



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4862

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GONZALEZ, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 71

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN  
THE CITY OF LIGAO, PROVINCE OF ALBAY AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

1           SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the  
2 Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture  
3 (BFAR-DA), a multi-species marine hatchery in the City of Ligao, Province of  
4 Albay.

5           SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall, within two (2) years after the  
6 construction of the multi-species marine hatchery, transfer the management of  
7 the same to the local government unit concerned through a memorandum of  
8 agreement. It shall implement a training and phasing-in program for local  
9 government personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.

10           SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's  
11 programs the establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in the City of  
12 Ligao, Province of Albay, the funding of which shall be included in the annual  
13 General Appropriations Act. The local government unit concerned shall set  
14 aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate  
15 for the operationalization of the hatchery.

1           SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the passage of this Act, the  
2 Secretary of Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the  
3 supervision, monitoring, transfer, or withdrawal by the BFAR of the  
4 multi-species marine hatchery.

5           SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication  
6 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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