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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 623

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Science and Technology and Finance on 40 5 FEB 2001

Re: S. No. 2261

Recommending its approval in substitution of S. No. 1199

Senator Magsaysay, Jr. Sponsor:

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Science and Technology and Finance to which was referred S. No. 1199, introduced by Senator Sotto III, entitled:

THE PHILIPPINE "AN ACT ESTABLISHING SCIENCE HERITAGE CENTER AND APPROPRIATING **FUNDS** THEREFOR"

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, S. No <u>2261</u> prepared by the Committiees, entitled :

"AN ACT

PROMOTING AND PRESERVING THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY ESTABLISHING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HERITAGE CENTER, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

be approved in substitution of S. No. 1199 with Senators Sotto III and Magsaysay Jr. as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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S E N A T E

S.B. No. 2261

Introduced by Senators Sotto III and Magsaysay, Jr.

AN ACT

PROMOTING AND PRESERVING THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY ESTABLISHING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE SCIENCE HERITAGE CENTER, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

- 1. SEC. 1 Title. This Act shall be known as the "Philippine Science Heritage
- 2. Center Act".
- 3. SEC. 2 Declaration of Policy It shall be declared the policy of the State to
- 4. support and encourage the development of the country's science and technology
- 5. program, to promote the Philippines' scientific contributions to the world, and to
- 6. highlight the richness of our heritage in science and technology.
- 7. SEC. 3 Philippine Science Heritage Center. There is hereby created a
- 8. Philippine Science Heritage Center, hereinafter referred to as the "Center", which
- 9. shall be managed, operated and maintained by the National Academy of Science
- 10. and Technology (NAST). The Center shall be the main repository of the
- 11. country's contributions, achievements and accomplishments in the field of
- 12. science and technology.
- 13. SEC. 4. Powers and Functions. The Center shall have the following powers
- 14. and functions:
- 15. (a) To document the works, ideas, inventions and products of Filipino
- 16. scientists, and other accomplishments in the field of science and technology;
- 17. (b) To establish a display area for samples of inventions, scientific products,
- 18. memorabilia, references and library materials;
- 19. (c) To produce printed materials to be used by the academe in teaching values
- 20. education with scientific insights, and which may be used as an alternative
- 21. source of information for the general public;
- 22. (d) To serve as the core network of science museums in the Philippines;
- 23. (e) Perform such acts as may be necessary for the effective implementation of
- 24. this Act.

1. SEC. 5. Rules and Regulations. - The NAST, in coordination with the

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- 2. Department of Science and Technology and other government agencies and
- 3. instrumentalities, shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary for the
- 4. implementation of the provisions of this Act.
- 5. SEC. 6. Appropriations. The amount needed to carry out the provisions of
- 6. this Act is hereby authorized to be appropriated in the General
- 7. Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law, in addition
- 8. to the amount appropriated for the National Academy of Science and
- 9. Technology.
- 10. SEC. 7. Fees and Charges. The Center may impose fees and other charges
- 11. sufficient to cover the costs of subsidizing the operation and maintenance of the
- 12. facilities of the Center.
- 13. SEC. 8. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, rules, and regulations
- 14. inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended
- 15. accordingly.
- 16. SEC. 9. Separability Clause. If, for any reason, any part or provision of this
- 17. Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, any part or provision not affected
- 18. thereby shall remain in full force and effect.
- 19. SEC. 10. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
- 20. complete publication in at least (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,