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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 501

Submitted by the Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations on SEP 17 2020.

Re: House Bill No. 7691

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5499

Sponsors: Reps. Leo Rafael M. Cueva and Eric Go Yap

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 5499, introduced by Rep. Alan 1 B. Ecleo, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERIES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASILISA, IN THE LONE DISTRICT OF DINAGAT ISLANDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 7691, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASILISA, PROVINCE OF DINAGAT ISLANDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 5499 with Rep. Alan 1 B. Ecleo as author thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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House Bill No. 7691

Introduced by Rep. Alan 1 B. Ecleo

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASILISA, PROVINCE OF DINAGAT ISLANDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), a multi-species marine hatchery in the Municipality of Basilisa, Province of Dinagat Islands.

SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall transfer the management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local government of Basilisa, within two (2) years after its construction through a memorandum of agreement. The BFAR-DA shall implement a training and phasing-in program for the personnel of the local government unit concerned on the management and operation of the multi-species marine hatchery.

The BFAR-DA shall conduct continuing research and experimentation on the breeding and production of marine species, especially as they apply to local conditions, to discover new methods and technology that shall benefit the fisheries industry.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department’s programs the establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in the Municipality of Basilisa, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local government unit concerned shall set aside funds from any available revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.

Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and the eventual transfer of the management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local government of Basilisa.

Sec. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,