



S E N A T E

S. No. 2364

(In substitution of S. Nos. 1969 and 2273, taking into  
consideration H. No. 8320)

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PREPARED BY THE COMMITTEE ON BASIC EDUCATION, ARTS  
AND CULTURE WITH SENATORS SOTTO III, GATCHALIAN  
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AN ACT RECOGNIZING CCF LIFE ACADEMY  
FOUNDATION INC. AS AN EDUCATIONAL  
INSTITUTION OF INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER,  
GRANTING CERTAIN PREROGATIVES TO HASTEN  
ITS GROWTH AS SUCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1           SECTION 1. CCF Life Academy Foundation Inc.,  
2   herein referred to as the School, is hereby declared an  
3   educational institution of international character  
4   authorized to operate educational programs that primarily  
5   and principally adhere to universally accepted and  
6   recognized educational policies.

1           SEC. 2. "CCF Life Academy International" shall be  
2     the registered name of the School, which was established  
3     by religious groups and mission boards, and shall be  
4     governed by a Board of Trustees elected at large from  
5     among the School's members of good standing.

6           SEC. 3. To enable the School to continue carrying  
7     out its educational program, improve its standard of  
8     instruction, and meet the special needs of the foreign  
9     temporary resident community for quality education, it  
10    shall:

11          (a) Be able to accept provisions and donations of  
12     every kind to carry out the purposes of the School and be  
13     entitled to use properties, real or personal, so donated and  
14     to construct and own buildings thereon exclusively for  
15     educational purposes;

16          (b) Whenever necessary to carry out its objectives,  
17     have the right to obtain leases on real properties, acquire  
18     personal properties, tangible or intangible, or any interests  
19     in such properties other than real, by purchase, lease,  
20     barter, donation, gift or otherwise, and dispose of,

1 mortgage or encumber them for the benefit of the School  
2 concerned, subject to the limitations provided by law;

3 (c) Accept applicants for admission, regardless of  
4 nationality, in accordance with its own eligibility  
5 standards, and rules for admission and grade placement:  
6 *Provided*, That no single alien nationality shall consist  
7 more than thirty percent (30%) of the entire student  
8 population in a given school year, as stated in the records  
9 of the School, except in case of dependents of foreign  
10 diplomatic personnel or other foreign temporary residents,  
11 as may be provided by law;

12 (d) Be managed and administered by a President,  
13 Headmaster or Superintendent, who possesses the  
14 qualifications prescribed by the Board;

15 (e) Upon consultation with the Secretary of  
16 Education, determine its own curriculum and teach  
17 whatever language or languages it may deem proper and  
18 determine the amount of fees and assessments which may  
19 be reasonably imposed upon its pupils and students, to  
20 maintain or conform to the School's standard of education;

1           (f) Maintain the international standards of  
2 education compatible with those obtained in similar  
3 schools of generally recognized standing;

4           (g) Employ its own teaching and management  
5 personnel selected by the Board either locally or abroad,  
6 from the Philippines or other countries or nationalities,  
7 such foreign personnel being exempt from otherwise  
8 applicable laws and regulations attending their  
9 employment, except laws that have been or will be enacted  
10 for the protection of employees: *Provided*, That such  
11 exemption shall not extend to their liability for income  
12 taxes, unless otherwise provided by a bilateral agreement:  
13 *Provided, further*, That the School shall give priority in  
14 hiring locally qualified teaching and management  
15 personnel;

16           (h) Promote international friendship, goodwill and  
17 understanding among members of the foreign community  
18 and citizens of the Philippines; and

19           (i) Not to teach anything derogatory to the prestige  
20 and well-being of the Philippines and its people, nor those

1     which will subvert its institutions and government.

2             SEC. 4. Notwithstanding the recognition and  
3     prerogatives under this Act, the School shall be under the  
4     supervision and regulation of the Department of  
5     Education and shall adhere to basic laws and the rules  
6     and regulations of the Department governing  
7     international or foreign schools.

8             SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity  
9     of this Act, the Secretary of Education, in consultation  
10    with the members of the Board of the School, shall issue  
11    the rules and regulations to implement its provisions.

12            SEC. 6. If any clause, sentence, paragraph or part  
13    of this Act is subsequently declared unconstitutional, the  
14    validity of the remaining provisions hereof shall remain in  
15    full force and effect.

16            SEC. 7. Notwithstanding the non-issuance of the  
17    rules and regulations under Section 5 herein, this Act shall  
18    take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the  
19    *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

          Approved,