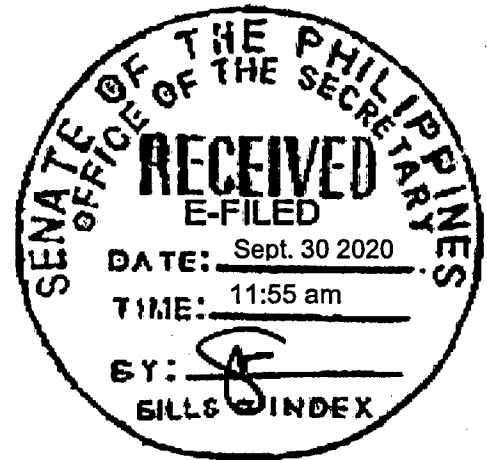


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EXPLANATORY NOTE


Article XIV, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution mandates 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. It is likewise the policy of the State to establish, maintain and support a complete, adequate and integrated system of education relevant to the needs of the people and society.

The Don Honorio Ventura State University has a number of extension campuses in the Province of Pampanga, located in the Municipalities of Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao, Candaba, Apalit, Mexico, Sta. Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan. These municipalities provide annual funding for expenses related to the operation of these extension campuses to include payment of personnel services, construction and improvement of academic buildings and support facilities. These extension campuses have been providing the people of the locality and nearby areas, especially poor but deserving students, years of accessible and quality education despite their modest resources.

DHVSU has greatly helped in improving the economic status of the people of Pampanga, by providing its constituents with the opportunity to avail of free and quality education through the university's curriculum in education, computing studies, engineering and architecture, industrial technology, business administration, environmental science, among others.

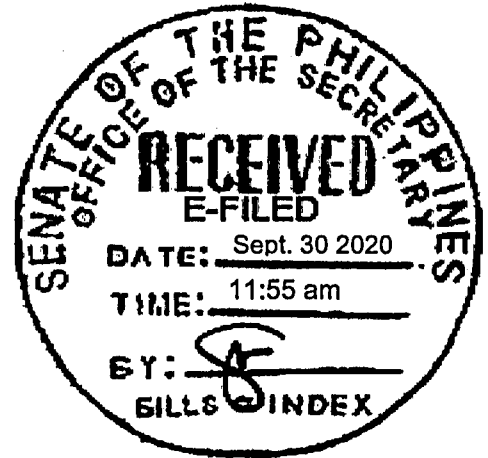
As DHVSU aspires to further improve the delivery of accessible, free and quality education to the people of Pampanga and its nearby localities, the conversion of these extension campuses into regular campuses will widen the SUC's opportunity to achieve its goal. A guaranteed and appropriate budgetary support from the annual General Appropriations Act shall pave the way for the improvement of their facilities and services as it will enable these campuses to acquire their own infrastructure, laboratory equipment and other vital facilities and improve the quality of instruction through the hiring of more qualified faculty.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines
in Congress assembled:

1 Section 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the "*Don Honorio Ventura*
2 *State University (DHVSU)- Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao, Candaba, Apalit, Mexico, Sta.*
3 *Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan Campuses Act.*"

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5 Sec. 2. The extension campuses of the Don Honorio Ventura State University
6 (DHVSU) in the Municipalities of *Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao, Candaba, Apalit, Mexico,*
7 *Sta. Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan,* all in the Province of Pampanga, are
8 hereby converted into regular campuses of the DHVSU, to be known as DHVSU-Sto.
9 Tomas Campus, DHVSU-Porac Campus, DHVSU-Lubao Campus, DHVSU-Candaba
10 Campus, DHVSU-Apalit Campus, DHVSU-Mexico Campus, DHVSU-Sta. Rita Campus,
11 DHVSU-Floridablanca Campus, DHVSU-Guagua Campus and DHVSU-Sasmuan
12 Campus.

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14 Sec. 3. The DHVSU- *Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao, Candaba, Apalit, Mexico, Sta.*
15 *Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan Campuses,* shall primarily provide short-

1 term technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within the their areas
2 of competency and specialization, pursuant to the mandate of the DHVSU, and
3 according to their capabilities as the Board of Regents may deem necessary to meet
4 the human resources development needs of the Province of Pampanga and Region
5 III. They are also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and to
6 provide progressive leadership in these areas.

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8 Sec. 4. The governance of the Campuses shall be vested exclusively in the
9 Board of Regents of the DHVSU, hereinafter referred to as the Board.

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11 Sec. 5. The DHVSU President shall exercise overall supervision and
12 management of the campuses. Each campus shall be headed by a Campus
13 Administrator who shall render full-time service and is appointed or designated by the
14 Board, upon the recommendation of the search committee and the President, subject
15 to the guidelines, qualifications and standards set by the Board.

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17 Sec. 6. All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the DHVSU
18 Extension Campuses located in the Municipalities of Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao,
19 Candaba, Apalit, Mexico, Sta. Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan, Province of
20 Pampanga, as well as liabilities or obligations, shall be transferred to the DHVSU. The
21 positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein
22 employed under existing laws prior to their conversion into regular campuses shall be
23 resected.

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25 All parcels of land belonging to the government and occupied by the DHVSU-
26 Sto. Tomas Campus, DHVSU-Porac Campus, DHVSU-Lubao Campus, DHVSU-Candaba
27 Campus, DHVSU-Apalit Campus, DHVSU-Mexico Campus, DHVSU-Sta. Rita Campus,
28 DHVSU-Floridablanca Campus, DHVSU-Guagua Campus and DHVSU-Sasmuan
29 Campus are hereby transferred to the DHVSU, and shall be titled under its name:
30 *Provided*, That should the campuses or the DHVSU cease to exist or be abolished or
31 should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the DHVSU; the
32 same shall revert to the local government units concerned or to the Republic of the
33 Philippines, as the case may be.

1 Sec. 7. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be
2 included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

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4 The Municipalities of Sto. Tomas, Porac, Lubao, Candaba, Apalit, Mexico, Sta.
5 Rita, Floridablanca, Guagua and Sasmuan shall provide the same financial support to
6 the respective extension campuses until such time that the amount necessary for the
7 continued operation and maintenance of the campuses shall be included in the annual
8 GAA.

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10 Sec. 8. The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the
11 "Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997", and Republic Act No. 9832 entitled "An
12 Act Converting the Don Honorio Ventura College of Arts and Trades in the Municipality
13 of Bacolor, Province of Pampanga into a State University to be known as the Don
14 Honorio Ventura Technological State University (DHVSU) and Appropriating Funds
15 Therefor" , as amended by Republic Act No. 11169 entitled, "An Act Renaming the
16 Don Honorio Ventura Technological State University (DHVTSU) in the Municipality of
17 Bacolor, Province Of Pampanga as the Don Honorio Ventura State University (DHVSU),
18 and Expanding its Curricular Offerings, Amending for the Purpose Republic Act No.
19 9832, Entitled "An Act Converting the Don Honorio Ventura College of Arts and Trades
20 in the Municipality of Bacolor, Province Of Pampanga into a State University to be
21 known as the Don Honorio Ventura Technological State University (DHVTSU) and
22 Appropriating Funds Therefor" shall form part of this Act, and together, shall serve as
23 the governing charter of the DHVSU.

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25 Sec. 9. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or
26 unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain
27 in full force and effect.

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29 Sec. 10. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or other
30 issuances or parts thereof contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act
31 are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

1 Sec. 11. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
2 *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.

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4 *Approved,*

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