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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 575

Submitted by the Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations on

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Re: House Bill No. 7447
Recommending its approval without amendment
Sponsors: Representatives Mark O. Go, Eric Go Yap, and Joel Mayo Z. Almario

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Higher and Technical Education and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 7447, introduced by Rep. Joel Mayo Z. Almario, entitled:

"AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION IN THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 7447 be approved with Reps. Joel Mayo Z. Almario, Mark O. Go, and Eric Go Yap as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

ERIC GO YAP
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations

MARKO O. GO
Chairperson
Committee on Higher and Technical Education

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. 7447

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 7722 mandates the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to promote quality education and to take appropriate steps to ensure that education shall be accessible to all.

Fundamentally, the establishment of a CHED Provincial Office in the City of Mati enhances the achievement of its mandate as this will bring CHED closer to the 428 Technical and Vocational Institutions most of which have CHED accredited programs and to the Davao Oriental State University in the province. This will provide easier, faster, and smoother coordination among CHED's stakeholders leading to a more effective and efficient educational system.

With the increasing enrollments and graduates of tertiary programs and considering the distance barrier, now is the best time to establish a CHED Provincial Office in the City of Mati.

Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a provincial office of the Commission on Higher
Education (CHED), to be known as the CHED-Davao Oriental Provincial Office, which
shall exercise jurisdiction over said province and shall be headed by a provincial director.
The CHED-Davao Oriental Provincial Office shall be located in the City of Mati, Province
of Davao Oriental.

SEC. 2. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the CHED, in
coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), shall determine the
organizational structure and staffing pattern for the CHED-Davao Oriental Provincial
Office and submit the same to the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management
for approval.

SEC. 3. The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED’s
program the operationalization of the CHED-Davao Oriental Provincial Office.

SEC. 4. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be
included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5. The CHED shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective
implementation of this Act within sixty (60) days from its approval.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.