NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

Second Regular Session

.: ' = ,	Office of the Same	
(), g	Soffice of the \$ 100	

24 FEB 19 P6:07

SENATE

COMMITTEE REPORT NO	193	RECEIVED 8%	70'
---------------------	-----	-------------	-----

)

Submitted Jointly by the Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform and the Committees on Finance; and Ways and Means on FEB 1 9 2024

2558 (Prepared by the Committees) Re: Senate Bill No. ____

Recommending its approval in substitution of S. Nos. 119, 792, 972, and 999.

Sponsor: Senator Cynthia A. Villar

Mr. President:

The Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform and the Committees on Finance; and Ways and Means to which were primarily and secondarily referred Senate Bill No. 119, introduced by Senator Villar, C. A. entitled:

"AN ACT TO DEVELOP, PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY INDUSTRIES AND THEIR VALUE CHAIN, TO PROVIDE FOR A LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY COMPETITIVENESS

ENHANCEMENT FUND, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Senate Bill No. 792, introduced by Sen. Estrada, entitled:

"AN ACT

TO RESTRUCTURE AND RATIONALIZE THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN ITS DEVELOPMENT, PROTECTION AND REGULATORY FUNCTIONS, INCLUDING THE PROMOTION OF DAIRY AND NATIVE ANIMALS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR A LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT FUND, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Senate Bill No. 972, introduced by Sen. Lapid, entitled:

"AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A DIAGNOSTIC LABORATORY FOR LIVESTOCK-RELATED DISEASES IN EVERY PROVINCE WHERE THE LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY IS A MAJOR ECONOMIC ACTIVITY, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Senate Bill No. 999, introduced by Sen. Angara, entitled:

"AN ACT

PROMOTING THE SCIENTIFIC PROPAGATION, PROCESSING, UTILIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF PHILIPPINE NATIVE ANIMALS, HEREBY CREATING THE PHILIPPINE NATIVE ANIMAL DEVELOPMENT CENTER"

have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached bill, S. No. 2558, prepared by the Committees, entitled:

"AN ACT

STRENGTHENING LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS, RATIONALIZING THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND CREATING A COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of S. Nos. 119, 792, 972, and 999, with Senators Cynthia A. Villar, Jinggoy Ejercito Estrada, Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid and Sonny Angara as authors thereof.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

SONNY ANGARA

Chairperson, Committee on Finance *Vice Chairperson,* Committee on Ways and Means

CYNŤHIA A. VILLAR

Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform

Vice Chairperson, Committee on Finance

WIN GATCHALIAN

Chairperson, Committee on Ways and Means

Vice Chairperson, Committee on

Finance

Member, Committee on

Agriculture, Food and Agrarian

Reform

Senior Vice Chairpersons

IMEE R. MARCOS

Ama h. Marca

Committee on Finance Vice Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform

Member, Committee on Ways and Means

PIA S. CAYETANO

Committee on Finance Member, Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Ways and Means

LOREN LEGARDA

Committee on Finance

Vice Chairpersons

RONALD "BATO" DELA ROSA

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance Member, Committee on Ways and Means

FRANCIS "TOL" N. TOLENTINO

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance Member, Committee on Ways and Means

202

GRACE POE

Committee on Finance Member, Committee on Ways and Means

MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY

Committee on Finance; Member, Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Ways and Means

JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO

Committee on Finance Committees Member, Reform; Ways and Means

CHRISTOPHER BONG GO

Committee on Finance on Member, Committees on Agriculture, Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Food and Agrarian Reform; Ways and Means

MARK VILLAR

Committee on Finance Member, Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Ways and Means

Committee on Finance Member, Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Ways and

Means

may interpollate & propose amendments.

JINGGOY EJERCITO ESTRADA

Committee on Finance

Member, Committee on Agriculture,

Food and Agrarian Reform

Members

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance;

Ways and Means

FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance; Ways and

Means

RAFFY T. TULFO

Committees on Agriculture, Food

and Agrarian Reform; Finance;

Ways and Means

PETER "COMPAÑERO" ALAN S. **CAYETANO**

Committee on Finance

RÓBINHOQÓ C. PADILLA

and Agrarian Reform; Finance

RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.

