



SENATE

S. No. 1716

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PREPARED BY THE COMMITTEES ON SPORTS; WAYS AND MEAN; AND FINANCE WITH SENATORS ANGARA, AQUINO IV, PACQUIAO AND VILLANUEVA AS AUTHORS THEREOF

AN ACT CREATING AND ESTABLISHING A SPORTS COMPLEX KNOWN AS THE "PHILIPPINE AMATEUR SPORTS TRAINING CENTER", AND FUNDING FOR THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY, CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES, INCLUDING ITS ADMINISTRATION, MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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
2 the "Philippine Amateur Sports Training Center Act".

3 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – As stated under
4 Article XIV, Section 19 of the Philippine Constitution, the
5 State shall promote physical education and encourage

1 sports programs, league competitions, and amateur sports,
2 including training for international competitions, to foster
3 self-discipline, teamwork, and excellence for the
4 development of a healthy and alert citizenry. To further
5 this policy, the State shall establish and construct state-of-
6 the-art and highly scientific sports complex.

7 *SEC. 3. Creation and Establishment of the Philippine*
8 *Amateur Sports Training Center.* – There is hereby created
9 and established a state-of-the-art and highly scientific
10 sports complex to be known as the Philippine Amateur
11 Sports Training Center (PASTC).

12 After a period of planning not exceeding six (6)
13 months upon effectivity of this Act, the necessary sports
14 facilities and amenities, which are at par with
15 international standards, shall be constructed within a
16 period of eighteen (18) months in a location suitable and
17 conducive to high-level training of athletes, coaches and
18 referees.

1 SEC. 4 *Objectives of the Philippine Amateur Sports*
2 *Training Center.* – The objectives of the PASTC are as
3 follows:

4 (a) To serve as the primary venue for the
5 development of athletes in the National Team and its
6 corresponding training pools included in the list of sports
7 contemplated therein, through the use of scientific
8 principles and programs, proven training techniques, and
9 modern equipment and facilities that are at par with
10 international standards;

11 (b) To contribute to sports science and research as
12 the national sports training institution assisted by the
13 Philippine Sports Commission (PSC) through the
14 Philippine Sports Institute (PSI), as mandated by Republic
15 Act No. 6847;

16 (c) To accommodate training and development of
17 coaches and referees;

18 (d) To host local and international competitions, if
19 necessary; and

1 (e) For any other purpose inherent and incidental
2 for the purposes for which the PASTC was created.

3 SEC. 5. *Sports Facilities and Amenities.* – The PASTC
4 shall include the following training facilities and
5 amenities:

- 6 (a) Administration Building
- 7 (b) Athletes and Coaches Dormitory
- 8 (c) Baseball Field
- 9 (d) Beach Volleyball Courts
- 10 (e) Bowling Center
- 11 (f) Conference and Seminar Hall
- 12 (g) Covered Swimming and Diving Pool
- 13 (h) Football Field
- 14 (i) Gymnastics Center
- 15 (j) Multi-purpose Gymnasium
- 16 (k) Multi-purpose field including, but not limited to –
17 Archery Range, BMX Track, Lawnballs and Petanque
18 Field
- 19 (l) Rugby Pitch
- 20 (m) Skeet and Trap Range

- 1 (n) Softball Field
- 2 (o) Track and Field Oval
- 3 (p) Tennis Courts
- 4 (q) Velodrome
- 5 (r) Villas for Guests
- 6 (s) Sports Science Building
- 7 (t) Mess Hall
- 8 (u) Recreation Hall (AV Room)
- 9 (v) Library
- 10 (w) Weight Training Building
- 11 (x) School Buildings
- 12 (y) Medical Center
- 13 (z) Worship and Meditation Room

14 The PASTC shall cater to the sports training and
15 development program of National Athletes in the following
16 sports:

