



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT DECLARING THE MANGABUL RESERVATION IN THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF BAYAMBANG, PROVINCE OF  
PANGASINAN, AN AGRICULTURAL LAND OPEN TO  
DISPOSITION FOR AGRICULTURAL, RESIDENTIAL AND  
OTHER PRODUCTIVE PURPOSES

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

1           SECTION 1. The parcel of land constituting the Mangabul Reservation  
2 pursuant to Act No. 4041, located in the Municipality of Bayambang,  
3 Province of Pangasinan is hereby declared an agricultural land open to  
4 disposition for agricultural, residential and other productive purposes of the  
5 bona fide and long term farmers and occupants thereof. The land, falling  
6 within Plan Number Insular Public Domain (IPD) Ninety-two (92) of the  
7 Bureau of Lands, further identified by the National Mapping and Resource  
8 Information Authority (NAMRIA) to be under Timberland Block, Project No.  
9 37, Land Classification Map 698 approved in November 1927, has an

1 aggregate area of two thousand fifty-nine (2,059) hectares more or less,  
2 subject to actual ground survey.

3 SEC. 2. An *Ad hoc* Committee is hereby organized to issue the  
4 necessary guidelines and determine the qualified beneficiaries under this Act.  
5 The *Ad hoc* Committee shall be composed of the representative of the  
6 Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) as chairman, and  
7 one representative each of the following, as members: (a) the Mayor of the  
8 Municipality of Bayambang; (b) the Municipal Agrarian Reform Office in  
9 Bayambang; (c) the farmers' organization in the area duly accredited by the  
10 local office of the Department of Agriculture (DA) or the Department of  
11 Agrarian Reform (DAR); (d) the Provincial Governor of Pangasinan; (e) the  
12 Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan; and (f) the Provincial Director of  
13 the Philippine National Police (PNP) in Pangasinan.

14 SEC. 3. The DENR, in coordination with the *Ad hoc* Committee, shall  
15 subdivide the parcel of land covered by this Act subject to Sections 4 and 5  
16 herein. Each lot shall be clearly identified by technical description and duly  
17 marked on the ground by concrete monuments: *Provided*, That the size of  
18 farm lots, to ensure equity, shall be uniform: *Provided, further*, That a  
19 beneficiary of a farm lot whose residence is located in the built-up area or  
20 barangay center shall also be awarded a residential lot.

21 SEC. 4. In addition to the residential lots, certain lots or sections in the  
22 built-up areas shall be allocated for public and quasi-public purposes such as  
23 for parks, communal forests, streets, buildings or facilities of national

1 government offices, public schools, barangay halls, barangay clinics and  
2 similar purposes: *Provided*, That the identification of lots for public and  
3 quasi-public purposes shall be conducted in coordination with concerned local  
4 government units and the officials of the national government agencies in the  
5 area: *Provided, further*, That the areas allocated for public and quasi-public  
6 purposes shall be clearly identified by technical description.

7 Conflicting claims shall be decided by the *Ad hoc* Committee after due  
8 hearing and may be brought on appeal to the DENR Secretary.

9 SEC. 5. The creeks, streams, rivers or waterways within the Mangabul  
10 Reservation and the strips of land at least twenty (20) meters wide from each  
11 other bank on such creeks, streams, rivers or waterways shall remain as  
12 permanent timberlands. The said permanent timberlands shall be bounded and  
13 delineated on the map and marked on the ground with concrete monuments

14 SEC. 6. Ninety (90) days following the effectivity of this Act, the  
15 DENR in coordination with the *Ad hoc* Committee shall subdivide the parcel  
16 of land subject to this Act and award patents over individual lots to the  
17 qualified beneficiaries in accordance with the provisions of Commonwealth  
18 Act No. 141, otherwise known as the "Public Land Act", as amended, and  
19 Republic Act No. 730 entitled, "An Act to Permit the Sale Without Public  
20 Auction of Public Lands of the Republic of the Philippines for Residential  
21 Purposes to Qualified Applicants under Certain Conditions."

22 SEC. 7. Except in favor of the government or any of its branches, units  
23 or institutions, lands acquired under the provisions of this Act shall not be

1 subject to encumbrance or alienation before the patent is issued and for a term  
2 of ten (10) years from the date of the issuance of such patent, nor shall they  
3 become liable to the satisfaction of any debt contracted prior to the expiration  
4 of said period. No transfer or alienation made after said period of ten (10)  
5 years and within fifteen (15) years from the issuance of such patent except  
6 those made by virtue of the right of succession shall be valid unless duly  
7 authorized by the DENR Secretary and only if the transferee or vendee is a  
8 Filipino citizen. Every conveyance made shall be subject to repurchase by the  
9 original beneficiary of this Act and his legal heirs within a period of five years  
10 from the date of such conveyance.

11 Any contract or agreement made or executed in violation of this Section  
12 shall be void *ab initio*.

13 SEC. 8. Act No. 4041 is hereby repealed. All other law, decrees,  
14 proclamations, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are  
15 likewise hereby repealed, amended or modified.

16 SEC. 9. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication  
17 in the *Official Gazette* or in two newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,