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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5649

BY REPRESENTATIVE SUANSING, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 663

AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AQUATIC RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTAL BREEDING STATION FOR LAKE, RIVER AND OTHER INLAND FISHES IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision and control of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), an aquatic research and experimental breeding station for lake, river and other inland fishes in the First District of the Province of Nueva Ecija.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the establishment of an aquatic research and experimental breeding station for lake, river and other inland fishes, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local government units concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for its operationalization.

SEC. 3. The BFAR-DA is hereby authorized to establish, acquire and
maintain the land, fishponds, facilities and equipment as may be necessary to
implement the intents and purposes of this Act. For this purpose, the aquatic
research and experimental breeding station for lake, river and other inland
fishes may promulgate such rules and regulations on the breeding, propagation
and distribution of fries, fingerlings and spawners to those engaged in the
fishing industry.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,