- 17 (a) Archery
- 18 (b) Athletics
- 19 (c) Badminton
- 20 (d) Baseball

- 1 (e) Basketball
- 2 (f) Beach Volleyball
- 3 (g) Bowling
- 4 (h) Contact and Combat Sports
- 5 (i) Cycling (Velodrome and BMX Track)
- 6 (j) Dance Sport
- 7 (k) Football
- 8 (l) Gymnastics
- 9 (m) Handball
- 10 (n) Lawn Tennis and Soft Tennis
- 11 (o) Sepak Takraw
- 12 (p) Shooting
- 13 (q) Softball
- 14 (r) Squash
- 15 (s) Swimming
- 16 (t) Table Tennis
- 17 (u) Volleyball
- 18 (v) Wall Climbing
- 19 (w) Water Polo
- 20 (x) Weightlifting

1 Any other sports, not included above, shall be made
2 part of the PASTC's sports training and development
3 program, as determined by the PSC.

4 SEC. 6. *Ownership, Administration, Management,*
5 *Operation and Maintenance of the PASTC.* - The
6 ownership of the property over which the sports facilities
7 and amenities of the PASTC will be established is hereby
8 vested to the PSC.

9 The PSC is vested with authority to administer,
10 manage, operate and maintain the PASTC including, but
11 not limited to, administration of incidental income,
12 security of the complex, assignment of personnel to
13 manage and operate the complex: *Provided*, That the PSC
14 shall employ a manager with experience in sports
15 administration and management and such other
16 administrative staff as may be needed, and, as determined
17 by the PSC, to ensure the maintenance and upkeep of the
18 PASTC and its facilities and other amenities.

1 SEC. 7. *Report to Congress.* – The Chairman of the
2 PSC shall submit a report to the Chairpersons of the
3 House Committee on Youth and Sports Development and
4 the Senate Committee on Sports on a quarterly basis
5 regarding the status of the construction of the PASTC until
6 the completion of the same.

7 SEC. 8. *Assistance by the Government Entities.* – The
8 PSC may call upon any government agency for assistance
9 in the acquisition and/or possession, including transfer of
10 Title over the property where the PASTC will be located, in
11 planning and site development of the property, in the
12 management of the facilities that shall ensure its proper
13 maintenance and safeguard the National Athletes, coaches
14 and staff in the PASTC, as well as, in the implementation
15 of its training and skills program.

16 SEC. 9. *Funding.* – For the establishment and construction
17 of the PASTC, the amount of Three billion five hundred million
18 pesos (P3,500,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated and shall be
19 included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).
20 Thereafter, the amount necessary to carry out the other

1 provisions of this Act, particularly for the maintenance,
2 operation and management of the PASTC shall be included
3 in the budget of the PSC in the GAA. Likewise, all
4 incidental income that may be derived by the PSC in its
5 management and operation shall form part of the National
6 Sports Development Fund (NSDF).

7 SEC. 10. *Tax Exemptions.* – The PASTC shall be
8 exempt from payment of all taxes, fees, assessments and
9 other charges of the Government, its branches and
10 subdivisions, payment of real estate tax, stamp tax,
11 amusement tax, income tax, and/or any other form of taxes
12 on the properties.

13 The PASTC shall likewise be exempt from the
14 payment of customs duties, taxes and tariffs on the
15 importation of equipment and supplies, including those
16 donated to the PASTC: *Provided*, That these are required
17 in the development of various training of the athletes,
18 coaches and referees, and are of international standards
19 and are not readily available from local manufacturers.

1 SEC. 11. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The
2 PSC, Department of Budget and Management and
3 Department of Public Works and Highways shall
4 promulgate, not later than thirty (30) days upon the
5 effectivity of this Act, the necessary rules and regulations
6 for the effective implementation of this Act: *Provided,*
7 That the failure to promulgate the rules and regulations
8 shall not prevent the implementation of this Act upon its
9 effectivity.

10 SEC. 12. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision or
11 part of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or
12 circumstances, is held invalid or unconstitutional, the
13 remaining sections of this Act or the application of such
14 provision or part hereof to other persons or circumstance
15 shall remain in full force and effect.

16 SEC. 13. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders,
17 issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof
18 inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby
19 repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

1 SEC. 14. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect
2 after fifteen (15) days from its publication in the *Official*
3 *Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general
4 circulation.

Approved,