

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8377

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BY REPRESENTATIVE DE VENECIA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 707

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**AN ACT  
DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF MANAOAG IN THE PROVINCE OF  
PANGASINAN A TOURISM DESTINATION, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFOR**

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

1           **SECTION 1.** The Municipality of Manaoag in the Province of Pangasinan, is  
2 hereby declared a tourism destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by  
3 the Department of Tourism (DOT) and other concerned agencies of government, in  
4 coordination with the municipal government of Manaoag, subject to the rules and  
5 regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

6           **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in  
7 coordination with the municipal government of Manaoag, shall prepare a tourism  
8 development plan that shall contain, among others, the construction, installation and  
9 maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure that shall encourage tourism  
10 in the area, thereby ensuring its accessibility and the security of tourists: *Provided*, That  
11 the development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the historical  
12 significance of the area.

13           **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the tourism  
14 development plan and incorporate the same in the National Tourism Development Plan.

15           **SEC. 4.** The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program  
16 the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual

1 General Appropriations Act and shall augment such allocation with internally generated  
2 funds of the DOT.

3           **SEC. 5.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, presidential decrees or  
4 other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed  
5 repealed or amended accordingly.

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

8           Approved,