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BY REPRESENTATIVE TAN (A.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 61

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUMACA, PROVINCE OF QUEZON 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 Gumaca,
Province of Quezon.

5 SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall, within two (2) years after the 6 construction of the multi-species marine hatchery, transfer the management of 7 the same to the local government unit concerned through a memorandum of 8 agreement. It shall implement a training and phasing-in program for local 9 government personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.

10 SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's 11 programs the establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in the 12 Municipality of Gumaca, Province of Quezon, the funding of which shall be 13 included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local government unit 14 concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount 15 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, monitoring, transfer, or withdrawal by the BFAR of the
multi-species marine hatchery.

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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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