



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6932

BY REPRESENTATIVE VARGAS, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 286

AN ACT
DECLARING LA MESA DAM ECOPARK, LOCATED IN BARANGAY FAIRVIEW,
QUEZON CITY, A TOURISM DESTINATION

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The La Mesa Dam Ecopark located in Barangay Fairview, Quezon
2 City, is hereby declared a tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, its development shall be
3 prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and
4 regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

5 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the local government of
6 Quezon City shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural
7 Resources and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan
8 that shall include the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate
9 infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in the area: *Provided*, That said development
10 plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the
11 area: *Provided, further*, That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be
12 included in the budget of the local government of Quezon City.

1 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the local government of Quezon City in the
2 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
3 capacity building. It shall also include the La Mesa Dam Ecopark in its national and regional
4 promotion programs.

5 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
6 budget of the local government of Quezon City. The DOT may augment such allocation with
7 internally-generated funds.

8 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the local government
9 of Quezon City shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the
10 government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

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

13 **SEC. 7.** All laws, rules, regulations, proclamations, executive orders, proclamations
14 and other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed
15 repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,