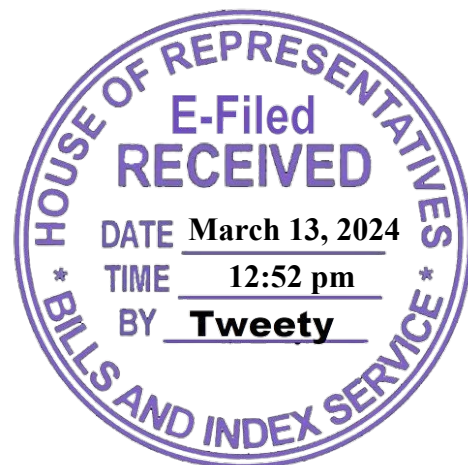


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall likewise take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all.

The Southern Luzon State University – Catanaun Extension campus caters to poor and qualified youth residents not only from the Municipality of Catanaun but to other nearby localities such as Mulanay, Buenavista, San Narciso, Buenavista, San Francisco and General Luna, including municipalities from other districts and provinces such as Alabat and Marinduque, among others. In order to make tertiary education more accessible to the people in Bondoc Peninsula, Quezon, as well as the neighboring municipalities, this bill seeks to convert the Southern Luzon State University – Catanaun Extension campus into a regular campus, to be known as Southern Luzon State University – Catanaun.

The proposed conversion to a regular campus would help in guaranteeing the accessibility and equal opportunity to modern quality education while aiming to be a catalyst in the pursuit of academic excellence in industrial, technological, agricultural, and professional fields to meet the skills and knowledge needed to improve their economic opportunities towards the socio-economic development of the country.

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

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REYNANTE U. ARROGANCIA

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AN ACT

**CONVERTING THE SOUTHERN LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY – CATANAUAN
EXTENSION CAMPUS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CATANAUAN, PROVINCE
OF QUEZON, INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS OF THE SOUTHERN LUZON STATE
UNIVERSITY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE SOUTHERN LUZON STATE UNIVERSITY –
CATANAUAN CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

1 **SECTION 1. *Short Title.*** This act shall be known as the “Southern Luzon State University –
2 Catanauan Campus Act.”
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4 **SEC. 2. *Conversion.*** The existing Extension Campus of the Southern Luzon State University
5 (SLSU) located in the Municipality of Catanauan, Province of Quezon, is hereby converted into a
6 regular campus, to be known as the SLSU-Catanauan Campus.
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8 **SEC. 3. *General Mandate.*** The SLSU-Catanauan Campus shall primarily provide short-term
9 vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within its areas of competency and specialization,
10 pursuant to the mandate of the SLSU, and according to its capability, as the Board of Regents,
11 hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary to respond to the human resource
12 development needs of the Province of Quezon and Region IV-A. It shall be mandated to undertake
13 research and extension services and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.
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15 **SEC. 4. *Supervision and Management of SLSU-Catanauan Campus.*** The SLSU-Catanauan
16 Campus shall be headed by a Campus Administrator who shall be appointed by the Board, subject
17 to the guidelines, qualifications and standards, and upon recommendation of a search committee
18 duly constituted for the purpose of selecting the Campus Administrator.
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20 **SEC. 5. *Compliance with the Requirements of the Commission on Higher Education.*** - The
21 SLSU shall ensure the compliance of the SLSU-Catanauan Campus with the policies, standards,

and guidelines of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of regular campuses, including those related to the offering of courses and the introduction of new or revised programs prior to its conversion as a regular campus.

SEC. 6. *Management of Personnel, Assets and Records of the Campus.* - All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the SLSU – Catanauan Extension Campus, as well as liabilities or obligations, shall be titled under, or named after the SLSU.

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

SEC. 7. *Supplementary Application.* - 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. *Appropriations.* - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

The Municipality of Catanauan shall continue to provide funding assistance for the operations of the SLSU-Catanauan Campus until such time that the amount necessary for its concerned operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual GAA.

SEC. 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.

SEC. 10. *Separability Clause.* - If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared valid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 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.

SEC. 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,