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BY REPRESENTATIVES HOFER, BARZAGA AND YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 949

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**“AN ACT  
DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE  
MUNICIPALITIES OF NAGA AND KABASALAN IN THE PROVINCE  
OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE  
CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL  
INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE  
REFERRED TO AS THE NAGA-KABASALAN PROTECTED  
LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”**

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

**ARTICLE I**

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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3       **SECTION 1. *Title.*** – This Act shall be known as the “Naga-Kabasalan  
4 Protected Landscape Act”.

5       **SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.*** – Cognizant of the profound impact of  
6 human activities on all components of the natural environment, it is hereby  
7 declared the policy of the State to secure for the Filipino people of present and  
8 future generations, the perpetual existence of all native plants and animals  
9 through the declaration of protected areas under the National Integrated  
10 Protected Areas System (NIPAS) within the classification of national park as  
11 provided for in the Constitution.

12       In recognition of the richness of the biological resources, both flora and  
13 fauna, that are native and distinct to Naga and Kabasalan, as well as their

1 aesthetic and ecological importance, a parcel of land located in the Municipalities  
2 of Naga and Kabasalan, in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, and covering the  
3 Tipan and Busyawan Watersheds, is hereby declared a protected area with the  
4 category of protected landscape, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the Naga-  
5 Kabasalan Protected Landscape (NKPL). As such, the State shall ensure the  
6 conservation, protection, management and rehabilitation of the area. It is likewise  
7 recognized that effective administration of this area is possible only through  
8 cooperation among national government, local government units (LGUs),  
9 concerned nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), private entities and local  
10 communities. The use and enjoyment of this area must be consistent with the  
11 principles of biological diversity and sustainable development.

12 Towards this end, the State shall ensure the full implementation of this Act,  
13 the mobilization of resources for the institutional mechanisms herein established,  
14 and the full scientific and technical support needed for the conservation of  
15 biodiversity and the integrity of the ecosystems, culture and indigenous practices.

16 **SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.*** – As used in this Act:

- 17 a. *Buffer zones* refer to identified areas outside the boundaries of and  
18 immediately adjacent to designated protected areas that need special  
19 development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the protected  
20 area;
- 21 b. *Conservation* refers to any act or acts of preservation and sustainable  
22 utilization of wildlife or maintenance, restoration and enhancement of  
23 habitats;
- 24 c. *Indigenous cultural communities (ICCs)/Indigenous peoples (IPs)* refer to  
25 groups of people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions,  
26 and other distinctive cultural traits, and who have, since time immemorial  
27 occupied, possessed and utilized a territory;
- 28 d. *National park* refers to land of the public domain classified as such in the  
29 Constitution which includes all areas under the NIPAS, primarily  
30 designated for the conservation of native plants and animals, their  
31 associated habitats and cultural diversity;
- 32 e. *Protected area* refers to an identified portion of land and water set aside by

1 reason of its unique physical and biological significance, managed to  
2 enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human  
3 exploitation;

4 f. *Protected landscape* refers to an area [~~where the interaction of people and~~  
5 ~~nature over a period of time has produced an area of distinct character with~~  
6 ~~significant ecological, biological, cultural and scenic value and where the~~  
7 ~~safeguarding of the integrity of this interaction is vital to protecting and~~  
8 ~~sustaining the area and its associated nature conservation and other values]~~  
9 OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE WHICH ARE CHARACTERIZED BY THE  
10 HARMONIOUS INTERACTION OF HUMAN AND LAND AND WATER WHILE  
11 PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC ENJOYMENT THROUGH  
12 RECREATION, TOURISM, AND OTHER ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES; and

13 g. *Tenured migrants* refer to protected area occupants who have been actually,  
14 continuously and presently occupying a portion of the protected area for five  
15 (5) years before the proclamation or law establishing the same as a  
16 protected area, and are solely dependent therein for subsistence;

17 **SEC. 4. Classification as a National Park.** – The NKPL is comprised of a  
18 parcel of land of the public domain located in the Municipalities of Naga and  
19 Kabasalan in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, and covering the Tipan and  
20 Busyawan Watersheds. All lands of the public domain within the coverage and  
21 scope of the NKPL shall fall under the classification of national park as provided  
22 for in Article XII, Section 3 of the Constitution.

