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SENATE

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 429

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

Re: House Bill No. 7969

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 7969 without amendment, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 1962.

Sponsor: Senator Joel Villanueva

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education; and Finance, to which were referred **House Bill No. 7969**, introduced by Reps. Daza, Go (M.) and Yap (E.), entitled:

**"AN ACT
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and taking into consideration **Senate Bill No. 1962**, introduced by Senator Zubiri, entitled:

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have considered the same and have the honor to report them back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 7969, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 1962, be approved without amendment.

Respectfully submitted:

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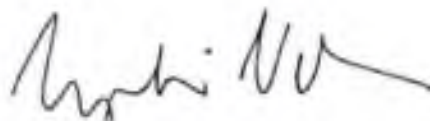
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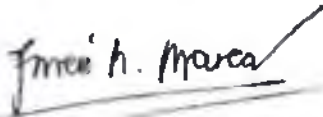
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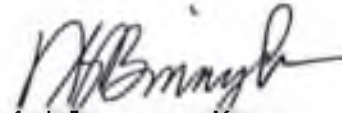


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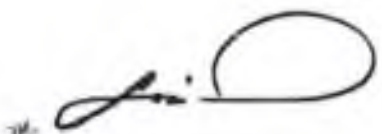
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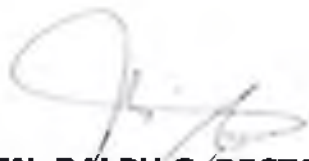
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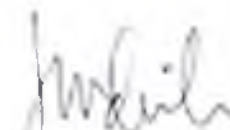
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7969

BY REPRESENTATIVES DAZA, GO (M.) AND YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 576

AN ACT
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in
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9 **SEC. 3.** The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED's
10 program the operationalization of the CHED-Northern Samar Provincial Office.
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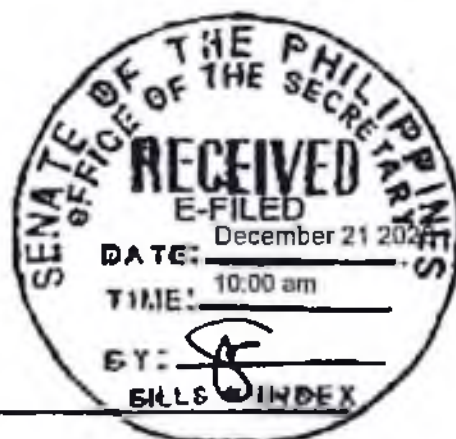
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Approved.

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Senate Bill No. 1962



Introduced by Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 1, Article XIV of the 1987 Philippine Constitution specifically provides:

"Section 1. 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."

Section 4 par. 1, Article XIV of the same Constitution also provides:

"Section 4. (1) The State recognizes the complementary roles of public and private institutions in the educational system and shall exercise reasonable supervision and regulation of all educational institutions."

Pursuant to the above constitutional mandate, this bill seeks to improve the delivery of educational services and make the same available to the people of Northern Samar. Currently, in order to reach the regional center in Tacloban City, it would take around six to seven hours of travel which is burdensome.

The State also recognizes the role of the youth in society and education plays a vital role in the total human development. It is because of this that we need to ensure that students of higher educational institutions have easy access to the service of government agencies tasked to promote and prioritize education as catalyst of the country's growth and development.

If this bill will be passed into law, the people of Northern Samar will have an easier access to CHED for their educational concerns such as, but not limited to, applying or following up for student financial assistance and grants.

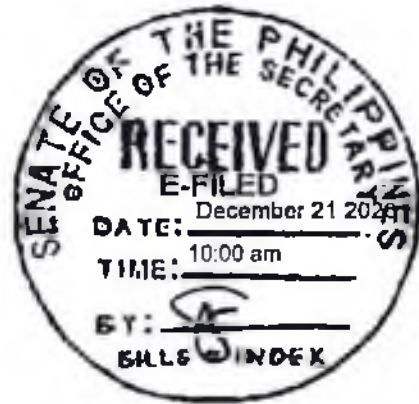
In view of the foregoing, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI

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