



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8084

BY REPRESENTATIVES GOMEZ, HOFER, VELOSO AND SY-ALVARADO,
PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 819

AN ACT RECTIFYING THE PERIOD TO CONSTITUTE
THE SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR THE PRESIDENCY OF
THE PALOMPON INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND
EXTENDING THE DEADLINE FOR ITS COMPLIANCE
WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE COMMISSION
ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR CONVERSION INTO A
STATE UNIVERSITY, THEREBY AMENDING SECTIONS 9
AND 25 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10599

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 9 of Republic Act No. 10599, entitled "An
2 Act Converting the Palompon Institute of Technology in the
3 Municipality of Palompon, Province of Leyte Into a State University
4 to be Known as the Palompon Polytechnic State University,
5 Integrating Therewith the Marcelino R. Veloso National Polytechnic
6 College in the Municipality of Tabango, Province of Leyte and
7 Appropriating Funds Therefor", shall be amended to read as follows:

8 "SEC. 9. *The University President.* - The
9 University shall be headed by a President, who

1 shall render full-time service and who shall be
2 appointed by the Board, subject to the guidelines,
3 qualifications and standards set by the Board, upon
4 recommendation of a duly constituted search
5 committee. The University President shall have a term
6 of four (4) years and shall be eligible for reappointment
7 for another term: *Provided*, That in order to effect a
8 smooth transition to a state university, the incumbent
9 President of the Palompon Institute of Technology, if
10 qualified, shall serve as the interim President of the
11 [PPSU] UNIVERSITY. However, within three (3) months
12 from the effectivity of this Act, a new President shall be
13 appointed by the Board.

14 "Within [six (6)] TWO (2) months before the
15 expiration of the term of office of the interim President
16 of the University, the Board shall constitute the Search
17 Committee for the Presidency (SCP).

18 "x x x."

19 SEC. 2. Section 25 of Republic Act No. 10599 shall be
20 amended to read as follows:

21 "SEC. 25. *Compliance With CHED Requirements.*

22 - The provisions of this Act notwithstanding, the
23 [establishment or] conversion of the institution into a
24 state university shall become effective only upon the
25 determination and declaration by the CHED, based on
26 the recommendation of a panel of experts, that the
27 institution has complied with the requirements for [a]

1 university status **BASED ON CHED MEMORANDUM**
2 **ORDER NO. 46, SERIES OF 2012.** The CHED, through
3 its regional office, shall regularly provide technical
4 assistance to the institution and monitor compliance
5 with the requirements of the Commission.

6 "The CHED shall designate a panel of experts who
7 shall prepare a recommendation to the Chairperson of
8 the CHED, on whether the institution has substantially
9 complied with the requirements for the grant of
10 university status.

11 "The following [are the] operational requirements
12 for a university[:], **AS ESTABLISHED BY THE CHED,**
13 **SHALL BE COMPLIED WITH:**

14 "[a] Level III accreditation or equivalent under
15 CHED policies for at least four (4) of its undergraduate
16 programs, one (1) in liberal arts and one (1) in the
17 sciences, and two (2) of its graduate programs;

18 (b) Ratio of qualified full-time faculty with
19 requisite degrees to number of students;

20 (c) Adequate library and laboratories;

21 (d) Research and development output of practical
22 and commercial application to the community;

23 (e) Relevant linkages and outreach programs that
24 are of service to the community; and

25 (f) Relevant academic policies, systems and
26 processes.]

1 (A) FACULTY MEMBERS WHO POSSESS RELEVANT
2 DEGREES IN THEIR AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION, AS
3 REQUIRED BY THE CHED, AND SHALL HAVE
4 PARTICIPATED IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT
5 ACTIVITIES IN THEIR RESPECTIVE DISCIPLINES, AS
6 EVIDENCED BY REFEREED PUBLICATIONS AND OTHER
7 SCHOLARLY OUTPUTS;

8 (B) A COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF DEGREE
9 PROGRAMS IN ALL LEVELS, FROM BASIC POST-
10 SECONDARY TO DOCTORAL PROGRAMS;

11 (C) VIABLE RESEARCH PROGRAMS IN SPECIFIC
12 (DISCIPLINAL AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY) AREAS OF
13 STUDY THAT PRODUCE NEW KNOWLEDGE, AS
14 EVIDENCED BY REFEREED PUBLICATIONS, CITATIONS,
15 INVENTIONS, AND PATENTS, AMONG OTHERS;

16 (D) COMPREHENSIVE LEARNING RESOURCES
17 AND SUPPORT STRUCTURES, TO INCLUDE LIBRARIES,
18 PRACTICUM LABORATORIES, RELEVANT EDUCATIONAL
19 RESOURCES, AND LINKAGES WITH THE RELEVANT
20 DISCIPLINAL AND PROFESSIONAL SECTORS, TO ALLOW
21 STUDENTS TO EXPLORE BASIC, ADVANCE, AND EVEN
22 CUTTING EDGE KNOWLEDGE IN A WIDE RANGE OF
23 DISCIPLINES OR PROFESSIONS;

24 (E) ACTIVE AND ONGOING LINKAGES AND
25 AFFILIATION WITH OTHER RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS
26 IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD THAT WOULD
27 ENSURE THAT THE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES OF THE
28 UNIVERSITY ARE FUNCTIONING AT CURRENT GLOBAL
29 STANDARDS; AND

30 (F) OUTREACH ACTIVITIES THAT ALLOW THE
31 STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND RESEARCH STAFF TO APPLY

1 THE NEW KNOWLEDGE THEY GENERATE TO ADDRESS
2 SPECIFIC SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS.

3 "The institution shall retain its status prior to the
4 effectivity of this Act, [unless in the meantime] UNTIL
5 it is able to comply with the requirements provided
6 herein[, within a period not exceeding January 1,
7 2016]."

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

Approved,

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