23 **SEC. 5. Scope and Coverage.** – [~~The boundaries of the NKPL are more~~  
24 ~~particularly described as the area beginning at a point marked “1” on plan, which~~  
25 ~~is N 22° 10’ 10” E, 4,975.084 meters from PRS92 “ZSI 34” with geographic~~  
26 ~~coordinates of 07° 50’ 35.33894” Latitude and 122° 43’ 4.49351” Longitude located~~  
27 ~~at Barangay Santa Clara, Municipality of Naga, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay,~~

28 ~~thence — N 15°41’15” W — 1027.743 — meters to corner 2;~~

29 ~~thence — N 35°28’06” W — 1676.499 — meters to corner 3;~~

30 ~~thence — N 35°55’27” E — 517.062 — meters to corner 4;~~

31 ~~thence — N 35°29’46” W — 314.195 — meters to corner 5;~~

32 ~~thence — N 35°48’59” E — 764.172 — meters to corner 6;~~

1           thence           N 16°05'20" E           715.774           meters to corner 7;  
2           thence           N 81°29'35" W           996.21           meters to corner 8;  
3           thence           N 35°52'08" W           722.914           meters to corner 9;  
4           thence           N 09°35'25" E           849.187           meters to corner 10;  
5           thence           N 01°16'50" E           465.826           meters to corner 11;  
6           thence           N 79°08'17" E           1327.033           meters to corner 12;  
7           thence           N 87°55'03" E           1158.644           meters to corner 13;  
8           thence           N 89°25'12" E           2080.079           meters to corner 14;  
9           thence           S 89°43'46" E           3566.308           meters to corner 15;  
10          thence           N 89°54'32" E           2648.389           meters to corner 16;  
11          thence           S 42°52'44" W           482.645           meters to corner 17;  
12          thence           S 12°02'07" W           848.104           meters to corner 18;  
13          thence           S 67°19'10" W           305.745           meters to corner 19;  
14          thence           S 59°44'37" W           233.975           meters to corner 20;  
15          thence           S 44°12'15" W           857.531           meters to corner 21;  
16          thence           S 44°36'46" W           881.287           meters to corner 22;  
17          thence           S 11°13'44" W           583.8           meters to corner 23;  
18          thence           S 48°46'07" W           498.278           meters to corner 24;  
19          thence           S 71°01'47" W           284.946           meters to corner 25;  
20          thence           S 30°12'12" W           326.413           meters to corner 26;  
21          thence           S 57°11'19" E           380.739           meters to corner 27;  
22          thence           S 02°45'33" W           349.875           meters to corner 28;  
23          thence           S 56°14'37" W           1007.79           meters to corner 29;  
24          thence           S 16°23'22" E           223.829           meters to corner 30;  
25          thence           S 35°17'36" W           918.23           meters to corner 31;  
26          thence           S 61°12'48" W           437.18           meters to corner 32;  
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29          thence           S 73°18'03" W           439.586           meters to corner 35;  
30          thence           S 83°43'03" W           461.714           meters to corner 36;  
31          thence           S 62°39'00" W           274.941           meters to corner 37;  
32          thence           S 81°27'17" W           386.877           meters to corner 38;

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 2           thence — S 62°21'14" W — 499.078 — meters to corner 40;  
 3           thence — N 58°17'06" W — 440.513 — meters to corner 41;  
 4           thence — N 58°41'45" W — 364.662 — meters to corner 42;  
 5           thence — N 41°38'01" W — 253.504 — meters to corner 43;  
 6           thence — N 33°10'43" W — 261.592 — meters to corner 44;  
 7           thence — N 65°05'43" W — 129.98 — meters to corner 45;  
 8           thence — N 52°01'42" W — 218.985 — meters to corner 46;  
 9           thence — N 50°05'32" W — 301.894 — meters to corner 47;  
 10          thence — N 39°39'24" W — 415.637 — meters to corner 1,  
 11 and comprises five thousand five hundred five and 45/100 (5,505.45) hectares,  
 12 more or less.]