Committees on Agriculture, Food Committees on Agriculture, Food and

Agrarian Reform; Finance

Ex-Officio Members

LOREN LEGARDA

President Pro-tempore

"will interpellate"

AQUILINO'"KOKO" PIMEN

Minority Leader

HON. JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F. ZUBIRI

President

Senate of the Philippines

Members

MANUEL "LITO" M. LAPID

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance; Ways and Means

FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance; Ways and Means

RAFFY T. TULFO

Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance; Ways and Means

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. **CAYETANO**

Committee on Finance

ROBINHOOD C. PADILLA

and Agrarian Reform; Finance

RAMON BONG REVILLA JR.

Committees on Agriculture, Food Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance

Ex-Officio Members

LOREN LEGARDA

President Pro-tempore

JOEL VILLANUEVA Majority Leader

AQUILINO "KOKO" PIMENTEL III

Minority Leader

HON. JUAN MIGUEL "MIGZ" F. ZUBIRI

President Senate of the Philippines NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE REPUBLIC
OF THE PHILIPPINES
Second Regular Session

SPINE Of the state of the state

24 FEB 19, P6:08/

SENATE

Senate Bill No. 2558

ECEIVED BY:

(In substitution of Senate Bill Nos. 119, 792, 972 and 999)

Prepared by the Committees on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform; Finance; Ways and Means with Senators Cynthia A. Villar, Jinggoy E. Estrada, Manuel "Lito" M. Lapid, and Sonny Angara as authors thereof.

AN ACT

STRENGTHENING LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETITIVENESS, RATIONALIZING THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF RELEVANT GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, AND CREATING A COMPETITIVENESS ENHANCEMENT FUND THEREFOR

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

1 TITLE I 2 PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS 3 SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the "Livestock, Poultry, 4 and Dairy (LPD) Industry Development and Competitiveness Act". 5 SEC. 2. **Declaration of Policies.** – It is hereby the declared policy of the State 6 to advance the development and competitiveness of the livestock, poultry, and dairy 7 (LPD) industries, particularly the small-holder farmers, consistent with the 8 . constitutional mandate to promote the equitable distribution of opportunities, income, 9 and wealth; a sustained increase in the number of goods and services produced by 10 the nation for the benefit of the people; expanding productivity as the key to raising 11 the quality of life for all; industrialization and full employment based on sound 12 agricultural development.

Towards this end, the State shall strengthen existing government organizational structures serving these industries and establish responsive government policies and programs that aim to foster the comprehensive development of the LPD industries' value chain, raise the cost-effectiveness of regulations on animal disease prevention and control; and ensure enforcement of food safety and quality standards on produce and processed products with least disruption on trade and their value chains.

The State shall be committed to providing necessary support and incentives to build stronger partnerships and cooperation with the private sector in recognition of their vital role in achieving the objectives of this Act.

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

- a) *Corn* refers to yellow corn, white corn, and other corn varieties which shall be utilized as animal feed in the country;
- b) Feeds refers to animal food for livestock, poultry and dairy producing animals which includes, but not limited to, yellow and other corn varieties, forages, and feed wheats;
- c) First Border Inspection Facility (FBIF) refers to a facility under the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture (DA) wherein examiners and inspectors from the Bureau of Animal and Poultry Inspection and Regulation (BAPIR), the Bureau of Customs (BOC), and other essential agencies conduct inspection to check the quality and quantity of all arriving imports of livestock, poultry, and dairy animals, animal products, by-products, and veterinary drugs and products, based on the submitted documents or permits of the importer;
- d) Fresh Milk refers to milk produced by local dairy farms. It is a product of normal mammary secretion obtained by the complete milking of one or more healthy cows/goats/water buffaloes, free from colostrum, without either addition to it, or extraction from it, has undergone heat processing, intended for consumption as liquid milk or further processing. The words "fresh milk" shall be attached to a product only if it was produced and obtained in accordance with this definition;

