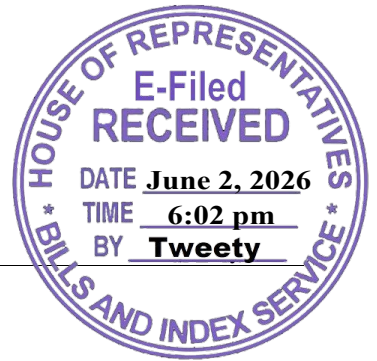


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 438

Submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on  
**June 2, 2026**

Re: House Bill No. **9689**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2136

Sponsors: Representatives Jude A. Acidre, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and  
Christopherson "Coco" M. Yap

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which  
was referred House Bill No. 2136, introduced by Representative Christopherson "Coco" M.  
Yap, entitled:

"AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING A REGULAR CAMPUS OF THE SOUTHERN LEYTE STATE  
UNIVERSITY (SLSU) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LILOAN, PROVINCE OF  
SOUTHERN LEYTE TO BE KNOWN AS THE SLSU-LILOAN CAMPUS, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No.  
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THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 2136 and with Representatives Christopherson  
"Coco" M. Yap, Jude A. Acidre, Patricia C. Calderon, Antonio L. Tinio, Elijah Rumbaoa San  
Fernando, Dimszar M. Sali, Antolin A. Oreta III, Jaime R. Fresnedi, Jose Manuel Tadeo  
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Bautista, Roman T. Romulo, Florabel C. Yatco, King Collantes, Joseph "Jojo" L. Lara,  
Felimon M. Espares, Katrina Reiko Chua-Tai, Carl Nicolas C. Cari, Rebecca Maria "Mia"  
Ynares, M.D., Edwin L. Cruzado, and Mikaela Angela B. Suansing as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Chairperson  
Committee on Appropriations

  
**JUDE A. ACIDRE**  
Chairperson  
Committee on Higher and Technical Education

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*(In substitution of House Bill No. 2136)*

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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 “*Southern Leyte State*  
2       *University-Liloan Campus Act*”.

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4       **Sec. 2. Establishment.** - There is hereby established a regular campus of the  
5       Southern Leyte State University (SLSU), to be located in the Municipality of Liloan,  
6       Province of Southern Leyte, which shall be known as the “Southern Leyte State  
7       University-Liloan Campus”.

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9       **Sec. 3. General Mandate.** - The SLSU-Liloan Campus shall primarily provide  
10      short-term, technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within its  
11      areas of competency and specialization, pursuant to the mandate of the SLSU and  
12      according to its capability, as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the  
13      Board, may deem necessary to respond to the human resource development needs  
14      of the Province of Southern Leyte and the Eastern Visayas Region.

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16      It is also mandated to undertake research, extension services, and production  
17      activities in support of the socio-economic development of the Province of Southern  
18      Leyte and the Eastern Visayas Region and to provide progressive leadership in  
19      these areas.

20      **Sec. 4. Supervision and Management.** – The SLSU-Liloan Campus shall be  
21      headed by a full-time Campus Director, to be appointed by the Board, based on the  
22      recommendation of the SLSU President following the guidelines on qualification

standards set by the Board, together with an endorsement from a duly constituted Search Committee for the purpose of selecting the Campus Director.

**Sec. 5. Compliance with the Requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED).** - The SLSU shall ensure the compliance of the SLSU-Liloan Campus with the policies, standards, and guidelines of the CHED for the operation of the said campus, including those related to the offering of courses and the introduction of new or revised courses and programs prior to its establishment.

**Sec. 6. Management of Personnel, Assets, and Records of the Campus.** - All appropriations, assets, both real and personal, personnel, and records of the SLSU-Liloan Campus, as well as its liabilities or obligations, shall be titled under or named after the SLSU.

All parcels of land belonging to the government that shall be occupied by the SLSU-Liloan Campus shall be the property of the SLSU and titled under its name: *Provided*, That should the SLSU-Liloan Campus 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 concerned local government unit or to the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

**Sec. 7. Appropriations.** - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**Sec. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** - Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the Board shall, in consultation with the CHED, issue rules and regulations to implement its provisions.

**Sec. 9. Suppletory 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. 10. Separability Clause.** – If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid 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, regulations, and other issuances contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.

**Sec. 12. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*