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 14 DESCRIBED AS THE AREA BEGINNING AT A POINT MARKED "1" ON THE  
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33 THE POINT OF BEGINNING, COMPRISING AN AREA OF FIVE THOUSAND FIVE  
34 HUNDRED FIVE AND 45/100 (5,505.45) HECTARES, MORE OR LESS.

35 **SEC. 6. Establishment of Buffer Zones.** – The DENR Secretary, upon the

1 recommendation of the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) created under  
2 Section 7 of this Act, may designate areas surrounding the NKPL as buffer zones  
3 for the purpose of providing an extra layer of protection where restrictions may be  
4 applied: *Provided*, That, in cases where the designated buffer zone would cover  
5 private lands, the owners thereof shall be required to design their development  
6 with due consideration to the protected area management plan.

## 7 **ARTICLE II**

### 8 **MANAGEMENT MECHANISMS**

9 **SEC. 7. *Protected Area Management Board (PAMB)*** – Within ninety  
10 (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, a Protected Area Management Board  
11 (PAMB) shall be created to oversee the management of the NKPL. The PAMB  
12 shall be composed of the following:

- 13 a. DENR Regional Executive Director for Region IX, as Chairperson;
- 14 b. Governor of the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay or [æ] HIS/HER duly  
15 authorized representative;
- 16 c. Senators of the Republic of the Philippines who are duly registered  
17 residents of Zamboanga Sibugay, or duly designated representatives,  
18 unless the Senators decline the membership in the PAMB;
- 19 d. District Representative[s] of the Congressional District[s] where the  
20 NKPL is located, or [~~their~~] HIS/HER duly designated representative[s],  
21 unless the District Representative[s] decline the membership in the  
22 PAMB;
- 23 e. Mayors of the Municipalities of Naga and Kabasalan, in the Province of  
24 Zamboanga Sibugay or their duly authorized representatives;
- 25 f. Chairpersons of the all the *barangays* with territorial jurisdiction over the  
26 NKPL;
- 27 g. Regional Directors of the following government agencies, namely:  
28 Department of Agriculture (DA), National Economic and Development  
29 Authority (NEDA), Department of Science and Technology (DOST),  
30 Philippine National Police (PNP), [~~and~~] Department of National Defense  
31 (DND), AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM (DOT);
- 32 h. Three (3) representatives from either NGOs, or people’s organizations

1 (POs) based in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, duly accredited both  
2 by the DENR and the provincial government. The NGOs or POs  
3 represented should have been in existence for at least five (5) years and  
4 must have a record of accomplishments in the field of protected area  
5 management;

- 6 i. At least one (1) but not more than three (3) representatives from all the  
7 ICCs/IPs present in the area and recognized by the National  
8 Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP);
- 9 j. One (1) representative from an academic institution, preferably from a  
10 university or college in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, with a  
11 record of accomplishments in or related to protected area management;  
12 and
- 13 k. One (1) representative from the private sector, preferably a resident of  
14 the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, who is distinguished in a profession  
15 or field of interest relevant to the protected area management.

16 The terms of office of members of the PAMB, as well as the grounds for their  
17 removal shall be in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586,  
18 otherwise known as the “National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992”  
19 as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, otherwise known as the “Expanded  
20 National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 2018”.

