



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5515

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BY REPRESENTATIVES MADRONA AND TAMBUNTING

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**AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING THE BATTLE OF THE SIBUYAN SEA MEMORIAL SHRINE IN  
THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAJIDIOCAN, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON, AND  
DECLARING IT A TOURISM DESTINATION**

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

1           **SECTION 1.** The Battle of the Sibuyan Sea Memorial Shrine is hereby established in  
2 the Municipality of Cajidiocan, Province of Romblon, and declared a tourism destination. As  
3 such, its development as a tourism destination shall be prioritized and supported by the  
4 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development  
5 of tourism destinations.

6           **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the municipal government  
7 of Cajidiocan shall, in coordination with the DOT, National Historical Commission of the  
8 Philippines and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan  
9 that shall include the establishment of the Battle of the Sibuyan Sea Memorial Shrine and the  
10 construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and facilities to  
11 enhance tourism in the area: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the  
12 preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the area: *Provided, further*,

1 That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be included in the budget of  
2 the municipal government of Cajidiocan.

3 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the municipal government of Cajidiocan in the  
4 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism  
5 capacity building. It shall also include the Battle of the Sibuyan Sea Memorial Shrine in its  
6 national and regional promotion programs.

7 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual  
8 budget of the municipal government of Cajidiocan. The DOT may augment such allocation  
9 with internally-generated funds.

10 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the municipal  
11 government of Cajidiocan shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the  
12 government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

13 **SEC. 6.** If any provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the  
14 other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

15 **SEC. 7.** All laws, rules, regulations, presidential decrees and other issuances  
16 inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or amended  
17 accordingly.

18 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*  
19 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,