

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4341, June 19, 1965]

AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR BUILDINGS, FACILITIES, AND OPERATING EXPENSES OF THE INSTITUTE OF PLANNING WITHIN THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared as a national policy to strengthen and assist government and local government agencies and private organizations in the study and solution of their development problems, to facilitate the realization of development proposals at all levels, to improve human settlements and their environments by the integration of social, economic, physical and administrative considerations to produce coordinated and comprehensive development studies and plans; and to make available a pool of capable professional urban and regional planners to assist in the achievement of this policy.

SEC. 2. Pursuant to this policy, the University of the Philippines is hereby authorized to establish an Institute of Planning, for which there is hereby authorized to be appropriated four hundred thousand pesos, out of the general funds of the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the construction of buildings and the purchase of equipment and facilities necessary for the establishment of the Institute: *Provided, however,* That an additional amount of four hundred thousand pesos shall be appropriated annually under the National Economic Council budget in the General Appropriations Act over the five-year period as counterpart fund beginning with the next succeeding fiscal year for the Institute and three hundred fifty thousand pesos annually beginning with the next succeeding fiscal year for operational expenses of the Institute.

SEC. 3. An Advisory Council is hereby established composed of the Dean of the University of the Philippines Graduate School of Public Administration, the Dean of the College of Engineering, the Chief of the Division of Planning of the National Economic Council and three members to be appointed by the Board of Regents on recommendation of the President of the University of the Philippines. The Council shall advise the Institute on technical and policy matters.

SEC. 4. The different departments, agencies, and subdivisions of the Government as well as government-owned or controlled corporations of the Philippine Government are hereby authorized to utilize savings from any item or items of their appropriation to cover such fees, transportation and other necessary expenses as may be required by their respective officials and employees who shall undergo training in the Institute of Planning.

SEC. 5. The University of the Philippines may seek or obtain the services of any