



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6927

BY REPRESENTATIVES UY (J.) AND NOGRALES (K.A.), PER COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 565

AN ACT DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF MISAMIS
ORIENTAL A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT 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 Province of Misamis Oriental is hereby
2 declared a tourism development area. As such, its development
3 shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and the
4 Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH), and shall be
5 subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of
6 tourism development areas.

7 SEC. 2. The DOT, in coordination with the Tourism
8 Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority and other concerned
9 agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development
10 plan providing for the development, maintenance, improvement and
11 restoration of tourist sites, where appropriate, in conformity with
12 set forth standards, including the construction of hotels, resorts,
13 restaurants, recreational facilities and other appropriate facilities

1 and infrastructure: *Provided*, That said development plan shall
2 ensure the preservation of the ecological balance and natural beauty
3 of the areas concerned.

4 SEC. 3. The DPWH, in coordination with the DOT, shall
5 implement the construction and/or improvement of roads and other
6 infrastructure necessary in the development of the Province of
7 Misamis Oriental upon the promulgation of this Act and incorporate
8 the same in its infrastructure program.

9 SEC. 4. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement
10 the development plan and incorporate the same in the Department's
11 overall tourism development program for the ensuing year.

12 SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT and the Secretary of the
13 DPWH shall include in their respective Departments' programs the
14 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included
15 in the annual General Appropriations Act and from internally
16 generated funds of the DOT.

17 SEC. 6. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act,
18 the DOT shall likewise promulgate the necessary rules and
19 regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

20 SEC. 7. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules
21 and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with any of
22 the provisions of this Act shall be deemed repealed or modified
23 accordingly.

24 SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
25 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general
26 circulation.

Approved,