- 1 e) Livestock refers to any domestic or domesticated animal that is grown, 2 kept or raised in captivity for food or in the production of food or other 3 by-products, and for other purposes, which includes all domestic animais 4 that are slaughtered for human consumption, maintained for draft animai 5 power, dairy, and for recreational purposes such as, but not limited to, 6 cattie, carabaos or water buffaloes, horses, sheep, goats, hogs, deer, and 7 rabbits except products of hunting or fishing of wild animals; 8 f) Native Animals refer to domesticated animals that contribute to food 9
 - f) Native Animals refer to domesticated animals that contribute to food production found in one geographical location that have developed unique physical characteristics, behavior, and product attributes, adapted to the local environment and are products of selection with no infusion of exotic breeds including, but not limited to, native chicken, goats, pigs, ducks, cattle, horses, carabaos or water buffaloes;
 - g) Poultry refers to birds raised commercially or domestically for meat, eggs and feathers such as, but not limited to, chickens, ducks, turkey, geese, quails, and ostrich. It is a collective term which refers to all domesticated avian reared in captivity mainly for agricultural purposes or for the production of food or other by-products;
 - h) Small-hold farm refers to:

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

- Tending not more than 5 cow/water buffalo level (large ruminants: dairy and beef);
- 2) Tending not more than 35 does (small ruminants: dairy and slaughter);
- 3) Tending 1 to 10 sow level or 1 to 100 heads (swine, including native pig);
- 4) Raising 100 heads and below (rabbit);
- 5) Raising 500 birds and below (broiler);
- 6) Raising 250 birds and below (chicken: native/improved/free range);
- 7) Raising 250 layers and below (layer and duck); and
- 8) Raising 2,500 birds and below (quail).
- i) Semi-Commercial farm refers to:
 - 1) Tending 6 50 cow/water buffalo level (large ruminants: dairy and beef);

1		2) Tending 36- 100 does (small ruminants: dairy and slaughter);
2		3) Tending 11-50 sow level or 101 to 500 heads (swine, including native
3		pig);
4		4) Raising 101- 1,000 heads (rabbit);
5		5) Raising 501- 10,000 birds (broiler);
6		6) Raising 251- 5,000 birds (chicken: native/improved/free range);
7		7) Raising 251- 5,000 layers (layer and duck); and
8		8) Raising 2,501- 10,000 birds (quail).
9	j)	Commercial farm refers to:
10		1) Tending 51 cow/water buffalo level and above (large ruminants:
11		dairy and beef);
12		2) Tending more than 100 heads of does (small ruminants: dairy and
13		slaughter);
14		3) Tending 51 sow level and above or 501 heads and above (swine,
15		including native pig);
16		4) Raising 1,001 heads and above (rabbit);
17		5) Raising 10,001 birds and above (broiler);
18		6) Raising 5,001 birds and above (chicken: native/improved/free
19		range);
20		7) Raising 5,001 layers and above (layer and duck); and
21		8) Raising 10,001 birds and above (quail).
22	k)	Value Chain refers to the set of actors, activities and services that bring a
23		basic agricultural product from production in the field to final
24		consumption, where at each stage, value is added to the product;
25	l)	Veterinary Drugs and Products refer to any substance or device, including
26		biological products, applied or administered to animals for food production
27		and processing (such as for livestock and poultry), for companion, aquatic,
28		laboratory, and other exotic animals, whether used for therapeutic,
29		prophylactic, or diagnostic purposes or for modification of physiological
30		functions or behaviors; and
31	m)	Veterinary Drug and Product Establishment refers to any organization or
32		company involved in the manufacture, importation, exportation.

repacking, labeling, advertising and/or distribution of veterinary drugs and products.

TITLE II ROADMAP

- SEC. 4. *Philippine Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy (LPD) Value Chain Development Roadmap (Roadmap).* A Roadmap shall be formulated to set the strategic direction and key initiatives of concerned LPD agencies. It shall include, but not limited to, the following:
 - a) Breeder Availability and Genetic Improvement Program. The program shall endeavor to increase the total population of livestock and poultry in the country in terms of quantity and quality through support programs for genetic improvement and upgrading, establishment of more semen processing facilities and semen banks, natural and artificial breeding stations, stock farms with complete facilities for feed, health and safety of animals, animal dispersal programs, as well as accreditation of breeding farms;
 - b) *Corn Development Program.* In partnership with the DA-National Corn Program and the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), the Roadmap shall improve support for the diversification in the use of corn such as corn silage and the overall development of the local corn industry;
 - c) Pasture Crops and Animal Feeds Program. It shall endeavor to produce adequate, affordable, and sustainable supply of nutritious feed resources to support the requirements and productivity of livestock, poultry, and dairy. Priorities shall be placed on improving support for the use of corn as an animal feed along with production and utilization of pasture, forage crops, fish meals, and other alternative protein-rich crops that can be utilized as animal feeds, including but not limited to, soybean, sorghum, oil palm, coconut, cottonseed, peanut, chickpea, cowpea, mungbean, cassava, and fodder trees and shrubs;
 - d) *Native Animal Program.* It shall strengthen support for the propagation, processing, utilization, and development of native animals;
 - e) *Animal Health Welfare and Protection Program.* It shall implement biosecurity protocols, disease monitoring, prevention, control, containment, and

