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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 27

Submitted by the Committee on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education on FEB - 9 2023

Re: House Bill No. 1456

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 1456, with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Francis G. Escudero

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Higher, Technical and Vocational Education to which was referred **House Bill No. 1456**, introduced by Representatives Rodriguez (R.), Go (M.) and Mariano-Hernandez, entitled:

"AN ACT

CHANGING THE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES INTO THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919"

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has considered the same and has the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 1456, be approved with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, lines 1 to 5, delete the entire Section 1 and replace with the following:

"SECTION 1. CHANGE OF NAME. THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES, LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALUBIJID, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, CREATED AND REFERRED TO AS SUCH PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919, IS HEREBY RENAMED AS THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND **TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES OR USTP."**

2. On the same page, lines 7 to 9, delete the entire Section 2 and replace with the following:

"SEC. 2. *REPEALING CLAUSE.* – ALL PROVISIONS OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919 REFERRING TO THE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES, AND ALL OTHER LAWS, DECREES, EXECUTIVE ORDERS, ISSUANCES, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS OR PARTS THEREOF WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO AND INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT ARE HEREBY REPEALED, AMENDED OR MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY."

3. On the same page, lines 11 to 12, delete the entire Section 3 and replace with the following:

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"SEC. 3. *EFFECTIVITY.* – THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT FIFTEEN (15) DAYS AFTER ITS PUBLICATION IN THE

OFFICIAL GAZETTE OR IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION."

4. And finally, amend the title of the bill to read as follows:

"AN ACT

RENAMING THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES, LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALUBIJID, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS ORIENTAL, CREATED AND REFERRED TO AS SUCH PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919, AS THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES"

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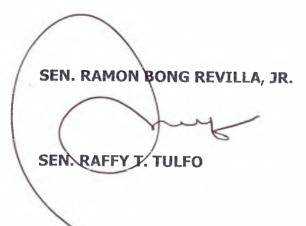
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1456

BY REPRESENTATIVES RODRIGUEZ (R.), GO (M.) AND MARIANO-HERNANDEZ

AN ACT

CHANGING THE NAME OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES INTO THE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10919

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

SECTION 1. Section 1 of Republic Act No. 10919 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. Short Title. — This Act shall be known as the "University of Science and Technology of [Southern] THE Philippines [(USTSP)] (USTP) Act".

SEC. 2. Republic Act No. 10919 and all laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, and rules
and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or
modified accordingly.

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

Approved,

CHANGE OF NAME OF UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES (USTSP) TO UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE PHILIPPINES (USTP)

Most immediate impact is on the international efforts of the University. Foreign students and scholars sometimes shy away from engaging with the University because of the connotations associated with the peace and order situation in Mindanao, without first exploring the real potential of Mindanao especially in providing innovative and quality higher education services.

By changing USTSP to USTP, we are also promoting inclusiveness of the brand of education that the University can provide, not in the Northern Mindanao, but also to its neighboring provinces and the country in general.

Hence, the proposed bill will not only change the name of the University but also the change the perspective toward the higher education in Mindanao which would open more opportunities for the University, its stakeholders, and the communities it serve.

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