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HOUSE BILL NO. 283



Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE LAARNI LAVIN ROQUE**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Education is fundamental to the realization of inclusive growth, as it begets knowledge and culture, education finds its practical articulation and demonstration in the world of work. Thus, knowledge, as it is inextricably embedded with people replete with ideas and bursting with entrepreneurial spirits, is valued as the key strategic resource to achieving growth objectives. Commitment to education acknowledges the different pathways toward acquiring knowledge, of which technical and vocational education and training, as a path when taken in conjunction with other education and training pathways, is recognized to be one primary knowledge building block.

Republic Act No. 7796, otherwise known as the Technical Education and Skills Development Act of 1994 provides that "It is the declared policy of the State to provide relevant, accessible, high quality, and efficient technical education and skills development in support of the development of high-quality Filipino middle-level manpower responsive to and in accordance with Philippine development goals and priorities.

This Bill seeks to expand the coverage of TESDA programs by creating a municipal training center in the Municipality of Kalifangan, Province of Bukidnon.

Creation of this training center will provide relevant, accessible, high quality and efficient technical education and skills development in support of the development of Filipino middle level manpower responsive to and in accordance with Philippine development goals and priorities.

Given the above premises, the urgent passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

**ESTABLISHING THE KALILANGAN TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING CENTER AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

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

SECTION 1. *TESDA Kalilangan Municipal Training Center.* - There shall be established a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Municipal Training Center in Kalilangan, Bukidnon under the control and supervision of the TESDA.

SECTION 2. *General Mandate.* - The TESDA Municipal Training Center shall primarily provide technical-vocational training and skills development programs to students from low-income families and to out-of-school youths in Kalilangan, Bukidnon. It shall develop the students to become productive, self-reliant, and globally competitive middle-level skilled labor workers, in order to boost the social and economic development of Kalilangan, Bukidnon, as well as to meet the demand of local and international labor markets.

The TESDA Municipal Training Center shall also serve as municipal competency assessment center for required competencies in technical-vocational skills in the whole Kalilangan, Bukidnon. In coordination with the Department of Education (DepEd), it shall render when necessary and practicable, teachers' capability building programs and curriculum design technical assistance to the secondary schools in the Municipality of Kalilangan, Bukidnon offering technical-vocational and livelihood track under the K to 12 Program of the DepEd.

SECTION 3. *Curricular Offerings.* - The TESDA Municipal Training Center shall address the skills development priorities of the Kalilangan, Bukidnon. It

shall offer short-term courses in preferred market-driven and relevant technical-vocational courses or qualifications within its areas of specialization in consultation with the Department of Labor and Employment (DOLE), the Local Government Units (LGUs), the industries and such other relevant agencies, both local and international.

The TESDA Municipal Training Center may likewise establish research and development centers, technology development farms, and mobile training programs throughout the Municipality to strengthen linkages between the industry, academe, and the technology programs.

SECTION 4. Site. The TESDA Municipal Training Center shall be established in the Municipality of Kalilangan, Bukidnon, pursuant to the mutual agreement between TESDA and the Municipal Government of Kalilangan, Bukidnon.

SECTION 5. Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern. - The TESDA Municipal Training Center shall adopt the organizational structure and staffing pattern of a TESDA Regional Training Center in accordance with the existing guidelines of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), and the Civil Service Commission (CSC).

SECTION 6. Appropriations. – The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be taken from the current fiscal year's unexpended and unobligated appropriations of the agency. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the funding of the TESDA Municipal Training Center shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act as a separate line-item budget under TESDA.

SECTION 7. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Act shall be declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining part or provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in force.

SECTION 8. Repealing Clause. Any law, decree, ordinance, administrative circulars not consistent with any provision of this Act is hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,