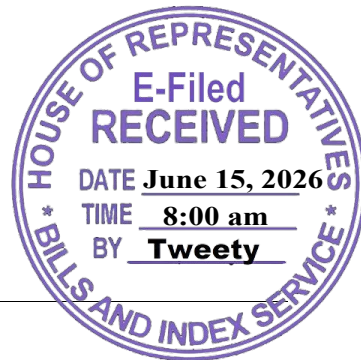


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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 455

Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on
June 15, 2026

Re: House Bill No. 9864

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bills Numbered 4863 and 4864

Sponsors: Representatives Jude A. Acidre, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and Jose Manuel F. Alba

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which were referred House Bill No. 4863, introduced by Representative Jose Manuel F. Alba, entitled:

“AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTP) IN BARANGAY MIARAYON, TALAKAG, BUKIDNON, TO BE KNOWN AS THE USTP-TALAKAG SATELLITE CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”;

and House Bill No. 4864, introduced by Representative Jose Manuel F. Alba, entitled:

“AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTP) IN SUMILAO, BUKIDNON, TO BE KNOWN AS THE USTP-SUMILAO SATELLITE CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 9864, entitled:

“AN ACT
ESTABLISHING REGULAR CAMPUSES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF TALAKAG AND SUMILAO, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bills Numbered 4863 and 4864 and with Representatives Jose Manuel F. Alba, 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 “Chel” I. Diokno, Mario “Kokoy” O. Salvador, De Carlo L. Uy, Walfredo “Arman” R. Dimaguila, Jr., Kenneth T. Gatchalian, Atty. Jennifer “Karen” A. Lagbas, Wilton “Tonton” T. Kho, Anna York P. Bondoc, M. D., Ma. Cristina Talavera Lopez, Christopherson “Coco” M. Yap, Johanne Monich G. 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 Alcantara Ynares, Edwin L. Cruzado, M.D., and

Mikaela Angela B. Suansing as authors thereof.


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Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

Respectfully submitted,


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Committee on Higher and Technical Education

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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(In substitution of House Bills Numbered 4863 and 4864)

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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 “*University of Science*
2 *and Technology of Southern Philippines-Talakag and Sumilao Campuses Act*”.

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4 **Sec. 2. Establishment.** - There are hereby established regular campuses of
5 the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP) in the
6 Municipalities of Talakag and Sumilao, Province of Bukidnon, which shall be known
7 as the “University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines-Talakag and
8 Sumilao Campuses”.

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10 **Sec. 3. General Mandate.** - The USTSP-Talakag and Sumilao Campuses shall
11 primarily provide short-term, technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate
12 courses within their areas of competencies and specialization, pursuant to the
13 mandate of the USTSP, and according to their capability, as the Board of Regents,
14 hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary to respond to the human
15 resource development needs of the Province of Bukidnon and the Northern
16 Mindanao Region.

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18 They are also mandated to undertake research and extension services, in
19 support of the socio-economic development and to provide progressive leadership
20 in these areas.

1 **Sec. 4. Supervision and Management.** – The USTSP-Talakag and Sumilao
2 Campuses shall be headed by a full-time Campus Director, to be appointed by the
3 Board, subject to its guidelines on qualification standards and upon the
4 recommendation of a Search Committee duly constituted for the purpose of
5 selecting the Campus Director.
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7 **Sec. 5. Compliance with the Requirements of the Commission on Higher**
8 **Education (CHED).** - The USTSP shall ensure the compliance of the USTSP-
9 Talakag and Sumilao Campuses with the policies, standards, and guidelines of the
10 CHED for the operation of the said campuses, including those related to their
11 offering of courses and the introduction of new or revised courses and programs
12 prior to their establishment.
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14 **Sec. 6. Management of Personnel, Assets, Records, and Liabilities of the**
15 **Campuses.** - All appropriations, assets, both real and personal, personnel, and
16 records of the USTSP-Talakag and Sumilao Campuses, as well as their liabilities
17 or obligations, shall be titled under or named after the USTSP.
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19 All parcels of land belonging to the government that shall be occupied by the
20 USTSP-Talakag and Sumilao Campuses shall be the property of the USTSP and
21 titled under its name: *Provided*, That should the said campuses cease to exist or
22 be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed
23 by the USTSP, the same shall revert to the concerned local government units or to
24 the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.
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26 **Sec. 7. Appropriations.** - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of
27 this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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29 **Sec. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** - Within sixty (60) days from
30 the approval of this Act, the Board shall, in consultation with the CHED, issue rules
31 and regulations to implement its provisions.
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33 **Sec. 9. Suppletory Application.** - The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292,
34 otherwise known as the “Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997”, shall form
35 part of this Act.
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37 **Sec. 10. Separability Clause.** – If, for any reason, any part or provision of this
38 Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not
39 affected shall remain in full force and effect.
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41 **Sec. 11. Repealing Clause.** - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders,
42 rules, regulations, and other issuances contrary to or inconsistent with the
43 provisions of this Act are amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.
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45 **Sec. 12. Effectivity.** - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
46 complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,