eradication of animal pests and diseases by providing veterinary health services and general LPD health support programs;

- f) Enterprise Development Program. It shall promote the establishment of enterprises across the value chain in LPD to include credit facilities for small-hold raisers, cooperatives, and organizations together with financial literacy programs and "farming as business" training programs with technical support from the ATI and relevant local training institutes. Enterprise development programs shall be in consonance with the Farmers and Fisherfolk Enterprise Development Program under Republic Act No. 11321 or "Sagip Saka Act of 2019";
- g) *Training and Extension Program.* In consultation with the ATI, ITCPH, TESDA-Accredited Farm Schools, state universities and colleges (SUCs), local government units (LGUs), national government agencies (NGAs), and other relevant institutions, the Roadmap shall provide support to training extension services for small-hold farmers, cooperatives and organizations on technologies and good practice in the propagation, utilization, marketing, processing and distribution of livestock, poultry, dairy, and native animals;
- h) Market Promotion Program. It shall support LPD auction markets, trade fairs, export initiatives, and encourage contract growing arrangements between farmers cooperatives or organizations and institutional buyers of LPD produce;
- i) Research and Development (R&D) Program. It shall strengthen the National Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy (NLPD) Program's own research capabilities in the areas of a) breeding and genetic improvement, b) reproductive biotechniques, c) nutrition, feeds and feeding system including forage and pasture, d) conservation and improvement of native animals, e) vaccines, biologics and diagnostics development, food quality and safety assurance, f) disease control and anti-microbial resistance management, g) production and management decision support systems, h) product development and processing, i) emerging technologies on breeding techniques, j) zoonosis, k) socio-economic and environmental researches, and l) other related researches to improve LPD production;

- j) Food Safety and Quality Assurance Program. The National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS), herein converted into the Bureau of Animal and Poultry Inspection and Regulation (BAPIR) in accordance with Section 12 of this Act, and the NDA shall coordinate with the Food and Drugs Administration (FDA) in the enforcement and regulation of food safety and quality standards on LPD produce and by-products. Moreover, consistent with its mandate under RA 9296 or "Meat Inspection Code of the Philippines," the BAPIR shall continue to serve as the sole national controlling authority on all matters pertaining to primary and processed meat and meat product inspection, and hygiene;
- k) Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Production Network Program. It shall formulate and implement LPD cluster development programs for small-hold raisers' cooperatives, organizations and/or federations in order to encourage economies of scale, production efficiencies, bargaining power of farmers, mutual support, and maximize the coordination and dissemination of government interventions;
- 1) Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Processing Program. It shall include programs that will enhance the value-addition and value-adding opportunities in the processing of livestock and poultry meat, and dairy milk; and
- m) Dairy Development Program. The NDA and the PCC shall institute additional projects and strengthen existing ones towards rapidly increasing herd population and strengthening enterprise development for dairy production and the supply of fresh milk in support of laws instituting milk feeding programs and for the country's need for fresh milk and fresh milk-based products.
 - The implementation of the Roadmap shall be funded through the Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Fund created under Section 23 of this Act.
- SEC. 5. **Steering Committee.** A Steering Committee shall be created to formulate a ten-year Roadmap to serve as the blueprint for developing LPD industries. It shall be headed by the Secretary of the DA with the following as its members:
 - a) Undersecretary for National Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy (NLPD) Program;
- b) Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI);

c) Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI);

