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BY REPRESENTATIVES SALCEDA, GO (M.), UNGAB, CABREDO,  
CASTRO (F.H.) AND NIETO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 120

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AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
THE BICOL UNIVERSITY (BU) – EAST CAMPUS PHYSICAL  
DEVELOPMENT PLAN AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE  
SCHOOL FACILITIES INSIDE THE BU – EAST CAMPUS

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

1           SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the  
2 “Bicol University (BU) – East Campus Physical Development Act”.

3           SEC. 2. *Declaration of State Policy.* – It is the policy of the  
4 State to protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality  
5 education at all levels. It shall also take into account regional and  
6 sectoral needs and conditions and encourage local planning in the  
7 development of educational policies and programs.

8           SEC. 3. *Objectives.* – The objectives of this Act are:

9           (a) To upgrade, strengthen, and establish laboratories at the  
10 BU – East Campus and to implement outcome-based education for  
11 all engineering programs by providing laboratory buildings and  
12 equipment to meet the minimum requirements of the Commission  
13 on Higher Education (CHED);

14           (b) To offer market-driven and relevant academic programs  
15 by providing facilities for engineering graduate programs, such as

1 audio-visual rooms, library for graduate students, and additional  
2 classrooms; and

3 (c) To upgrade and modernize the physical/infrastructure  
4 facilities by improving existing drainage system, water distribution  
5 system, power supply, communication lines, and constructing  
6 covered walks, library, student lounge/food centers, student offices,  
7 and comfort rooms.

8 SEC. 4. *Project Implementation.* – To carry out the  
9 objectives of this Act, the Bicol Innovation, Research and  
10 Technology Hub (BIRTH) is hereby established through the  
11 utilization of a three (3)-phased approach at the BU – East Campus  
12 in Legazpi City, Province of Albay. School facilities shall also be  
13 constructed inside the BU – East Campus under the physical  
14 development plan of the BU – East Campus. It shall be based on  
15 the following activities:

16 Phase 1

17 (a) BU – East Administration Building – a three (3)-storey  
18 general administration building that will house all the academic  
19 and administration offices;

20 (b) Bicol University College of Information Technology  
21 (BUCIT) Academe and Professional Building – a building exclusive  
22 for BUCIT that will be utilized by the academic and professional  
23 programs;

24 (c) Civil Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey building  
25 for undergraduate and graduate Civil Engineering programs;

26 (d) Chemical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey  
27 building for undergraduate and graduate Chemical Engineering  
28 programs;

1 (e) Electrical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey  
2 building for undergraduate and graduate Electrical Engineering  
3 programs;

4 (f) Mechanical Engineering Building – a three (3)-storey  
5 building for undergraduate and graduate Mechanical Engineering  
6 programs;

7 (g) Geo-Mines Building – a two (2)-storey building for  
8 Geodetic and Mining Engineering programs;

9 (h) Centralized Laboratory Building – a four (4)-storey  
10 building that will house all the laboratory rooms and equipment for  
11 all programs in the Bicol University College of Engineering;

12 (i) Architecture Building 2 – a two (2)-storey academic  
13 building;

14 (j) Road Opening/Widening – establishment of roads and  
15 sidewalks in the BU – East Campus;

16 (k) Road Widening/Rehabilitation;

17 (l) BU – East Gate Design and Development 1;

18 (m) BU – East Gate Design and Development 2; and

19 (n) Bicol Geographic Information Science Training Center.

20 Phase 2

21 (a) Comprehensive Drainage System Design and  
22 Establishment – essential for flood control and disaster  
23 preparedness;

24 (b) Rural River Flood Control/Rehabilitation/Slope  
25 Protection (Disaster Risk Reduction Management/Climate Change  
26 Adaptation);

27 (c) Solid Waste Management Facility; and

28 (d) Power Facility/Communication Lines Modernization.

## 1 Phase 3

2 (a) Food Science Building – an academic and laboratory  
3 building for food technology;

4 (b) Multi-Tech Building 2;

5 (c) Covered Pedestrian Walk Design and Establishment – a  
6 covered walk from the main gate to the buildings so as to protect  
7 students from different types of weather;

8 (d) Student Lounge/Center – a two (2)-storey student center  
9 that will house all student offices and hold student activities;

10 (e) Campus Food Court/Cafeteria – a two (2)-storey food  
11 center for use of faculty and non-teaching employees and students;

12 (f) Dormitory 1 – for women;

13 (g) Dormitory 2 – for men;

14 (h) Dormitory – Guestel/Commercial Building 1;

15 (i) BU – East Faculty and Staff Condominium – to provide  
16 condominium spaces for rent to faculty and staff (particularly those  
17 residents in the housing area affected by the campus development);

18 (j) Commercial Building 3 with gender and development-  
19 sensitive comfort rooms;

20 (k) Bicol Material Testing Center and Multi-Purpose  
21 Building – a three (3)-storey testing center open to private and  
22 public agencies and individuals and to be used for income  
23 generating projects of the university; and

24 (l) Sports and Recreational Area Enhancement; and  
25 BU – East Campus Perimeter Fence.

26 SEC. 5. *Appropriations.* – The amount necessary to carry  
27 out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual  
28 General Appropriations Act.

1           SEC. 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within sixty  
2 (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the BU, in consultation  
3 with the CHED, shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for  
4 its effective implementation.

5           SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, presidential degrees,  
6 executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent  
7 with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

8           SEC. 8. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect upon its  
9 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general  
10 circulation.

Approved,

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