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BY REPRESENTATIVES BRAVO (M.V.), JAVIER, HOFER AND  
ZAMORA (M.C.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1033

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAMPUS OF THE MASBATE  
INSTITUTE OF FISHERIES AND TECHNOLOGY IN  
TICAO ISLAND, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, TO BE  
KNOWN AS THE MASBATE INSTITUTE OF FISHERIES  
AND TECHNOLOGY-TICAO ISLAND CAMPUS, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1           SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the  
2 “Masbate Institute of Fisheries and Technology-Ticao Island  
3 Campus Act”.

4           SEC. 2. *Establishment.* – There is hereby established a  
5 campus of the Masbate Institute of Fisheries and Technology in  
6 Ticao Island, Province of Masbate, under the supervision of  
7 the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority  
8 (TESDA), to be known as the Masbate Institute of Fisheries and  
9 Technology-Ticao Island Campus, hereinafter referred to as the  
10 Campus.

1           SEC. 3. *General Mandate.* – The Campus shall provide  
2 affordable, relevant, and quality technical-vocational education,  
3 including practical short-term specialty courses and one (1)-year  
4 to three (3)-year TESDA-registered technical-vocational skills  
5 training programs and certificate courses, to out-of-school youths,  
6 high school students and graduates, underemployed adults, other  
7 workers in the informal sector, and residents from low-income  
8 families, including persons with disabilities, in all the  
9 municipalities in Ticao Island and the adjacent islands, and  
10 the rest of Masbate, to help them become a productive, self-reliant  
11 and globally competitive skilled labor force. The Campus shall  
12 also aim to meet the maximum competency requirements under  
13 Level V of the Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF), as  
14 institutionalized by Republic Act No. 10968 (PQF Act), which is the  
15 Diploma Level in technical-vocational education. It shall also play a  
16 pivotal role in hastening the social and economic development of the  
17 Province of Masbate, as well as meet the manpower placement  
18 needs of both local and international labor markets.

19           The Campus shall also serve as a TESDA-accredited  
20 Assessment Center for acquired competencies in technical-  
21 vocational skills in Ticao Island.

22           SEC. 4. *Curricular Offerings/Training Programs.* –  
23 The Campus shall offer one (1)-year to three (3)-year  
24 technical-vocational and undergraduate certificate courses,  
25 including short-term courses and modular trainings in diverse  
26 relevant technical-vocational and industrial technology education,  
27 to comply with technical skills priorities, competency demands, and  
28 key employment generators under the Philippine Standards

1 Occupational Classification and the international labor  
2 requirements and standards.

3       SEC. 5. *Compliance with TESDA Requirements.* – The  
4 provisions of this Act notwithstanding, the establishment of the  
5 Masbate Institute of Fisheries and Technology-Ticao Island Campus  
6 shall become operationally effective only upon the final  
7 determination and declaration by the TESDA, through the issuance  
8 of a formal recommendation and certificate of compliance, that the  
9 Campus has satisfactorily complied with the minimum  
10 requirements and quality standards prescribed by the TESDA  
11 governing the following: (a) standard procedures and guidelines  
12 (SPGs) for the establishment and operation of a TESDA Campus; (b)  
13 operational sustainability of the Campus established herein, such as  
14 the appropriate TESDA-approved site or location, licensed  
15 faculty-trainers and personnel, equipment, training and laboratory  
16 facilities, including industrial-grade requirements for hard metal  
17 trainings, updated instructional materials, and such other standard  
18 requirements that the TESDA may apply for a TESDA-supervised  
19 institute and campus; (c) sustainable funding source and allocation  
20 of budget requirement to support the Campus hereto established;  
21 (d) assurance that the training programs offered are fully aligned  
22 with the minimum standards of competency-based quality  
23 technical-vocational skills technology and the needs of the  
24 Province of Masbate in the context of the Association of Southeast  
25 Asian Nations (ASEAN) framework and the PQF for  
26 technical-vocational education, the Philippine Standards  
27 Occupational Classification, and the international labor  
28 requirements and standards; and (e) compliance with such other

1 TESDA conditionalities, as may be necessary and applicable in  
2 establishing the herein Campus.

3       SEC. 6. *Administration.* – The Campus shall be headed by a  
4 Campus Administrator who shall be under the supervision of the  
5 Masbate Institute of Fisheries and the TESDA, and appointed by  
6 the TESDA Director General in accordance with civil service rules  
7 and regulations and the qualification requirements and standards  
8 for such office.

9       The Campus Administrator shall render full-time services and  
10 shall be responsible for the administration and operation of the  
11 Campus. The duties and responsibilities of the Campus  
12 Administrator, including the appropriate compensation schedule,  
13 shall follow the position qualification standards of the TESDA for  
14 such office, in consultation with the Department of Budget and  
15 Management.

16       The academic and administrative staff of the Campus shall be  
17 organized following the staffing pattern of the TESDA for such type  
18 of school/campus pursuant to existing laws, rules and regulations.

19       SEC. 7. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to  
20 implement the provisions of this Act, including the creation of  
21 plantilla positions for trainers and administrative staff, shall be  
22 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

23       SEC. 8. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any section  
24 of this Act shall be deemed unconstitutional or invalid, the other  
25 sections or provisions hereof shall not be affected and shall thereby  
26 remain in force and effect.

27       SEC. 9. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, executive orders,  
28 decrees, instructions, rules and regulations contrary to or

1 inconsistent with any provision of this Act are hereby repealed or  
2 amended accordingly.

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

Approved,

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