H. No. 6598

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8076

AN ACT CONVERTING THE CALAPAN SCHOOL OF ARTS AND TRADES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CALAPAN, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO, INTO A COLLEGE TO BE KNOWN AS THE POLYTECHNIC COLLEGE OF CALAPAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Calapan School of Arts and Trades in the Municipality of Calapan, Province of Oriental Mindoro, is hereby converted into a college to be known as the Polytechnic College of Calapan, hereinafter referred to as the College.

SEC. 2. The College shall offer one to three years technical and vocational education courses and undergraduate courses in the field of industrial education and technology or such other courses which are relevant to the needs of its service area. It shall also promote research, advanced studies and progressive leadership in the stated field.

SEC. 3. In order not to disrupt the present administrative operation of the Calapan School of Arts and Trades, the incumbent vocational school administrator shall be the first vocational school superintendent of the College. The teachers, instructors and other school personnel shall be absorbed into the new upgraded positions that may be created in accordance with the needs of the curricular offerings of the College. They shall receive compensation and privileges equal to their counterparts in existing polytechnic colleges under the supervision of the Commission on Higher Education.

SEC. 4. All assets, fixed and movable, personnel, records and documents of the Calapan School of Arts and Trades as well

as liabilities shall be transferred to the Polytechnic College of Calapan: *Provided, however,* That the positions, rights and security of tenure of personnel employed herein pursuant to the existing laws prior to its conversion into a Polytechnic College of Calapan are not impaired.

SEC. 5. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Calapan School of Arts and Trades. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 6. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Lapsed into law on June 19, 1995 without the President's signature, pursuant to Sec. 27(1), Article VI of the Constitution.