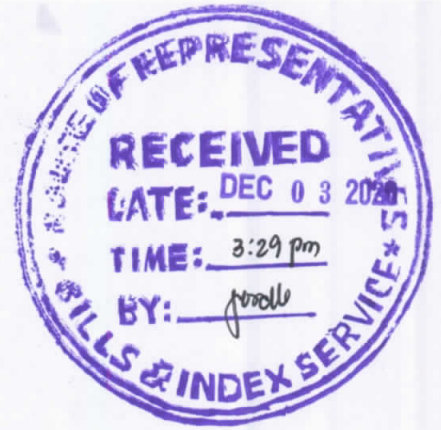


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) is duty bound to protect, foster and promote the right of citizens to affordable quality education at all levels and take appropriate steps to ensure that education shall be accessible. Pursuant to this mandate, the CHED has the responsibility to promote development grants, scholarships and other similar programs; evaluate the performance of programs and institutions of higher learning for appropriate incentives or imposition of sanctions and develop potential centers of excellence in program areas needed for national development.

To effectively discharge the aforementioned responsibilities, it is desirable that the CHED be in close proximity with its clientele and stakeholders to guarantee the prompt delivery of services. Bringing the CHED closer to its clientele by establishing an office within the province ensures a speedier and more efficient response to concerns on programs and projects, implementation of student subsidies and financial assistance in all higher educational institutions in the Province of Ilocos Sur.

Approval of this measure is thus earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER
EDUCATION (CHED) IN THE FIRST (1st) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT OF ILOCOS
SUR AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

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

SECTION 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-Ilocos Sur Provincial Office. The said organizational structure and staffing pattern shall be submitted to the Chairperson of the CHED and the Secretary of the DBM for approval.

SECTION 3. The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED's programs and operations of the CHED-Ilocos Sur Provincial Office.

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

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

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

Approved.