



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7549

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BY REPRESENTATIVES RODRIGUEZ (R.), SUAN AND ALBA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 427

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AN ACT  
DECLARING SINULOM FALLS AND BULAO COLD SPRING, LOCATED IN  
BARANGAY SAN ISIDRO, MUNICIPALITY OF TALAKAG, PROVINCE OF  
BUKIDNON, AS ECOTOURISM DESTINATION

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

- 1           **SECTION 1.** The Sinulom Falls and Bulao Cold Spring, located in Barangay San Isidro,  
2 Municipality of Talakag, Province of Bukidnon, are hereby declared as ecotourism  
3 destination. Pursuant thereto, their development shall be prioritized and supported by the  
4 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of  
5 ecotourism destinations.
- 6           **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the municipal government of  
7 Talakag shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural  
8 Resources and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan that  
9 shall include the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and  
10 facilities to enhance tourism in the area: *Provided, That said development plan shall ensure the*

1 preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the area: *Provided, further,*  
2 That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be included in the budget of the  
3 municipal government of Talakag.

4 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the municipal government of Talakag in the  
5 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism  
6 capacity building. It shall also include the Sinulom Falls and Bulao Cold Spring in its national and  
7 regional promotion programs.

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

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

14 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, proclamations, presidential decrees  
15 and other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed  
16 or amended accordingly.

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

Approved,