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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 542

Submitted by the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations on **12 DEC 2017**
Re : House Bill No. **6800**
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2734
Sponsors : Representatives Lucy Torres-Gomez, Karlo Alexei B. Nograles and Eric D. Singson

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 2734, introduced by Representative Eric D. Singson, entitled:


AN ACT
DECLARING PINSAL FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA,
PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR AS A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR
ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR


have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. **6800**, entitled:

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be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 2734 with Representatives Eric D. Singson and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


REP. KARLO ALEXEI B. NOGRALES
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations


REP. LUCY TORRES-GOMEZ
Chairperson
Committee on Tourism

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Pinsal Falls in the Municipality of Santa Maria, Province of
2 Ilocos Sur, is hereby declared a tourist destination. As such, its development shall be
3 prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and shall be subject to the rules and
4 regulations governing the development of tourist destinations.

5 **Sec. 2.** The DOT, in coordination with the concerned local government units and
6 agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving the
7 construction, installation and maintenance of appropriate infrastructure and facilities that
8 shall encourage tourism in the area : *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the
9 preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the area.

10 **Sec. 3.** The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the development plan
11 that will suit the natural characteristics of Pinsal Falls, and shall incorporate the same in its

1 tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year. It shall also include Pinal
2 Falls in all its national , regional and local promotion programs.

3 **Sec. 4.** The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program the
4 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
5 Appropriations Act and from internally generated funds of the DOT.

6 **Sec. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the
7 DOT shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation
8 of this Act.

9 **Sec. 6.** All laws, rules, regulation, proclamations, executive orders or parts therefor
10 inconsistent with this Act, are hereby amended accordingly.

11 **Sec. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
12 Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

13 *Approved,*

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