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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE SAN ISIDRO SATELLITE CAMPUS OF THE LEYTE NORMAL UNIVERSITY LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN ISIDRO, PROVINCE OF LEYTE, INTO A REGULAR CAMPUS OF THE LEYTE NORMAL UNIVERSITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE LEYTE NORMAL UNIVERSITY-SAN ISIDRO CAMPUS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Leyte Normal University (LNU)-San Isidro Campus Act."

SEC. 2. The LNU-San Isidro Satellite Campus located in the Municipality of San Isidro, Province of Leyte, is hereby converted into a regular campus of the LNU to be known as the LNU-San Isidro Campus.

SEC. 3. The LNU-San Isidro Campus shall offer short-term, technical-vocational, undergraduate, and graduate courses within its areas of competency and specialization, as the Board of Regents, hereinafter referred to as the Board, may deem necessary for the accomplishment of its objectives, and those which respond to the human resource development needs of the Province of Leyte and Region VIII.

The LNU-San Isidro Campus is also mandated to undertake research and extension services, and production activities in support of the socio-economic development and to provide progressive leadership in these areas.

SEC. 4. The LNU-San Isidro Campus shall be headed by a Campus Administrator who shall render full-time service and shall be appointed by the Board, subject to the qualifications standards prescribed by the Board, and based on the recommendation of a search committee duly constituted for the purpose of selecting the Campus Administrator.

SEC. 5. The LNU shall ensure that the minimum requirements of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) for the operation of the LNU-San Isidro Campus, including those related to its course offerings, are fully complied with.

SEC 6. All assets, both real and personal, personnel, and records of the LNU-San Isidro Satellite Campus, as well as its liabilities or obligations, shall be transferred to the LNU. The positions, rights, and security of tenure of faculty members and personnel therein employed under existing laws prior to the conversion into a regular campus shall be respected.

All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the LNU-San Isidro Satellite Campus shall be transferred to the LNU: *Provided,* That should the campus or the LNU cease to exist or be abolished or should such aforementioned parcels of land be no longer needed by the LNU, the same shall revert to the local government unit concerned 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 part of this Act.

SEC. 8. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

The Municipality of San Isidro shall provide the same assistance until such time that the amount necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the LNU-San Isidro Campus shall be included in the annual GAA.

SEC. 9. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Board shall, in consultation with the CHED, issue rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this 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 other 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,