



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3179

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BY REPRESENTATIVES LEACHON AND HOFER

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AN ACT EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR COMPLIANCE OF MINDORO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CONVERSION INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY, THEREBY AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10596, ENTITLED: "AN ACT CONVERTING THE MINDORO STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF VICTORIA, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE MINDORO STATE UNIVERSITY (MINSU) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 26 of Republic Act No. 10596, known as "An Act  
2    Converting the Mindoro State College of Agriculture and Technology in the  
3    Municipality of Victoria, Province of Oriental Mindoro into a State University  
4    to be Known as the Mindoro State University (MINSU) and Appropriating  
5    Funds Therefor", shall be amended to read as follows:

6           "SEC. 26. *Compliance With CHED Requirements.* – The  
7           provisions of this Act notwithstanding, the establishment or  
8           conversion of the institution into a state university shall become  
9           effective only upon the determination and declaration by the

1 CHED, based on the recommendation of a panel of experts, that  
2 the institution has complied with the requirements for a  
3 university status. The CHED, through its regional office, shall  
4 regularly provide technical assistance to the institution and  
5 monitor compliance with the requirements of the Commission.

6 "The CHED shall designate a panel of experts who shall  
7 prepare a recommendation to the Chairperson of the CHED, on  
8 whether the institution has substantially complied with the  
9 requirements for the grant of university status.

10 "The following are the operational requirements for a  
11 university:

12 "(a) Level III accreditation or ITS equivalent under CHED  
13 policies for at least four (4) of its undergraduate programs,  
14 one (1) in liberal arts and one (1) in the sciences, and two (2) of  
15 its graduate programs;

16 "(b) Ratio of qualified full-time faculty with requisite  
17 degrees to number of students;

18 "(c) Adequate library and laboratories;

19 "(d) Research and development output of practical and  
20 commercial application to the community;

21 "(e) Relevant linkages and outreach programs that are of  
22 service to the community; and

23 "(f) Relevant academic policies, system and processes.

24 "The institution shall retain its status prior to the  
25 effectivity of this Act, unless in the meantime it is able to  
26 comply with the requirements provided herein [within a period  
27 not exceeding January 1, 2016] ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER  
28 31, 2021."

1           SEC. 2. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, proclamations,  
2           issuances or ordinances that are contrary to or inconsistent with the  
3           provisions of this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified  
4           accordingly.

5           SEC. 3. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after  
6           its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

          Approved,

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