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EXPLANATORY NOTE

When House Bill 6144 was being deliberated on, the idea was to have the amalgamation of the Mindanao University of Science and Technology (MUST) and the Misamis Oriental State College of Agriculture and Technology (MOSCAT) to one University which will be the preeminent University dedicated to Science and Technology in the entire Philippines. However, what came out from the deliberations and the eventual law (Republic Act 10919) was the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines.

The word "Southern" in the name of the University sometimes gives the impression that it caters only to and focuses on students coming from the South of the Philippines. We want to remove this impression. The performance of the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines has clearly shown that it is the foremost University focused on Science and Technology in the Philippines.

In view of the foregoing, immediate approval of this measure is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT

CHANGING THE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES INTO THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 10919 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. *Short Title.* - This Act shall be known as the "University of Science and Technology of [Southern] THE Philippines [(USTSP)] (USTP) Act".

SEC. 2. RA No. 10919 and all laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, and rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,