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HOUSE BILL NO. 6974
(In substitution of House Bill No. 5158)

**Introduced by Representatives DEOGRACIAS VICTOR "DV" B. SAVELLANO,
MARK O. GO, and ERIC GO YAP**

AN ACT

**ESTABLISHING A PROVINCIAL OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER
EDUCATION (CHED) IN VIGAN CITY, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established a provincial office of the Commission on
Higher Education (CHED) in the Province of Ilocos Sur, to be known as the CHED-Ilocos
Sur Provincial Office, which shall be headed by a provincial director. The CHED-Ilocos Sur
Provincial Office shall be located in Vigan City, Province of Ilocos Sur.

SEC. 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 by the Chairperson of the
CHED to the Secretary of the DBM for approval.

SEC. 3. The Chairperson of the CHED shall immediately include in the CHED's
programs the operationalization of the CHED-Ilocos Sur Provincial Office.

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

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

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

Approved.