1	d) National Dairy Authority (NDA);
2	e) Philippine Carabao Center (PCC);
3	f) Bureau of Animal and Poultry Inspection and Regulation (BAPIR);
4	g) DA-National Corn Program;
5	h) DA-Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (DA-AMAS);
6	i) Bureau of Customs (BOC);
7	j) Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD);
8	k) Department of Education (DepEd);
9	l) Food and Drug Administration (FDA);
10	m) Land Bank of the Philippines (LBP);
11	n) Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP);
12	o) Philippine Center for Postharvest Development and Mechanization (PhilMech);
13	p) Agriculture Training Institute (ATI);
14	q) International Training Center on Pig Husbandry (ITCPH);
15	r) Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS);
16	s) Cooperative Development Authority (CDA);
17	t) Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA); and
18	u) Other concerned government agencies, and industry stakeholders.
19	The Roadmap shall be finalized within one hundred twenty (120) days from the
20	effectivity of this Act and updated every five (5) years thereafter.
21	SEC. 6. Reorganization and Renaming of the National Livestock Program
22	into the Program Management Office (PMO) The current National Livestoc
23	Program is hereby reorganized and renamed the Program Management Office (PMO)
24	which shall be headed by a Director and adopting its current staffing pattern through
25	plantilla positions.
26	The PMO shall act as the secretariat and support staff to the Steering Committee
27	It may continue with the implementation of the livestock programs and projects under the
28	former National Livestock Program, subject to the supervision and direction of the
29	Undersecretary for the NLPD Program.
30	TITLE III
31	OFFICE OF THE UNDERSECRETARY FOR NATIONAL LIVESTOCK, POULTRY,
32	AND DAIRY PROGRAM

SEC. 7. Creation of the Office of the Undersecretary for National
Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy (NLPD) Program. – The DA Office of the
Undersecretary for National Livestock, Poultry and Dairy (NLPD) Program is hereby
created. The Undersecretary for NLPD must be a career officer or a Career Executive
Service Officer who has at least ten (10)-year work experience with the DA and has
considerable exposure to LPD projects and programs. It shall have its own budget
and plantilla of personnel.
SEC. 8. Duties and Functions of the Undersecretary for NLPD Program.
- The Undersecretary for the NLPD Program shall shall have the following duties and
functions:
a) Establish policies for the development of the LPD industries, particularly
those in small-hold farms;
b) Oversee, supervise, direct and provide policy guidance in the
implementation of the Roadmap, and all programs and agencies under it;
c) Exercise direct supervision over all programs, activities, and projects
undertaken by different LPD agencies;
d) Regularly report to the Secretary of the DA;
e) Furnish the Congressional Oversight Committee on Agricultural and
Fisheries Modernization (COCAFM) with annual reports on the LPD Fund
accrual and utilization under this Act; and
f) Perform such other functions as may be necessary to attain the objectives
of this Act.
TITLE IV
RATIONALIZATION OF LIVESTOCK, POULTRY, AND DAIRY SUPPORT
AGENCIES
Chapter 1
Support Agencies for the Livestock and Poultry Industries
SEC. 9. Rationalization of Developmental Functions of the Bureau of
Animal Industry (BAI). – The Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) shall be the
implementing arm concerning development programs and projects of the livestock
and poultry industries under the supervision and direction of the Undersecretary for
the NLPD Program.

1 The following shall be its primary goals and functions:

- 1. Promote the competitive development of the LPD industries and its various subgroups as means of attaining food security and combating rural poverty;
 - 2. Formulate and execute the developmental programs in the Roadmap to ensure competitiveness and development of the LPD industries;
 - 3. Develop, maintain, and access data or technologies to provide timely, accurate, and responsive information to the DA, LPD farmers, cooperatives and organizations, and other players in the value chain of the LPD sector;
 - 4. Ensure a steady and accessible supply of animal and poultry stocks and breeds to local farms, particularly to the small-hold and semi-commercial farms; and
 - 5. Supervise the following Services, namely:
 - a) Ruminants Service (RS) It shall provide developmental and production support, extension services, research, and technical assistance programs to small-hold farmers of cattle, carabaos or water buffaloes, goats, and sheep for meat and dairy production, processing, and for draft animal purposes. Subject to further rationalization, the RS shall absorb the mandates, functions, and personnel of National Beef Cattle Research and Development Center and National Small Ruminants Research and Development Center of BAI.
 - b) Non-Ruminants Service (NRS) It shall provide developmental and production support, extension services, research, and technical assistance programs to small-hold raisers of hogs, poultry and egg, ducks, geese, turkey, quails and other birds, and all other livestock production including, but not limited to, horses, rabbits, and beehive farming. The NRS shall absorb the National Swine and Poultry Research and Development Center, subject to further rationalization.
 - c) Native Animal Development Service (NADS) The Philippine Native Animal Development Center is hereby upgraded to become the NADS, which shall be responsible for the identification, conservation, propagation, and promotion of Philippine native animals, including native pigs, poultry, ducks, deer, horses and carabao or water buffaloes through the use of

appropriate technology as sources of meat, eggs, and other by-products, and help increase incomes of farmers.