21 **SEC. 8. *POWERS AND Functions of the PAMB.*** – The PAMB shall have the  
22 following powers and functions:

- 23 a. Oversee the management of the protected area;
- 24 b. Approve policies, plans and programs, proposals, agreements, and other  
25 related documents for the management of the protected areas;
- 26 c. Approve the management plan of the protected area and ensure its  
27 harmonization with and integration into the Ancestral Domain Sustainable  
28 Development and Protection Plan, land use plan and other development  
29 plans, public or private, and their implementation;
- 30 d. Adopt a manual of operations to include rules of procedures in the conduct of  
31 business, and the creation of committees and their respective terms of  
32 reference;



- 1 e. Recommend the deputation of appropriate agencies and individuals for the  
2 enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations governing the management  
3 of the protected area;
- 4 f. Allocate financial resources for the implementation of the management plan  
5 and manage the Protected Area Retention Income Account and other funds  
6 in accordance with government accounting, budgeting, and auditing rules  
7 and regulations;
- 8 g. Set fees and charges in accordance with existing guidelines;
- 9 h. Issue rules and regulations for the resolution of conflicts through  
10 appropriate and effective means;
- 11 i. Recommend appropriate policy changes to the DENR and other government  
12 authorities with respect to the management of the NKPL;
- 13 j. Monitor and assess the performance of the Protected Area Superintendent  
14 (PASu) and other protected area personnel and compliance of partners with  
15 the terms and conditions of any undertaking, contract or agreement relative  
16 to any project or activity within the NKPL;
- 17 k. Recommend from among a shortlist of qualified candidates, the designation  
18 or appointment of the PASu; and
- 19 l. Assess the effectiveness of the management of the protected area: *Provided,*  
20 That the members of the PAMB representing the LGUs and national  
21 agencies shall inform their respective constituents, offices or sectors, of  
22 PAMB-approved or other relevant policies, rules, regulations, programs,  
23 and projects and shall ensure that the provisions of this Act and the rules  
24 and regulations issued to implement it are complied with and used as  
25 reference and framework in their respective plans, policies, programs, and  
26 projects. Failure to comply with the foregoing shall be the basis for  
27 disciplinary action against such member according to administrative rules  
28 and regulations and such penalties as the PAMB may provide: *Provided,*  
29 *further,* That the DENR, through the Regional Director, shall ensure that  
30 the PAMB acts within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of  
31 conflict between the resolutions issued by the PAMB and the existing  
32 administrative orders of national application, the latter shall prevail.

1           **SEC. 9. *The Protected Area Management Office (PAMO).*** — There is  
2 hereby established a Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) to be headed by  
3 a Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) who shall supervise the day to day  
4 management, protection, and administration of the NKPL. The PASu shall hold  
5 a permanent plantilla position and shall be appointed by the DENR Secretary. A  
6 sufficient number of support staff with permanent plantilla positions shall  
7 likewise be appointed by the DENR Secretary to assist the PASu in the  
8 management of the protected area.

9           The PASu shall be primarily accountable to the PAMB and the DENR for  
10 the management and operations of the NKPL. Pursuant thereto, the PASu shall  
11 have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 12       a. Prepare the management plan, in consultation with the stakeholders,  
13       including the annual work and financial plan and ensure its  
14       implementation;
- 15       b. Ensure the integration of the protected area management plans, programs,  
16       projects, and policies with relevant national and LGUs' plans and programs;
- 17       c. Provide secretariat services to the PAMB and its committees and ensure the  
18       availability of relevant and timely information for decision-making;
- 19       d. Formulate and recommend to the PAMB proposed policies, rules,  
20       regulations, and programs;
- 21       e. Establish, operate, and maintain a database management system which  
22       shall be an important basis for decision-making;
- 23       f. Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the protected area,  
24       commence and institute administrative and legal actions in collaboration  
25       with other government agencies or organizations, and assist in the  
26       prosecution of offenses committed in violation of the provisions of this Act;
- 27       g. Monitor, evaluate, and report the implementation of management activities  
28       of the protected area;
- 29       h. Request for and receive any technical assistance, support or advice from any  
30       agency or instrumentality of the government as well as academic  
31       institutions, NGOs, and the private sector, as may be necessary for the  
32       effective management, protection and administration of the protected area;

