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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 427

Submitted by the Committees on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education; and Finance on DEC 15 2021.

Re: House Bill No. 7516

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 7516 without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Joel Villanueva

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**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committees on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education; and Finance, to which were referred **House Bill No. 7516**, introduced by Representatives Escudero, Go (M.) and Yap (E.), entitled:

**"AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION  
ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF SORSOGON,  
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 7516, be approved without amendment.

Respectfully submitted:

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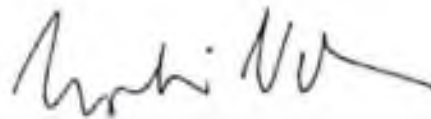
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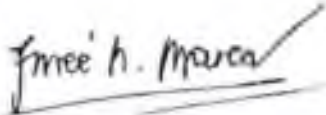
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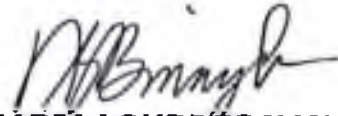


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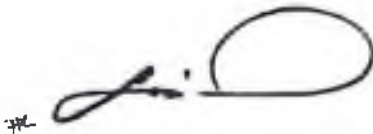
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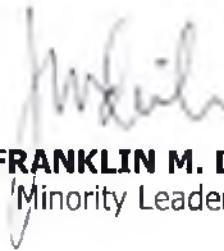
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7516

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BY REPRESENTATIVES ESCUDERO, GO (M.), YAP (E.)

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**AN ACT ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON  
HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF SORSOGON, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

**SECTION 1.** There shall be established in Sorsogon City, Province of Sorsogon, an office of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to be known as the CHED-Sorsogon Provincial Office. It shall be headed by a Provincial Director.

**SEC. 2.** Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the CHED shall determine the organizational structure and staffing pattern for the CHED-Sorsogon Provincial Office and submit the same to the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management for approval.

**SEC. 3.** The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED's program the operationalization of the CHED-Sorsogon Provincial Office.

**SEC. 4.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**SEC. 5.** The CHED shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act within sixty (60) days from its approval.

**SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*