



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8642

BY REPRESENTATIVES BATAOIL, NOGRALES (K.A.) AND NIETO,
PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 948

AN ACT DECLARING THE TINAKAYANAN FALLS IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF LABRADOR, PROVINCE OF
PANGASINAN AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. The Tinakayanan Falls located in the
2 Municipality of Labrador, Province of Pangasinan is hereby
3 declared an ecotourism site. As such, its development shall be
4 prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the
5 rules and regulations governing the development of ecotourism
6 sites.

7 SEC. 2. Within six (6) months after the approval of this Act,
8 the DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and
9 Enterprise Zone Authority and other concerned agencies of the
10 government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving
11 the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate
12 facilities and infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area:

1 *Provided*, That the development plan shall ensure the preservation
2 of the natural beauty and resources of the area.

3 SEC. 3. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement
4 the tourism development plan and incorporate the same in its
5 tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

6 SEC. 4. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the
7 Department's program the implementation of the tourism
8 development plan for Tinakayanan Falls, the funding of which shall
9 be included in the annual General Appropriations Act and
10 internally generated funds of the DOT.

11 SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act,
12 the Secretary of the DOT shall promulgate the necessary rules and
13 regulations for its proper implementation.

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

Approved,

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