- d) Feeds Development Service (FDS) The Feeds Development Service is hereby created to strengthen, in coordination with the DA-National Corn Program and the corn industry players, the availability of affordable and quality animal feeds. It shall engage the private sector, seed producers, feed millers and commercial manufacturers, in joint ventures or direct marketing linkages with corn farmers' cooperatives and organizations. It shall absorb the mandates, functions and personnel of the BAI-National Feeds Resources Research and Development Center, subject to further rationalization.
- e) Research and Marketing Service (RMS) It shall be responsible for studies and proposals for livestock, poultry, dairy, and meat consumer protection, consumer attitudes and behavior, product satisfaction, and consumer experience apart from generating information on product quality standards and new LPD products. The RMS shall absorb the Livestock Research and Development Division of BAI.
- f) Training and Extension Service (TES) It shall be responsible for organizing and coordinating livestock, poultry, and dairy training and educational programs in partnership with LGUs, cooperatives federations, farmer organizations, regional offices of the DA and ATI in order to promote and upgrade the farmers' skills and practices in livestock, poultry, and dairy animal care, production, processing, storage, handling, marketing, transport, and the overall management of LPD farms.
- g) Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Protection and Disease Control Service (LPDPDCS) It shall be responsible for programs, policies, surveillance, and emergency action to protect the LPD industries, including native animals, from the risk of outbreak of diseases or pests. The National Veterinary Quarantine Services Division, Animal Health and Welfare Division, and Veterinary Laboratory Division of BAI shall be part of this Service group and shall create programs in accordance with the following powers and mandates:

 Regular protection surveillance inspections, in partnership with industry players and LGUs, and establishment of protection surveillance and emergency communications networks that will include farmers groups, LGUs, the police and military, and other stakeholders;

- ii. Pest and disease emergency response by way of developing protocols and responses upon declaration of any LPD pest and epidemic disease incident, including regulation of movement of persons, conveyances, and plant material in affected areas, powers to deputize police, military, and local government to control pest outbreaks, and disposal of affected LPD resources and assets; and
- iii. Conduct of scientific research and technology advancement programs on livestock protection by partnering with SUCs, DOST-PCAARRD, private sector laboratories, and international centers for disease control.

SEC. 10. *Inventory of Animals.* - Upon the effectivity of this Act, the BAI shall conduct an inventory and audit of all animals and stocks in its farms and centers. It shall thereafter annually monitor animal production, purchase, sale, replacement of stocks, dispersal, and all other forms of disposition of animals, including its genetics and semen, in accordance with government auditing rules. Income derived from such sale or disposition shall also be treated in accordance with government auditing rules.

The BAI shall prepare and submit an annual report on the status of implementation of this Section to COCAFM.

SEC. 11. **Authority in Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Pest and Diseases- related Emergencies.** – Through LPDPDCS, the BAI is hereby designated as the overall coordinating government body in the event of any LPD pest or epidemic incident that may be deemed to have the potential to reduce the livestock, poultry, or dairy population at the municipal level by at least two percent (2%). The BAI head shall have the authority to call for the creation or activation of the *Animal and Livestock Emergency Response Task Force (ALERTF)* to be composed of key officials at the regional level from the following agencies:

a) Department of Agriculture – Regional Office;

- b) Department of Interior and Local Government Regional Office;
- b) Philippine National Police and/or Philippine Army Regional Command;
- 3 c) Provincial Governor, Provincial Agriculturist, and Provincial Veterinarian;
- 4 d) Mayors of the affected municipalities/cities;
 - e) Other science experts on the case; and

f) Two (2) industry representatives from the affected LPD sub-sector.

