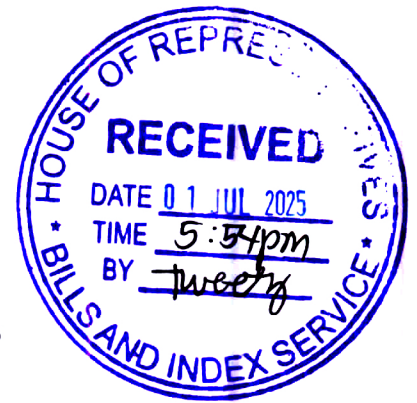


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House Bill. No. **977**

BY REPRESENTATIVE SUN J. SHIMURA

AN ACT CONVERTING THE EXTENSION CAMPUS OF THE CEBU TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY - DAANBANTAYAN IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BANTAYAN, BANTAYAN ISLAND, PROVINCE OF CEBU INTO AN INDEPENDENT REGULAR CAMPUS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Cebu Technological University (CTU) has long served as a vital institution in providing quality technical and professional education in the Province of Cebu and the Central Visayas Region. Its extension campus in the Municipality of Bantayan, Bantayan Island, has played a crucial role in bringing higher education opportunities closer to the residents of this geographically distinct area.

The Municipality of Bantayan is a first-class municipality in the Province of Cebu, Philippines. It is the center of commerce, industry, arts, and culture for the entire Bantayan Island. The Municipality encompasses 25 barangays, including five island barangays and 14 islets.

More than just a beach destination, Bantayan Island also houses the CTU – Daanbantayan extension campus located in the municipality of Bantayan which produced young local professionals garnering a total of 895 graduates as of October 2020.

This Bill seeks to convert the existing CTU – Daanbantayan extension campus in Bantayan, Bantayan Island, Province of Cebu, into an independent regular campus, to be known as the "CTU-Bantayan Campus". This conversion is a crucial step towards enhancing the accessibility and quality of higher education in Bantayan Island and its neighboring communities.

An independent regular campus will allow the CTU-Bantayan Campus to operate with greater autonomy in its academic and administrative functions, enabling it to better respond to the specific educational and socio-economic needs of the island. The proposed campus is envisioned to primarily offer undergraduate and graduate courses across a diverse range of fields, including education, tourism, science and technology, information technology, agriculture, forestry, environmental science, livelihood technology education, public safety, and water and coastal management. Critically, it will

also focus on programs that leverage the unique coastal and marine resources of Bantayan Island, such as sustainable tourism, marine biology, and fisheries management, contributing directly to the local economy and environmental stewardship.

Furthermore, the CTU-Bantayan Campus will be mandated to undertake vital research and extension services to support the socioeconomic development of the region and provide progressive leadership in its areas of specialization. By becoming a regular campus, it can fully develop its facilities, expand its academic offerings, and secure dedicated funding necessary for its sustainable operation and growth.

The conversion will also ensure the smooth transition of existing personnel, respecting their positions, rights, and security of tenure. All assets and records of the current extension campus will be transferred to the CTU-Bantayan Campus.

This Bill aligns with the principles of the "Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997" (Republic Act No. 8292) and seeks to empower the CTU to further its mandate of providing relevant and responsive education. The establishment of an independent CTU-Bantayan Campus will serve as a catalyst for human resource development, economic progress, and environmental sustainability in Bantayan Island and the entire Province of Cebu.

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



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

1 **SECTION 1. Short Title.** – This Act shall be known as the
2 “Cebu Technological University (CTU) – Bantayan Campus Act”.

3 **SECTION 2. Conversion into a Regular Campus.** – The
4 Cebu Technological University shall convert the extension campus located
5 in the Municipality of Bantayan, Bantayan Island, Province of Cebu into a
6 regular campus, to be known as the “CTU-Bantayan Campus”. This
7 conversion signifies its establishment as a regular, degree-granting
8 academic institution within the CTU System, with its own distinct
9 administration, budget allocation, and capacity for program development,
10 subject to the overall policies of the CTU Board of Regents.

