



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6587

BY REPRESENTATIVES BATAOIL, NOGRALES (K.A) AND
PRIMICIAS-AGABAS, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 444

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
THE LINGAYEN GULF MARINE ECOTOURISM PARK
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE
OF PANGASINAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the "Lingayen Gulf
2 Marine Ecotourism Park Act".

3 SEC. 2. It shall be the declared policy of the State to promote
4 and protect the right of the people to a healthful ecology in accord
5 with the rhythm and harmony of nature that shall encourage the
6 development of marine ecotourism in the country, to attract local
7 and foreign tourists to secure the country's share in the world
8 tourism market and to make it an avenue for the generation of
9 employment while ensuring environmental protection, conservation
10 and preservation of the natural resources and ensuring public
11 safety.

1 SEC. 3. There shall be established a marine ecotourism park
2 in the Municipality of Lingayen, Province of Pangasinan, to be
3 known as the Lingayen Gulf Marine Ecotourism Park. This shall
4 be under the supervision of the Department of Tourism (DOT), in
5 coordination with the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of
6 the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), the Provincial
7 Government of Pangasinan and the Municipal Government of
8 Lingayen. The Lingayen Marine Ecotourism Park shall be located
9 at the Capitol Beach Front, adjacent to the Lingayen Baywalk along
10 the coast of the historic Lingayen Gulf.

11 SEC. 4. For the purpose of this Act, a Marine Ecotourism
12 Park Governing Board is hereby created, to be known as the
13 Lingayen Gulf Marine Ecotourism Park Board. It shall be
14 composed of the following:

15 (a) The Governor of the Province of Pangasinan, as
16 Chairperson;

17 (b) The Representative of the Second District of the Province
18 of Pangasinan, as Cochairperson;

19 (c) The DOT Regional Director for Region 1, as member;

20 (d) The DA Regional Executive Director for Region 1, as
21 member;

22 (e) The Mayor of the Municipality of Lingayen, as member;

23 (f) One (1) representative from the business sector, as
24 member; and

25 (g) One (1) representative from the private sector, as member.

26 SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the
27 Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding
28 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act
29 and from internally generated funds of the DOT.

1 SEC. 6. Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this
2 Act, the Secretary of the DOT, in coordination with the Director of
3 the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources-Region 1 of the DA
4 and concerned local government units shall issue the necessary
5 rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

6 SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
7 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general
8 circulation.

Approved,

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