



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7497

BY REPRESENTATIVES SUANSING (E.) AND NOGRALES (K.A.), PER
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 708

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:*

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

7 SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall transfer the management of the
8 aquatic research and experimental breeding station to the local
9 government unit concerned within two (2) years after its
10 establishment through a memorandum of agreement. It shall

1 implement a training and phasing-in program for local government
2 personnel on the management and operation of the station.

3 SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the
4 Department's programs the establishment of the aquatic research
5 and experimental breeding station, the funding of which shall be
6 included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local
7 government unit concerned shall set aside funds from any available
8 local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the
9 operationalization of the aquatic research and experimental
10 breeding station.

11 SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act,
12 the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations
13 on the establishment, supervision, operation, monitoring, and the
14 eventual transfer of the management of the breeding station to the
15 local government unit concerned.

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

Approved,

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