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HOUSE BILL NO. 3138

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE ISAGANI S. AMATONG
3rd District, Zamboanga del Norte

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill is a faithful reproduction of HB No. 4381 originally introduced by then Congressman Angel M. Carloto of the 3rd District of Zamboanga del Norte during the Twelfth Congress, First Regular Session.

The bill provides for the reservation of three contiguous lots, specifically Lot No. 247, Lot No. 248, and Lot No. 948, with a total land area of 23 hectares, more or less, located in Barangay Kipit, Municipality of Labason, Province of Zamboanga del Norte, as school site of the Kipit Agro-Fishery High School (KAFHS).

These lots were identified in the cadastral survey of Labason, Province of Zamboanga del Norte. However, a certification issued by the Administrator of the Land Registration Authority on 23 November 1993, declared the said lots, though among those subject of Cad. Case No. N-8, LRC, Cad. Record No. N-299, and previously decided by the Court of First Instance of Zamboanga del Norte, are subject of an annotation quoted as follows: "Public forest excluded portion of N-299.”

Despite its classification as public forest, the condition of the lots since 1992, especially considering their surrounding private agricultural lands, is appropriate for development as agricultural land, which was the basis for its selection as site of the Kipit Agro-Fishery High School.

Thus, the bill seeks to legitimatize the exclusive occupation by the KAFHS of these lots. Pursuant to Republic Act 7137, which created the school, permanent education-related facilities are already in place under the control and supervision of the Department of Education. Twenty-nine years after the school was established, the site today has fully develop in terms of
population and infrastructure and non-infrastructure, consistent with the development plan prepared for KAPHS which includes the construction of housing facilities for its students, faculty, and staff, and allocation of sufficient areas for reforestation.

The reclassification by Congress of the subject lots from forestland into agricultural land is necessary in view of the consistent policy that government projects would only be implemented in areas which have unequivocal title or claim of ownership of the site.

Foregoing premises considered, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
DECLARING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN,
SPECIFICALLY LOTS NUMBERED 247, 248 AND 948, PLS-6, N-299,
LOCATE IN BARANGAY KIPIT, MUNICIPALITY OF LABASON, PROVINCE
OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE, AS AGRICULTURAL LAND RESERVED
FOR SCHOOL SITE OF THE KIPIT AGRO-FISHERY HIGH SCHOOL AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Certain portions of the public domain, specifically Lot Number 247, Lot Number 248, and Lot Number 948, of the Cadastral Survey of Labason, Province of Zamboanga del Norte, Cad Case No. N-8, LRC Cad Record No. N-299, located in Barangay Kipit, Municipality of Labason, Province of Zamboanga del Norte, are hereby declared as agricultural land reserved for school site of the Kipit Agro-Fishery High School.

SECTION 2. The boundaries of the lands identified in this Act are as follows:

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thence N. 75°25' W. 152.15 meters to point 9;
thence N. 19°36' E. 236.11 meters to point 10;
thence N. 20°12' E. 41.60 meters to the point

of beginning, containing an area of One Hundred Forty-Five thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty Eight (145,758) square meters more or less.

Lot Numbered 248

From monument S. 81°38' W. 3,831.00 meters to point 1.
Beginning at point 1 N. 21°02' E. 140.57 meters to point 2;
thence N. 21°32' E. 125.81 meters to point 3;
thence S. 78°37' E. 207.04 meters to point 4;
thence S. 20°19' W. 41.60 meters to point 5;
thence S. 19°38' W. 236.11 meters to point 6;
thence N. 74°45' W. 212.52 meters to the point of beginning, containing an area of Fifty-Six Thousand Four Hundred One (56,401) square meters more or less; and

Lot Numbered 948

From monument S. 81°33' W. 3,831.00 meters to point 1.
Beginning at point 1 S. 74°45' W. 212.52 meters to point 2;
thence S. 75°25' E. 152.15 meters to point 3;
thence S. 19°14' W. 86.05 meters to point 4;
thence S. 20°36' W. 30.32 meters to point 5;
thence N. 63°60' W. 411.33 meters to point 6;
thence N. 11°47' E. 34.87 meters to point 7;
thence S. 73°52' E. 49.69 meters to the point beginning, containing an area of Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Five (30,635) square meters, more or less.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall issue the implementing rules and regulations necessary for the titling of these lots to the Kibit Agro-Fishery High School through the Department of Education.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,