



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 671

BY REPRESENTATIVE SARMIENTO (C.)

AN ACT DECLARING THE PURARAN BEACH AND ITS PREMISES
LOCATED IN PURARAN, BARAS, CATANDUANES AS AN
ECO-TOURISM AREA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. The Puraran Beach and its premises located in Puraran,
2 Baras, Catanduanes is hereby declared an eco-tourism area. As such, it shall
3 be accorded priority development by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and
4 shall be subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of
5 eco-tourism areas.

6 SEC. 2. The DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and
7 Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) and other concerned agencies of the
8 government shall, within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, prepare
9 the development plan involving the construction, installation and/or
10 maintenance of such appropriate facilities which shall enhance tourism in the
11 area: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the preservation of
12 the natural beauty and historical significance thereof.

1 SEC. 3. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the said
2 development plan and incorporate the same in the Department's overall
3 tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

4 SEC. 4. The DOT shall likewise promulgate the necessary rules and
5 regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

6 SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's
7 program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be
8 included in the annual General Appropriations Act and/or internally generated
9 funds of the Department.

10 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
11 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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