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# COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 544

Submitted by the Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform joint with the Committee on Finance on <a href="JAN 2 6 2022">JAN 2 6 2022</a>.

Re: H. B. No. 7691

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 7691 without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Cynthia A. Villar

# **MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform joint with the Committee on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 7691, introduced by Representative Ecleo, entitled:

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

have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved without amendment.

# Respectfully submitted:

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#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7691

By Representative Ecleo, per Committee Report No. 501

### 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 I. 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,