

Republic of the Philippines  
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS  
Meralco Drive, Pasig, Metro Manila

June 3, 1994

DECS Order No. 28, s. 1994

**ABOLITION OF THE NATIONAL COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (NCEE)**

To: Bureau Directors, Regional Directors, Schools Superintendents  
Heads of State Colleges and Universities  
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. Republic Act No. 7731, or "An Act Abolishing the National College Entrance Examination, Repealing for the Purpose Presidential Decree No. 146", was approved last June 2, 1994. Briefly, the requirement of an entrance examination for entry into initial four-year tertiary bachelors' programs under PD 146 was abolished, all those who had failed the NCEE in prior years may now be considered for admission to all tertiary programs, and no national entrance examinations shall henceforth be required for post-secondary degree programs. This Office is in full accord with the new law.

2. In compliance therewith, all remaining prospective activities pertaining to the said NCEE such as the 1993 Special NCEE scheduled on June 26, 1994 as per DECS Order No. 15, s. 1994, and the registration fees collected in connection with the conduct of the 1993 Special NCEE shall therefore be refunded to the registrants concerned.

3. The issuance of certifications of NCEE ratings and certificates of NCEE exemptions are hereby terminated. Local and foreign students are no longer required to have an NCEE rating for admission to any degree program. All students who failed the NCEE can now enroll in degree courses subject to the admission requirements of the institutions concerned.

4. This Order shall take effect immediately. All previous DECS issuances relative to the implementation of the NCEE inconsistent with the provisions of the Act are deemed rescinded. Immediate and widest dissemination of this Order is desired for the information and guidance of all concerned.



ARMAND V. FABELLA  
Secretary

References:

PD 146

BPS Memorandum: No. 20, s. 1973

Allotment: 1-2-3-4-(M.O. 1-87)

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S. No. 1515  
H. No. 5111

Republic of the Philippines  
Congress of the Philippines  
Metro Manila

Second Regular Session

Began and held in Metro Manila, on Monday the twenty-sixth day of July,  
nineteen hundred and ninety three.

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[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7731 ]

AN ACT ABOLISHING THE NATIONAL COLLEGE  
ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (NCEE), REPEALING  
FOR THE PURPOSE PRESIDENTIAL DECREE  
NUMBERED ONE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX

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

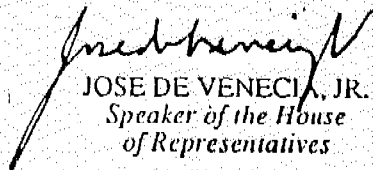
SECTION 1. Presidential Decree Numbered One Hundred Forty-Six (P. D. No. 146), entitled, "Upgrading the Quality of Education in the Philippines by Requiring All High School Graduates Seeking Admission to Post Secondary Degree Programs Necessitating a Minimum of Four Years Study To Pass a National Entrance Examination and Appropriating Funds Therefor", is hereby repealed.

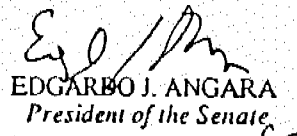
SEC. 2. Those who failed the examinations, as required under P. D. No. 146, and failed to make the grade for admissions shall no longer be denied or refused enrollment by any school, college or university to any post-secondary program necessitating a minimum of four (4) years as prescribed under the said Decree subject to the admission requirements of the institutions concerned.

SEC. 3. No national entrance examination shall be required for admission to post-secondary degree programs.

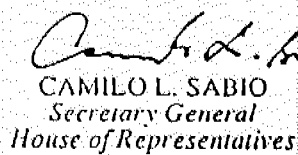
SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

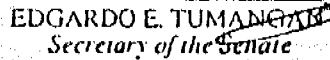
Approved,

  
JOSE DE VENECIA, JR.  
*Speaker of the House  
of Representatives*

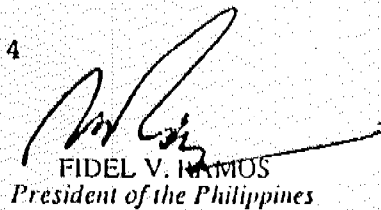
  
EDGARDO J. ANGARA  
*President of the Senate*

This Act which is a consolidation of Senate Bill No. 1515 and House Bill No. 5111 was finally passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives on June 1, 1994.

  
CAMILO L. SABIO  
*Secretary General  
House of Representatives*

  
EDGARDO E. TUMANGKANG  
*Secretary of the Senate*

Approved:  
02 JUNE 1994

  
FIDEL V. RAMOS  
*President of the Philippines*