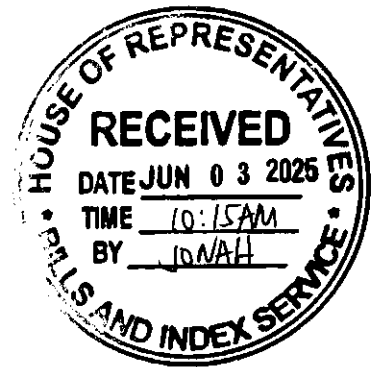


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) is entrusted with the vital mandate of promoting quality education and ensuring access to higher education for all Filipino students. To effectively fulfill this mission, it is imperative that CHED's services reach areas where guidance and support for higher education are most needed. Establishing satellite offices in key locations ensures more efficient and accessible service delivery to stakeholders across the country.

Naga City stands as a major economic, cultural, and educational hub in the Bicol Region. It is home to numerous higher education institutions and caters not only to students from within the city but also from surrounding municipalities and provinces. A local CHED presence, therefore, would significantly reduce the logistical and financial burdens faced by students, educators, and school administrators who currently need to travel to distant regional offices for essential services such as scholarship applications, program accreditation, document processing, and policy consultations. Moreover, the presence of a satellite office in Naga would strengthen the government's commitment to decentralization, ensuring that educational development is not limited to Metro Manila or regional capitals.

This bill seeks to institutionalize the establishment of a CHED satellite office in Naga City, thereby promoting more inclusive and efficient educational service delivery in the Bicol Region.

The passage of this measure is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SATELLITE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION
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SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a provincial office of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) in Naga City, Province of Camarines Sur, to be known as the CHED – Naga City Satellite Office, which shall exercise jurisdiction over the city of Naga and shall be headed by a city director. The CHED – Naga City Satellite Office shall be located in Naga City, Province of Camarines Sur.

SECTION 2. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the CHED, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), shall determine the organizational structure and staffing pattern for the CHED – Naga City Satellite Office. The said organizational structure and staffing pattern shall be submitted to the Chairperson of the CHED and the Secretary of the DBM for approval.

SECTION 3. The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED's programs the operationalization of the CHED – Naga City Satellite Office.

SECTION 4. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5. The CHED shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act within sixty (60) days from its approval.

SECTION 6. Separability Cause. - If any provision or part hereof, is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 7. Repealing Cause. - All laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations, and administrative regulations or parts thereof inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. 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,