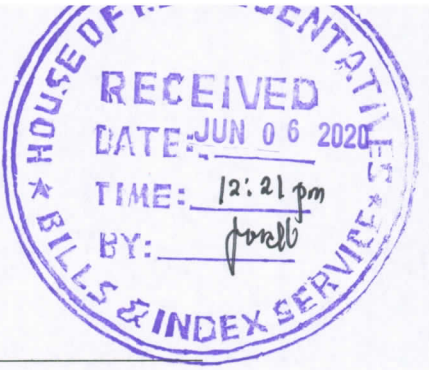

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 375

Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on JUN 06 2020

Re: House Bill No. 6976
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 424
Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go, Eric Go Yap, and Rufus B. Rodriguez

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 424, introduced by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez, entitled:

"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES SATELLITE CAMPUS IN BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 6976, entitled:

"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTSP) IN BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE USTSP-BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 424 and with Representatives Rufus B. Rodriguez, Mark O. Go, and Eric Go Yap as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chairperson
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Chairperson
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House Bill No. 6976
(In substitution of House Bill No. 424)

INTRODUCED BY REPS. RUFUS B. RODRIGUEZ, MARK O. GO, AND ERIC GO YAP

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTSP) IN BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE USTSP-BARANGAY BALUBAL, CAGAYAN DE ORO CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "*University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP)-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus Act*".

SEC. 2. There is hereby established a campus of the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines (USTSP), hereinafter referred to as the University, in Barangay Balubal, Cagayan De Oro City, to be known as the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus.

SEC. 3. The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus shall primarily provide short-term technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within its areas of competency and specialization, pursuant to its mandate, and according to its capabilities as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary to carry out its objectives, and those which respond to the human resources development needs of the Cagayan De Oro City and Region X.

The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus is also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 4. The USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus shall be headed by a Campus Administrator who shall render full-time service and shall be appointed or designated by the Board upon the recommendation of the search committee and the President of the University. Such appointment or designation shall be subject to the guidelines, qualifications and standards set by the Board.

SEC. 5. The establishment of the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus shall comply with the minimum requirements for its operation and program offerings as duly prescribed by the Commission on Higher Education.

SEC. 6. All assets, real and personal, personnel, and records of the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus, as well as liabilities or obligations, are hereby transferred to the University. The positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel employed at the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus under existing laws prior to the integration to the university shall be respected.

All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the USTSP-Barangay Balubal, Cagayan de Oro Campus are hereby declared to be the property of the University and shall be titled under that name: *Provided,* That should the University cease to exist or be abolished, or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the University, the same shall revert to the concerned LGU or to the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

SEC. 7. The provisions of Republic Act No. 8292, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Modernization Act of 1997", shall form an integral part of this Act, and together, shall serve as the governing charter of the University.

SEC. 8. All other powers, functions, privileges, responsibilities, and limitations to state universities and its officials under existing laws shall be deemed granted to or imposed upon the University and its officials, whenever appropriate.

SEC. 9. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 10. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 11. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 12. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,