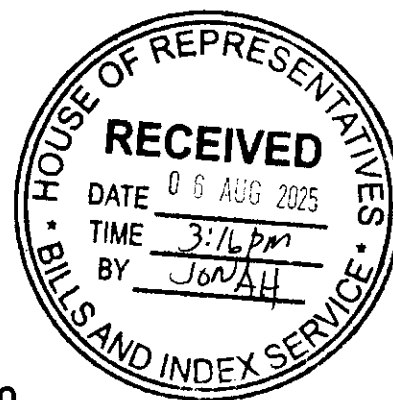


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EXPLANATORY NOTE


This bill seeks to create a training and accreditation center of Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) in the municipality of Santa Elena, Camarines Norte.

The Municipality of Santa Elena is the farthest municipality in the 1st Congressional District of Camarines Norte and is nearer to Caluag, Quezon than it is to the town proper of Labo, Camarines Norte which is its neighboring town. For proper perspective, Calauag is 31 kilometers away while Labo, where the provincial TESDA is located, is 70 kilometers away.

The increasing number of students in Santa Elena who wishes to avail of TESDA education in Camarines Norte impels this humble representation to seek passage of this measure. While there is a Provincial TESDA training Center in Labo, it will be more beneficial for constituents of the 1st Legislative District to have its own training and assessment center in the municipality of Santa Elena so that they would not need to travel far in order to access training and assessment facilities of TESDA.

The TESDA Training and Assessment Center in Santa Elena will also cater the needs of the other municipalities in the 1st District which presently do not have their own respective training centers particularly the nearby town of Capalonga.

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


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

SECTION 1. Santa Elena TESDA Training and Assessment Center. - There shall be established a Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA Training and Assessment Center in Santa Elena, Camarines Norte under the control and supervision of the TESDA.

SECTION 2. General Mandate. - The TESDA Training and Assessment Center shall primarily provide technical-vocational training and skills development programs to students from low-income families and to out-of-school youths in Santa Elena, Camarines Norte and neighboring towns. 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 Santa Elena, Camarines Norte, as well as to meet the demand of local and international labor markets.

The TESDA Training and Assessment Center shall also serve as municipal competency assessment center for required competencies in technical - vocational skills in the whole Santa Elena, Camarines Norte and neighboring towns. 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 Santa Elena and neighboring towns offering technical-vocational and livelihood track under the K to 12 Program of the DepEd.

SECTION 3. Curricular Offerings. - The TESDA Training and Assessment Center shall address the skills development priorities of Santa Elena, Camarines Norte and neighboring towns. 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 Training and Assessment Center may likewise establish research and development centers, technology development farms, and mobile training programs throughout the Municipality and neighboring towns to strengthen linkages between the industry, academe, and the technology programs.

SECTION 4. Site. The TESDA Training and Assessment Center shall be established in the Municipality of Santa Elena, Camarines Norte, pursuant to the mutual agreement between TESDA and the Municipal Government of Santa Elena.

SECTION 5. Organizational Structure and Staffing Pattern. - The TESDA Training and Assessment 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 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 Training and Assessment 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 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.