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Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila

Eighteenth Congress

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Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, two thousand twenty-one.



[REPUBLIC ACT NO. **11914**]

AN ACT CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER INTO THE PROVINCIAL SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Provincial Science and Technology Office Act”.

SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It is the policy and duty of the State to fast-track the transfer of relevant and appropriate technologies and services to the rural areas particularly in the enhancement and development of technology-based livelihood enterprises in the countryside.

SEC. 3. *Provincial Science and Technology Offices (PSTOs).* – The Provincial Science and Technology Centers (PSTCs) of the Department of Science and Technology (DOST)

international standards in all aspects of operations of the PSTO; and

(l) Perform other related functions as may be assigned by higher authorities from time to time.

SEC 7. *Staffing Pattern.* – The Secretary of the DOST shall determine the organizational structure and staffing pattern of the PSTO in accordance with civil service laws, rules, and regulations, subject to the review and approval of the DBM.

SEC. 8. *Appropriations.* – The initial amount for the implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the DOST. Thereafter, such amount shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

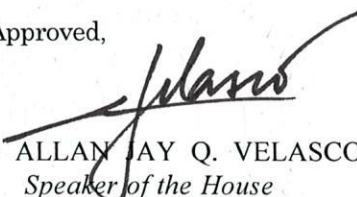
SEC. 9. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – The DOST, in consultation with concerned agencies and stakeholders, shall promulgate the implementing rules and regulations of this Act within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.


SEC. 10. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not otherwise affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 11. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.

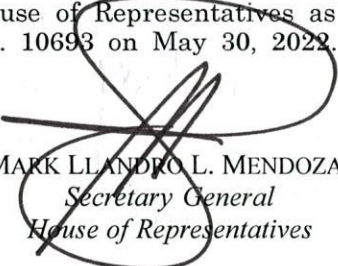
SEC. 12. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,



LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*


VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

This Act was passed by the Senate of the Philippines as Senate Bill No. 2484 on May 23, 2022 and adopted by the House of Representatives as an amendment to House Bill No. 10693 on May 30, 2022.



MARK LLANDRO L. MENDOZA
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*



MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA
Secretary of the Senate

Approved:

**Lapsed into law on JUL 30 2022
without the signature of the President,
in accordance with Article VI,
Section 27 (1), of the Constitution.**

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE
President of the Philippines

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