The provincial, municipal or city veterinarian, as the case may be, shall be duty-bound to immediately report any event of livestock, poultry, or dairy pest or epidemic incident to BAI. It shall likewise alert BAI should the event or incident be deemed to have the potential to reduce the livestock, poultry, or dairy population at the municipal level by at least two percent (2%).

In the event of a multi-regional pest or epidemic incident, there shall immediately be formed a national body, under the direction and command of the Office of the President, that shall address such pest or epidemic incident.

SEC. 12. Rationalization of the Regulatory Functions of the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS); Conversion into a Line Bureau. — The NMIS is hereby converted into a Bureau of the DA and is herein named the Bureau of Animal and Poultry Inspection and Regulation (BAPIR). It shall be the regulatory arm of the livestock and poultry industries under the supervision and direction of the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program. It shall be provided the annual regular budget and plantilla of personnel appropriate to a Bureau.

Without prejudice to the original mandate of NMIS, and in coordination with the concerned government agencies and bureaus, it shall have the following primary goals and functions:

- To undertake regulatory and monitoring services in order to ensure the quality standards of imported live animals and poultry, production and processing, and food safety of primary and processed livestock and poultry produce;
- 2. To formulate and execute inspection, exportation and importation related regulatory programs in the Roadmap; and

3. To pursue a risk-based and evidence-supported regulatory approach in enforcing food safety and protecting animal health in a manner that is least disruptive to the development of the LPD sectors.

Consistent with the powers and functions of the BAPIR, the role of the BAI over animals, particularly cats and dogs, under Republic Act No. 8485 or "Animal Welfare Act of 1998", and other related laws, rules and regulations, is hereby transferred to the BAPIR.

The BAPIR shall harmonize its efforts with the BOC, towards the implementation of the National Single Window as a reliable institutional platform for interagency collaboration.

The BAPIR, being the successor-in-interest of NMIS' established regulatory powers, shall handle the regulatory processes for the following Service groups:

- a) Livestock, Poultry, Dairy, and Veterinary Drugs and Products Importation Regulation Service (LPDVDPIRS) - The LPDVDPIRS, together with the BOC, shall develop strategies and measures to deal with livestock-, poultry-, and dairy-related imports to prevent and minimize health and environmental risks. It shall regulate the importation of animals, animal by-products and produce, poultry, feeds, veterinary drugs and products, and other related animal health products and devices, to ensure efficient supply, food safety, and minimize environmental risk. In view of this, LPDVDPIRS shall have the sole authority to issue Sanitary and Phyto-Sanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC) for the aforementioned products and commodities, and to conduct inspection and monitoring at the FBIF. In this regard, the LPDVDPIRS is hereby designated in charge of the establishment, management and control of the FBIFs of the DA: Provided, That the BAI, through its appropriate service, shall take charge in inspecting imported live animals and poultry for disease and other harmful threats to the local LPD industries and take appropriate defensive measures.
- b) Livestock and Poultry Inspection Service (LPIS) The LPIS shall be the controlling authority in the enforcement of all policies, regulations, guidelines, and standards, including exportation process, pertaining to primary and processed meat products, meat processing, handling, safety,

quality, hygiene, and sanitation, including assisting the BAFS in the formulation of safety and quality standards for meat produce. Through its Regional Operation Centers, in coordination with local government units, it shall also have the powers to: inspect meat establishments engaged in slaughter, processing, and domestic meat trade; registration and training of meat inspectors, meat handlers and meat brokers; issuance of license to operate to meat establishments; and accredit facilities, registration of transport conveyances and accredit service providers for Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point Program (HACCP) audit as well as oversight of compliance to hygiene and sanitation standards.

c) Animal Feeds, Veterinary Drugs and Biologics Control Service (AFVDBCS) – AFVDBCS shall be the sole regulatory office over local animal feeds, veterinary drugs and products, and other related animal health products and devices intended solely for animal use including the licensing and monitoring of veterinary drugs and products establishments.

