

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Bill No. 1231



Introduced by Representative Gerardo J. Espina, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE


The bill seeks to establish the TESDA Skills, Training and Accreditation Center in the municipality of Kawayan, Province of Biliran to be known as **Kawayan TESDA Training and Accreditation Center Act**.

The establishment of an accessible, high quality and efficient technical education and skills development center shall be beneficial not only to the new high school graduates but also to college graduates and to ordinary citizens.

The Lone District of Biliran is composed of eight (8) municipalities, namely: Almeria, Biliran, Cabucgayan, Caibiran, Culaba, Kawayan, Maripipi and Naval. The only existing TESDA Training Center in the province is located in the Municipality of Cabucgayan which is very far from the capital town of Naval that serves as the center of trade and commerce of the Province. Furthermore, it is ironic that the provincial office of TESDA is located in Barangay Atipolo, Naval and Biliran while the training center is located in Cabucgayan. The learners find it very difficult to travel to a far-flung area away from the main island. Not only costing them more expenses but also the time alone is already onerous for them.

This bill, which aims to equip the citizens with basic practical knowledge and technical expertise, geared towards a society that is self-reliant, productive, and more importantly employable. The necessity for the creation of a TESDA in Kawayan, Biliran shall serve the three (3) municipalities composed of the Island Municipality of Maripipi, Kawayan, and Culaba as well as other neighboring Municipalities and provinces since the existing TESDA Accreditation Centers located in the Municipality of Cabucgayan cannot cater to the whole province of Biliran.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE TECHNICAL EDUCATION
AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (TESDA) TRAINING AND
ACCREDITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KAWAYAN, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby created the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) Training and Accreditation Center in Kawayan, Biliran, to be known as "**Kawayan TESDA Training and Accreditation Center Act**".

Sec. 2. Implementing Rules and Regulations. The Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA) shall formulate the necessary Implementing Rules and Regulations for the appropriate implementation of this Act.

Sec. 3. Appropriations. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act on the year following the approval of this Act and in every year thereafter.

Sec. 4. Separability Clause - If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

Sec. 5. Repealing Clause - All laws, executive orders, decrees, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Sec. 6. Effectivity - This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,