or BukSU –
6 Talisayan ceased to exist or abolished, or if the parcels of land were no longer
7 needed by the BukSU – Talisayan, the same shall revert to the local government
8 unit concerned or to the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

9 SEC. 6. The amount necessary to carry out the initial operation of
10 BukSU – Talisayan shall be charged against the current appropriations of
11 Bukidnon State University. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the
12 continued operation of BukSU – Talisayan shall be included in the General
13 Appropriations Act (GAA).

14 The local government unit of the Municipality of Talisayan, Misamis
15 Oriental may provide assistance until such time that the amount necessary for
16 the continued operation and maintenance of the BukSU – Talisayan shall be
17 included in the annual GAA.

18 SEC. 7. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Board
19 shall, in consultation with CHED, promulgate the necessary rules and
20 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

1 SEC. 8. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and
2 regulations inconsistent with or contrary to 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,