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12 **SECTION 3. General Mandate.** – The CTU-Bantayan
13 Campus shall primarily provide undergraduate and graduate courses such
14 as education, tourism, science and technology, information technology,
15 agriculture, forestry, environmental science, livelihood technology
16 education, public safety, water and coastal management, and such
17 programs within its areas of competency and specialization. These
18 programs shall be pursuant to the mandates of the CTU, and according to
19 its capability, as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the Board,
20 may deem necessary for the accomplishment of its objectives, and those
21 which respond to the human resource development needs of the Province
22 of Cebu and the Central Visayas Region.

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24 The campus shall place a particular focus on programs that leverage
25 the unique coastal and marine resources of Bantayan Island and
26 surrounding areas, including but not limited to sustainable tourism, marine
27 biology, and fisheries management. It shall be mandated to undertake
28 research and extension services in support of the socioeconomic
29 development and to provide progressive leadership in these areas, with an

1 emphasis on environmental protection and sustainable development
2 initiatives for the island's ecosystem.
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4 **SECTION 4. Supervision and Management.** – The
5 governing board of the University shall be the Board of Regents as provided
6 for in Republic Act No. 9744, which serves as the Charter of Cebu
7 Technological University. Likewise, the University shall be headed by the
8 University President, subject to the provisions of the same Charter.
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10 The Campus shall be headed by a Campus Director who shall
11 be appointed by the Board, subject to its institutional guidelines,
12 qualifications, and standards, and upon the recommendation of the
13 University President.
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15 To ensure a smooth transition, the incumbent designated
16 Campus Director of CTU-Bantayan Campus shall serve as Officer-in-Charge
17 Campus Director until the Board appoints a new Campus Director.
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20 **SECTION 5. Compliance with the Requirements of the**
21 **Commission on Higher Education (CHED).** – It shall be the primary
22 duty of the Campus Director to ensure compliance of the CTU-Bantayan
23 Campus with the policies, standards, and guidelines of the Commission on
24 Higher Education for the operation of the campus, including those related
25 to the offering of courses and the introduction of new or revised programs
26 prior to the conversion..
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28 **SECTION 6. Management of Personnel, Assets, and**
29 **Records.** – All assets, both real and personal properties, personnel, and
30 records of the CTU-Bantayan Campus, as well as its liabilities or obligations,
31 shall be transferred to the CTU. The positions, rights, and security of tenure
32 of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws
33 prior to the conversion into regular campus shall be respected.
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35 All parcels of land and all other real properties belonging to the
36 government occupied by the CTU-Bantayan Campus shall be transferred to
37 the CTU : Provided, That should the CTU-Bantayan Campus of the CTU
38 cease to exist or be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of
39 land be no longer needed by the CTU, the same shall revert to the local
40 government unit concerned or the Republic of the Philippines, as the case
41 may be in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulations.
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43 **SECTION 7. Supplementary Application.** – The provisions of
44 Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the "Higher Education
45 Modernization Act of 1997", as well as Republic Act No. 9744, shall form
46 part of this Act.
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1 **SECTION 8. Appropriations.** – The amount necessary to
2 carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General
3 Appropriations Act (GAA). The initial operationalization and development of
4 the CTU-Bantayan Campus shall be given due priority in the annual General
5 Appropriations Act.
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7 The Municipality of Bantayan shall continue to provide assistance to
8 the CTU-Bantayan Campus until such time that the amount necessary for
9 the operation and maintenance of the CTU-Bantayan Campus shall be
10 included in the annual GAA.
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12 **SECTION 9. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** –
13 Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the Board shall, in
14 consultation with the CHED, issue rules and regulations to implement its
15 provisions.
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17 **SECTION 10. Separability Clause.** – If, for any reason, any
18 part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the
19 remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and
20 effect.
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22 **SECTION 11. Repealing Clause.** – All other laws,
23 presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, contrary to or
24 inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified
25 accordingly
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27 **SECTION 12. Effectivity.** – This Act shall take effect fifteen
28 (15) days after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a
29 newspaper of general circulation.
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31 Approved,