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Quezon City, Metro Manila  

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HOUSE BILL NO. 7732  

 Introduced by the Rep. Deogracias Victor “DV” B. Savellano  

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AN ACT  

ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF  
STA. CATALINA, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS SUR, 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 Sta. Catalina, Province of Ilocos Sur.  

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

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department’s program the  
establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in the Municipality of Sta. Catalina, Province of  
Ilocos Sur, 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 local revenue in an  
amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.  

Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the passage of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture  
shall issue, the rules and regulations on the supervision and monitoring, and the transfer or  
withdrawal by the BFAR, of the multi-species marine hatchery.  

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,  

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