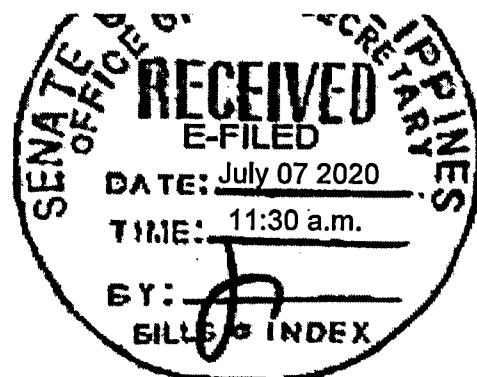


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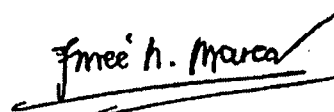
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XIV, Section 1 of the our Constitution states that, *"the State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all."* Education is a fundamental right of every Filipino.

The Eastern Visayas State University (EVSU) is a public university in the Philippines and the oldest higher educational institution in the Eastern Visayas region. The EVSU-Dulag is one of the satellite campuses of Eastern Visayas State University, which offers undergraduate degree programs in Civil Engineering, Information Technology, and Secondary Education. Despite having the least numbers of academic programs, the said campus excels in providing quality education for its students. It is therefore high time to upgrade the status of EVSU-Dulag to a regular campus to address the demands of the communities in the Province of Leyte.

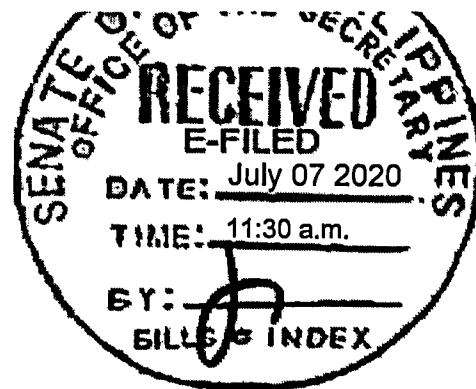
Hence, this bill seeks to convert the Dulag Satellite Campus of the Eastern Visayas State University (EVSU) located in the Municipality of Dulag, Province of Leyte, into a regular campus. This will strengthen the capacity of EVSU-Dulag in providing quality and affordable tertiary education and increase the resources available to be in line with the Constitutional mandate of making education accessible to all.

In view of the foregoing, the approval 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:*

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Eastern Visayas State University-
2 Dulag Campus Act."

3 SEC. 2. The Dulag Satellite Campus of the Eastern Visayas State University
4 (EVSU) located in the Municipality of Dulag, Province of Leyte, is hereby converted
5 into a regular campus to be known as the EVSU-Dulag Campus.

6 SEC. 3. The EVSU-Dulag Campus shall offer short-term technical-vocational
7 education and training (TVET) courses, undergraduate and graduate degree
8 programs, and other related and relevant fields of study within its competency and
9 areas of specialization, as the Board of Regents may deem necessary to carry out its
10 objectives, and respond to meet the human resource development needs of the
11 Province of Leyte and Region VIII.

12 The EVSU-Dulag Campus shall also undertake research, extension services, and
13 production activities in support of the socio-economic development of the province
14 and the region, and provide progressive leadership in these areas.

15 SEC. 4. The governance of the EVSU-Dulag Campus shall be vested exclusively
16 in the Board of Regents of the EVSU, hereinafter referred to as the Board.

17 SEC. 5. The EVSU-Dulag Campus shall be headed by a Campus Administrator
18 who shall render full-time service and who shall be appointed or designated by the
19 Board upon the recommendation of the search committee and the President, subject
20 to the guidelines, qualifications and standards set by the Board.

21 SEC. 6. All assets, real and personal, personnel and records of the EVSU-Dulag
22 Satellite Campus located in the Municipality of Dulag, Province of Leyte, as well as its

1 liabilities or obligations, are hereby transferred to the EVSU. The positions, rights and
2 security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing
3 laws prior to the conversion into a regular campus shall be respected.

4 All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the EVSU-Dulag
5 Satellite Campus are hereby transferred to the EVSU, and shall be titled under its
6 name: *Provided*, That should the campus or the University cease to exist or be
7 abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the
8 University, the same shall revert to the local government units concerned.

9 SEC. 7. The amount necessary to carry out the initial implementation of this
10 Act shall be charged against the current year's funding of the EVSU-Dulag Satellite
11 Campus provided by the Municipality of Dulag, Province of Leyte.

12 The Municipality of Dulag shall provide the same assistance until such time that
13 the amount necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the EVSU-
14 Dulag Satellite Campus shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

15 SEC. 8. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid
16 or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain
17 in full force and effect.

18 SEC. 9. Republic Act No. 9311, which establishes the Eastern Visayas State
19 University, is hereby amended. All other laws, presidential decrees, executive orders,
20 rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are
21 hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

22 SEC. 10. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
23 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,