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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 444

Submitted by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations on 10 OCT 2017
Re : House Bill No. **6587**
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1020
Sponsors : Reps. Lucy Torres-Gomez, Karlo Alexei B. Nograles and Leopoldo N. Bataoil

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 1020, introduced by Rep. Leopoldo N. Bataoil, entitled:


AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF "LINGAYEN GULF MARINE ECO-TOURISM PARK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.


have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. **6587**, entitled:

AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF LINGAYEN GULF MARINE ECOTOURISM PARK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

be approve in substitution of House Bill No. 1020 with Rep. Leopoldo N. Bataoil and Rep. Karlo Alexei B. Nograles as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


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Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations


REP. LUCY TORRES-GOMEZ
Chairperson
Committee on Tourism

THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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HOUSE BILL NO. 6587

Introduced by Representatives Leopoldo N. Bataoil and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles

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ECOTOURISM PARK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF
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Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as the “Lingayen Gulf Marine Ecotourism
2 Park Act”.

3 Sec. 2. It shall be the declared policy of the State to promote and protect the right of
4 the people to a healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature that shall
5 encourage the development of marine ecotourism in the country, to attract local and foreign
6 tourists to secure the country’s share in the world tourism market and to make it an avenue
7 for the generation of employment while ensuring environmental protection, conservation and
8 preservation of the natural resources and ensuring public safety.

9 Sec. 3. There shall be established a marine ecotourism park in the Municipality of
10 Lingayen, Province of Pangasinan, to be known as the Lingayen Gulf Marine Ecotourism
11 Park. This shall be under the supervision of the Department of Tourism (DOT), in
12 coordination with the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of
13 Agriculture (BFAR-DA), the Provincial Government of Pangasinan and the Municipal
14 Government of Lingayen. The Lingayen Marine Ecotourism Park shall be located at the
15 Capitol Beach Front, adjacent to the Lingayen Baywalk along the coast of the historic
16 Lingayen Gulf.

17 Sec. 4. For the purpose of this Act, a Marine Ecotourism Park Governing Board is
18 hereby created, to be known as the Lingayen Gulf Marine EcoTourism Park Board. It shall
19 be composed of the following:

20 (a) The Governor of the Province of Pangasinan, as Chairperson

21 (b) The Representative of the Second District of the Province of Pangasinan, as Co-
22 Chairperson

23 (c) The DOT Regional Director for Region 1, as member

24 (d) The DA Regional Executive Director for Region 1, as member

25 (e) The Mayor of the Municipality of Lingayen, as member

26 (f) One representative from the business sector, as member, and

27 (g) One representative from the private sector, as member.

28 Sec. 5. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program the
29 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
30 Appropriations Act and from internally-generated funds of the DOT.

31 Sec. 6. Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the
32 DOT, in coordination with the Director of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources-
33 Region 1 of the DA and concerned local government units shall issue the necessary rules and
34 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

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

37 Approved,

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