- 1 i. Issue permits and clearances for activities that implement the management  
2 plan and other permitted activities in accordance with terms, conditions,  
3 and criteria established by the PAMB: *Provided*, That all permits for  
4 extraction of natural resources, including collection of wildlife, and its by-  
5 products or derivatives for research purposes, shall continue to be issued by  
6 relevant authorities, subject to prior clearance from the PAMB, through the  
7 PASu, in accordance with the specific acts to be covered;
- 8 j. Collect and receive pertinent fees, charges, donations, and other income for  
9 the protected area: *Provided*, That such fees, charges, donations, and other  
10 income collected and received shall be reported regularly to the PAMB and  
11 the DENR in accordance with existing guidelines;
- 12 k. Prepare and recommend to the PAMB, approval of the annual work and  
13 financial plans of the protected area based on the management plan; and
- 14 l. Perform such other functions as the PAMB and the DENR may assign.

15 The PAMO may be augmented by the deputized local environment and  
16 natural resources officers upon the recommendation of the PAMB and approval of  
17 the DENR.

### 18 ARTICLE III

#### 19 PROCEEDS AND FEES

20 **SEC. 10. *The Naga-Kabasalan Protected Landscape INTEGRATED***  
21 ***PROTECTED AREA Fund.*** – There is hereby established a trust fund to be known  
22 as the Naga-Kabasalan Protected Landscape INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA Fund  
23 (NKPL-IPAF) for purposes of financing projects of the NKPL and the NIPAS. All  
24 income generated from the operation and management of wild flora and fauna in  
25 the NKPL shall accrue to the ~~[fund]~~ NKPL-IPAF. The income shall be derived from  
26 fees from permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the  
27 NKPL proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from industries and  
28 facilities directly benefiting from the NKPL, and such other fees and income  
29 derived from the operation of the NKPL.

30 The PAMB shall retain seventy-five percent (75%) of all revenues raised  
31 through the above means, which shall be deposited in the Protected Area-Retained

1 Income Account (PA-RIA) in any authorized government depository bank within  
2 the locality: *Provided*, That disbursements out of such deposits shall be used solely  
3 for the protection, maintenance, administration, and management of the protected  
4 area and implementation of duly approved projects of the PAMB. The remaining  
5 twenty-five percent (25%) of revenues shall be deposited as a special account in  
6 the general fund in the National Treasury for purposes of financing the projects of  
7 the NIPAS.

8 The fund may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from various  
9 sources, domestic or foreign: *Provided*, That the fund shall be deposited in full as  
10 a special account in the National Treasury and disbursements therefrom shall be  
11 made solely for the protection, maintenance, administration and management of  
12 the NIPAS and duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in accordance with  
13 existing accounting, budgeting and auditing rules and regulations: *Provided*,  
14 *further*, That the fund shall not be used to cover personal services expenditures.

15 The LGUs shall continue to impose TAXES and collect all other fees not  
16 enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as FEES FOR  
17 business permit[s] APPLICATIONS, property [~~tax~~] TAXES and rental[s] FEES of  
18 LGUs' facilities.

#### 19 ARTICLE IV

#### 20 TRANSITORY AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

21 **SEC. 11. Appropriations.** – The Secretary of the DENR shall immediately  
22 include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding  
23 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

24 **SEC. 12. Suppletory Application of the NIPAS Law.** – The provisions  
25 of Republic Act No. 7586, as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, shall have  
26 suppletory application to this Act.

27 **SEC. 13. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – Within ninety (90) days  
28 from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DENR shall, in  
29 consultation with the local governments of the Municipalities of Naga and  
30 Kabasalan, the provincial government of Zamboanga Sibugay, and concerned  
31 national government agencies, issue the corresponding rules and regulations for  
32 the effective implementation of this Act.

1           **SEC. 14. *Separability Clause.*** – If any section or provision of this Act is  
2 held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining sections or provisions [~~with the~~  
3 ~~provisions~~] not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

4           **SEC. 15. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules  
5 and regulations, issuance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this  
6 Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

7           **SEC. 16. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
8 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

9           *Approved,*