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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 405

Submitted by the Committee on Higher and Technical Education on 02 OCT 2017

Re: House Bill No. 6523

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5315

Sponsors: Representatives Ann K. Hofer and Cheryl Deloso-Montalla

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Higher and Technical Education, to which was referred:

House Bill No. 5315, introduced by Rep. Cheryl Deloso-Montalla, entitled:

“AN ACT

RENAMING THE RAMON MAGSAYSAY TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY (RMTU) INTO THE PRESIDENT RAMON MAGSAYSAY STATE UNIVERSITY (PRMSU) BROADENING AND STRENGTHENING ITS SCOPE AND FUNCTION AS A STATE UNIVERSITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 6523, entitled:

“AN ACT

RENAMING THE RAMON MAGSAYSAY TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY (RMTU) AS THE PRESIDENT RAMON MAGSAYSAY STATE UNIVERSITY (PRMSU), EXPANDING ITS CURRICULAR OFFERINGS AND STRENGTHENING ITS GOVERNING BOARD, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8498, ENTITLED: AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE RAMON MAGSAYSAY TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY OUT OF THE INTEGRATION OF THE RAMON MAGSAYSAY POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF IBA. THE WESTERN LUZON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN MARCELINO AND THE CANDELARIA SCHOOL OF FISHERIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CANDELARIA, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBALES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 5315 and with Representatives Cheryl Deloso-Montalla and Ann K. Hofer as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


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HON. ANN K. HOFER

Chairperson
Committee on Higher and
Technical Education



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HOUSE BILL NO. **6523**
(In Substitution of HB No. 5315)

INTRODUCED BY REPS. CHERYL DELOSO-MONTALLA
AND ANN K. HOFER

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Ramon Magsaysay Technological University (RMTU) in the
2 Province of Zambales is hereby renamed as the President Ramon Magsaysay State University
3 (PRMSU).
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5 All references to Ramon Magsaysay Technological University in Republic Act No.
6 8498 are now referred to as President Ramon Magsaysay State University.
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8 **SEC. 2.** As a comprehensive state university, the President Ramon Magsaysay State
9 University (PRMSU), hereinafter referred to as the University, shall primarily provide advance
10 and higher professional, technical and special instructions in education and technology,
11 engineering and architecture, agriculture, forestry and fisheries, public administration and
12 management, business and accountancy, economics and finance, tourism, hospitality and
13 culinary management, creative industries, humanities, arts and sciences, information and
14 communications technology, maritime education, law and legal management, medicine and
15 health-related programs, peace and security programs and other related fields of study. It shall
16 also undertake research and extension, as well as income-generation programs, for the
17 sustainable development of the Province of Zambales, the region and the country.
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19 **SEC. 3.** The University shall offer undergraduate and graduate programs in the fields of
20 education, technology, engineering and architecture, agriculture, forestry and fisheries, public
21 administration and management, business and accountancy, economics and finance, tourism,

1 hospitality and culinary management, creative industries, humanities, arts and sciences,
2 information and communications technology, maritime education, law and legal management,
3 medicine and health-related programs, peace and security programs and other relevant program
4 within its areas of specialization and according to its capabilities, as the Board of Regents may
5 deem necessary to carry out its objectives, in order to meet the needs of the Province of
6 Zambales, the region and the country.

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8 **SEC. 4.** The governing board of the University shall be the Board of Regents,
9 hereinafter referred to as the Board, which shall be composed of the following:

- 10 a. The Chairperson of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), Chairperson;
- 11 b. The President of the President Ramon Magsaysay State University, Co-Chairperson;
- 12 c. The Chairperson of the Committee on Education, Arts and Culture of the Senate,
13 member;
- 14 d. The Chairperson of the Committee on Higher and Technical Education of the House
15 of Representatives, member;
- 16 e. The Regional Director of the National Economic and Development Authority
17 (NEDA), member;
- 18 f. The Regional Director of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST),
19 member;
- 20 g. The Regional Director of the Department of Agriculture (DA), member;
- 21 h. The President of the federation of alumni associations of the University, member;
- 22 i. The President of the federation of student governments of the University, member;
- 23 j. The President of the federation of the faculty associations of the University,
24 member;
- 25 k. Three (3) prominent Chief Executive Officers (CEOs) of duly recognized national or
26 multinational corporations who have distinguished themselves in the fields of
27 specialization of the University or who have entered into a partnership with the
28 University, members; and
- 29 l. Two (2) prominent academicians in the Philippines who have distinguished
30 themselves in the fields of specialization of the University through their publication
31 and track record in research, members.

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33 The three (3) prominent CEOs and two (2) prominent academicians shall be chosen
34 from among a list of at least five (5) qualified persons respectively, as recommended by the
35 search committee of the University constituted by the University president, in consultation with
36 the Chairman of the CHED, based on normal standards and qualifications for the position.

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38 The three (3) prominent CEOs and the two (2) prominent academicians shall serve for a
39 term of two (2) years and may be reappointed by the Board of Regents for another term.

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2 **SEC. 5.** The University shall be headed by a President, who shall render full-time
3 service. The President shall be appointed by the Board, subject to the guidelines, qualifications
4 and standards set by the Board, upon recommendation of a duly constituted search committee:
5 *Provided*, That in order to effect a smooth transition to a comprehensive university, the
6 incumbent President of the RMTU shall serve as the first President of PRMSU until the end of
7 his current term.

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9 **SEC. 6.** All assets, real and personal, personnel and records of the RMTU, as well as
10 the liabilities or obligations, are hereby transferred to the University: *Provided*, That the
11 positions, rights and security of tenure of the faculty members and personnel therein employed
12 under existing laws prior to the renaming shall be respected: *Provided, further*, That the
13 incumbents of the positions shall remain in the same status until otherwise provided for the
14 Board: *Provided, finally*, That the University shall also include an upgrade or increase in its
15 human resource component.

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17 All parcels of land belonging to the government occupied by the RMTU are hereby
18 declared to be property of the University and shall be titled under that name: *Provided*, That
19 should the University cease to exist or be abolished or should such parcels of land be no longer
20 needed by the University, the same shall revert to the concerned Local Government Unit (LGU)
21 or to the Republic of the Philippines, as the case may be.

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23 **SEC. 7.** Sections 2,3,4, and 16 of Republic Act No. 8498 are deemed amended or
24 modified accordingly.

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27 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
28 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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30 *Approved,*