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S. No. 2261

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9107

AN ACT PROMOTING AND PRESERVING THE SCIENCE AND
TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES OF THE COUNTRY
ESTABLISHING FOR THIS PURPOSE THE PHILIPPINE
SCIENCE HERITAGE CENTER, APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the
"Philippine Science Heritage Center Act."

SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – It shall be declared the
policy of the State to support and encourage the development of
the country's science and technology program, to promote the
Philippines' scientific contributions to the world, and to highlight
the richness of our heritage in science and technology.

SEC. 3. *Philippine Science Heritage Center.* – There is
hereby created a Philippine Science Heritage Center, hereinafter
referred to as the "Center," which shall be managed, operated
and maintained by the National Academy of Science and
Technology (NAST). The Center shall be the main repository of
the country's contributions, achievements and accomplishments
in the field of science and technology.

SEC. 4. *Powers and Functions.* – The Center shall have
the following powers and functions:

(a) To document the works, ideas, inventions and products
of Filipino scientists, and other accomplishments in the field of
science and technology;

(b) To establish a display area for samples of inventions,
scientific products, memorabilia, references and library materials;

(c) To produce printed materials to be used by the academe in teaching values education with scientific insights, and which may be used as an alternative source of information for the general public;

(d) To serve as the core network of science museums in the Philippines; and

(e) To perform such acts as may be necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Rules and Regulations.* – The NAST, in coordination with the Department of Science and Technology and other government agencies and instrumentalities, shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 6. *Appropriations.* – The amount needed to carry out the provisions of this Act is hereby authorized to be appropriated in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law, in addition to the amount appropriated for the National Academy of Science and Technology.

SEC. 7. *Fees and Charges.* – The Center may impose fees and other charges sufficient to cover the costs of subsidizing the operation and maintenance of the facilities of the Center.

SEC. 8. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* – If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, any part or provision not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 10. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved, April 14, 2001.