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House Bill No. ___**7369**___

Introduced by Representative Jose Francisco "Kiko" B. Benitez, Ph.D.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN BARANGAY MAMBUCOG, TALISAY CITY, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, 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 of the Bureau of Fisheries
2   and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), a multi-species marine
3   hatchery in Barangay Mambucog, Talisay City, Province of Negros Occidental.

        SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall transfer the management of the multi-species marine hatchery
6   to the local government of Barangay Mambucog, Talisay City within two (2) years after its
7   construction through a memorandum of agreement. It shall implement a training and phasing-in
8   program for local government personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.
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10   SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the
11   establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in Barangay Mambucog, Talisay City, Province
12   of Negros Occidental, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations
13   Act. The local government units concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in
14   an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.
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16   Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture
17   shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and the eventual
18   transfer of the management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local government of
      Barangay Mambucog, Talisay City.
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21   Sec. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
22   *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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