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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 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  
20       leadership 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,