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BY REPRESENTATIVES TUPAS AND NOGRALES (K.A.), PER COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 700

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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTISPECIES MARINE  
HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BAROTAC  
VIEJO, PROVINCE OF ILOILO 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  
2 of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department  
3 of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), a multispecies marine hatchery in the  
4 Municipality of Barotac Viejo, Province of Iloilo.

5           SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall, within three (3) years after the  
6 establishment of the multispecies marine hatchery, transfer the  
7 management of the same to the Northern Iloilo Polytechnic State  
8 College (NIPSC) through a memorandum of agreement. The  
9 BFAR-DA shall implement a training and phasing-in program for  
10 NIPSC personnel on the management and operation of the  
11 multispecies marine hatchery.

1           The BFAR-DA and the NIPSC shall conduct continuing  
2 research and experimentation on the breeding and production of  
3 marine species, especially as they apply to local conditions, to  
4 discover new methods and technology that shall benefit the fisheries  
5 industry.

6           SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the  
7 Department's programs the establishment of the multispecies  
8 marine hatchery in the Municipality of Barotac Viejo, Province of  
9 Iloilo, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General  
10 Appropriations Act. The NIPSC concerned shall set aside funds  
11 from any available revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for  
12 the operationalization of the hatchery.

13           SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act,  
14 the Department of Agriculture and the NIPSC shall issue the rules  
15 and regulations on the establishment, supervision, monitoring, and  
16 the eventual transfer of the management of the multispecies marine  
17 hatchery to the NIPSC.

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

Approved,

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