

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Bill No. 7688

Introduced by Rep. Geraldine B. Roman

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN BARANGAY MABAYO, MUNICIPALITY OF MORONG, PROVINCE OF BATAAN, 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 and
2 Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), a multi-species marine hatchery in
3 Barangay Mabayo, Municipality of Morong, Province of Bataan.
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5 SEC. 2. Within two (2) years after the establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery, the
6 BFAR-DA through a memorandum of agreement, shall transfer the management of the hatchery to the
7 local government units (LGUs) concerned. With assistance from the Bataan Peninsula State University,
8 the BFAR-DA shall implement a training and phasing-in program for local government personnel on the
9 management and operation of the hatchery.
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11 SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the
12 establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in Barangay Mabayo, Municipality of Morong,
13 Province of Bataan, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The
14 local government units concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount
15 deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.
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17 Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the passage of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall
18 issue the rules and regulations on the establishment, supervision, monitoring, and the transfer of the
19 management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local government units concerned.
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21 Sec. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in
22 a newspaper of general circulation.
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24 Approved,