

[PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 700, May 12, 1975]

AMENDING PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 470 CONVERTING THE VISAYAS AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE INTO THE VISAYAS STATE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Educational Project Implementing Task Force, Department of Education, has recommended that the Visayas State College of Agriculture be developed and given the necessary facilities and powers to serve the whole Visayas region; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to amend the said Presidential Decree to expand and strengthen the curricular programs in agriculture and applied sciences and make sure that the College shall have major thrusts in Rural Sociology and Development Communication, Agricultural Business Management and Cooperatives Education, Barrio Industries Training, Research and Development, Training and Research Programs in Coconut, Abaca and Rootcrops, and Technician Training in Forestry and in Animal Health and Production in line with the administration's educational development programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby order and decree the amendment of Presidential Decree No. 470, as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 8 of Presidential Decree No. 470 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 8. The College shall have the general powers set forth in Section 13 of Act 1459 the exercise of which are hereby vested exclusively in the Board of Trustees and the President of the College in so far as authorized by the Board. In addition to its general powers of administration, the Board of Trustees shall have the following powers and duties:

"x x x x x

(c) To appoint, upon recommendation of the President of the College, Vice Presidents and deans, heads of departments, professors, instructors, lecturers and other officers and employees of the College; to fix their compensation; to prescribe their hours of service, duties and the conditions of work as it may deem necessary and proper; to grant to them in its discretion, leave of absence under such regulations as it may promulgate, any provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, and to remove them for cause after due investigation and hearing."

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SEC. 2. Section 8 of the same Decree is hereby further amended by adding another paragraph after letter (j) to read as follows:

(k) To undertake construction and/or repair of its buildings, machineries, equipment and other facilities, and print technical and educational