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BY REPRESENTATIVES ESPINA, HOFER, TINIO, CASTRO (F.L.),
BRAVO (A.), HERNANDEZ, LOBREGAT, ESCUDERO, MARQUEZ,
ARCILLAS, GARCIA (J.E.), CAMPOS, LIMKAICHONG AND
NOGRALES (K.A.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 329

AN ACT RENAMING THE NAVAL STATE UNIVERSITY (NSU) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAVAL, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN, AS THE BILIRAN PROVINCE STATE UNIVERSITY [(BILSU)] (BIPSU) AND REMOVING THE PROHIBITION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9718, ENTITLED: "AN ACT CONVERTING THE NAVAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAVAL, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN INTO A STATE UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE NAVAL STATE UNIVERSITY, INTEGRATING THEREWITH THE BILIRAN NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BILIRAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 9718 is hereby amended to
2 read as follows:

3 "SEC. 1. *Conversion/Integration AND RENAMING OF THE*
4 *NAVAL STATE UNIVERSITY.* - The Naval Institute of

1 Technology in the Municipality of Naval, Province of Biliran is
2 hereby converted into a state university to be known as the
3 [Naval State University (NSU)] **BILIRAN PROVINCE STATE**
4 **UNIVERSITY [(BILSU)] (BIPSU)**, hereinafter referred to as the
5 University, integrating therewith the Biliran National
6 Agricultural College in the Municipality of Biliran, both located
7 in the Province of Biliran. The main campus of the University
8 shall [be] **CONTINUE IN ITS PRESENT LOCATION** in the
9 Municipality of Naval, Province of Biliran.”

10 SEC. 2. Section 5 of Republic Act No. 9718 is hereby amended to read
11 as follows:

12 “SEC. 5. *The Governing Board.* – The governing board
13 of the University shall be the Board of Regents, hereinafter
14 referred to as the Board, which shall be composed of the
15 following:

16 “(a) The Chairperson of the Commission on Higher
17 Education (CHED), Chairperson:

18 “x x x

19 “(j) Two (2) prominent citizens from the private sector
20 who have distinguished themselves in their profession or fields
21 of specialization, as members.

22 “The Board shall appoint the two (2) prominent citizens
23 from among a list of at least five (5) qualified persons in the
24 Province of Biliran, whose nominations were submitted to the
25 Board after publication for at least two (2) consecutive weeks, as
26 recommended by the search committee constituted by the
27 University President, in consultation with the Chairperson of the
28 CHED and the other members of the Board, based on the normal
29 standards and qualifications for the position set by the Board.
30 [: *Provided,* That no private sector representative shall be

1 appointed to the Board if he/she is related by consanguinity or
2 affinity up to the third civil degree to any incumbent local or
3 national official.]

4 "x x x."

5 SEC. 3. Section 9 of Republic Act No. 9718 is hereby amended to read
6 as follows:

7 "SEC. 9. *The University President.* – The University
8 shall be headed by a President, who shall render full-time
9 service. [He/She] **THE PRESIDENT** shall be appointed by the
10 Board, subject to the guidelines, qualifications and/or standards
11 set by the Board, upon recommendation of a duly constituted
12 search committee: *Provided*, That in order to effect a smooth
13 transition to a state university, the incumbent President of the
14 [Naval Institute of Technology] [BILSU] BIPSU shall serve as
15 the first University President[: *Provided, further*, That no person
16 shall be appointed as University President if he/she is related by
17 consanguinity or affinity up to the third civil degree to any
18 incumbent local or national official].

19 "x x x."

20 SEC. 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The Governing Board
21 of the [BILSU] BIPSU, in consultation with the CHED, shall formulate the
22 guidelines to fully implement the provisions of this Act within ninety (90)
23 days from its effectivity.

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

Approved,