



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 9622

BY REPRESENTATIVE BILLONES, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1056

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING AN AQUACULTURE FEED MILL PLANT IN BARANGAY BAHIT, MUNICIPALITY OF PANAY, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ 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 (DA-BFAR), an aquaculture feed mill
3 plant in Barangay Bahit, Municipality of Panay, Province of Capiz.

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5 SEC. 2. Within five (5) years after its construction the DA-BFAR, through a memorandum
6 of agreement, shall transfer the management of the aquaculture feed mill plant to the local
7 government units (LGUs) concerned. With the assistance of the Southeast Asian Fisheries
8 Development Center Aquaculture Department (SEAFDEC/AQD), the DA-BFAR shall implement a
9 training and phasing-in program for local government personnel on the management and operation
10 of the feed mill plant.

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12 SEC. 3. The DA-BFAR shall develop an extension program which shall cater to marginal
13 fisherfolk to educate them on new methods and technology especially on the production of feeds
14 for aquaculture.

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16 SEC. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the
17 establishment of the aquaculture feed mill plant in Barangay Bahit, Municipality of Panay,
18 Province of Capiz, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations
19 Act. The LGUs concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount
20 deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the feed mill plant.

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22 SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the passage of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture
23 shall issue the rules and regulations on the establishment, supervision, operation, monitoring, and
24 the eventual transfer of the management of the feed mill plant to the local governments concerned.

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

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