In view thereof, all regulatory processes on matters mentioned in the immediately preceding sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) now being handled by other agencies, such as the FDA, shall be transferred to the appropriate service in BAPIR within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

SEC. 13. Streamlining the Regulations of Veterinary Drugs and Products. - Consistent with the policies of this Act, Republic Act No 11032 or "Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018", and the principle of good governance and efficient and effective regulation, the BAPIR through its Animal Feeds, Veterinary Drugs and Biologics Control Service (AFVDBCS) shall become the sole regulatory agency over veterinary drugs and products, and other related animal health products and devices, including the licensing and monitoring of veterinary drugs and products establishments. All regulatory processes for veterinary drugs and products, and other animal health products and devices being handled by other agencies, such as the FDA, shall be transitioned to the AFVDBCS within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

1 However, jurisdiction over the importation and exportation of veterinary drugs 2 and products, and other health products and devices intended solely for LPD use shall 3 pertain to BAPIR-LPDVDPIRS and --LPIS, respectively. 4 Chapter 2 5 **Support Agencies for the Dairy Industry** 6 SEC. 14. Rationalization of the National Dairy Authority (NDA) and the 7 Philippine Carabao Center (PCC). - The PCC and NDA shall be under the 8 supervision and direction of the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program. These 9 agencies shall be further rationalized through amendments in its own Charter. 10 SEC. 15. Common Provisions for NDA and PCC. --11 The mandates and functions of the PCC and the NDA are hereby rationalized 12 to include the following: 13 a) Improvement of livestock productivity; 14 b) Increase of dairy herd size through natural breeding, reproductive 15 biotechnologies and introduction of improved germplasm; 16 c) Establishment of dairy infrastructure and the provision of machinery and 17 equipment for raw milk collection and processing and milk storage facilities; 18 d) Development of pasture lands; 19 e) Utilization of mechanized technology for production and harvesting of 20 feeds and fodder; 21 f) Advancement of veterinary support; 22 g) Contingency planning for animal care and feeds availability during natural 23 calamities and drought conditions; 24 h) Imparting technological researches to the dairy industry stakeholders; 25 Development of projects to increase the country's dairy production; and 26 j) Ensure sustainable supply of water for dairy animal consumption. 27 The Undersecretary of the NLPD Program shall direct the PCC and NDA to 28 increase and improve dairy production and livelihood programs in partnership with 29 stakeholders, including cooperatives, SUCs, especially in dairy cow and water buffalo 30 breeding, propagation of dairy animals and fresh milk production technologies,

pasteurization, and initial processing of raw milk.

The Undersecretary shall also direct the proper coordination among these agencies in the implementation of a national fresh milk feeding program in partnership with the DepEd and/or the DSWD and LGUs.

In addition to their existing priorities, PCC and NDA shall develop holistic programs that address the needs of farmers, their cooperatives and organizations in different aspects of dairy farm management, like breeding, raising dairy livestock, raw milk production, milk processing, business development and marketing, among others. They shall empower farmers, cooperatives and organizations to increase production.

PCC and NDA are likewise mandated to institute a program on distribution of dairy animals to qualified farmers for breeding with close monitoring on the increase in population of reproduced animals. The program shall put in place a system of accountability of beneficiaries that will ensure the success of the program. Funding for these additional mandates shall be as specified in Title VI, Sec. 24(1) of this Act.

PCC and NDA shall establish incremental annual targets in the number of dairy animals and volume of fresh milk production, an annual report of which shall be submitted to the COCAFM.

SEC. 16. *The National Dairy Authority*. –The NDA shall, for the purpose of policy and program coordination, be attached to the DA as a government owned and controlled corporation.

The NDA shall be the central policy determining, developmental and regulatory body tasked to ensure the accelerated development of the Philippine dairy industry, in accordance with the policies and objectives set forth in this Act.

The NDA shall be the sole regulatory agency over all dairy activities and products from primary production up to post market product distribution, including but not limited to, domestic and international trading. It shall be strengthened as a food safety regulatory agency with amplified regulatory jurisdiction over the whole dairy industry chain including, but not limited to, micro, small, medium and all other commercial dairy processing plants and other entities engaged in dairy activities, whether in whole or in part.

For this purpose, micro processing plants pertain to facilities owned by sole proprietors or cooperatives conducting home-based processing operations while small

and medium commercial plants are those owned by local dairy farmers and cooperatives, as defined by Republic Act No. 9501 or the "Magna Carta for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises", and other related laws. These entities shall be registered with the farmers and fisherfolk enterprise development information system (FFEDIS) of the DA.

The NDA, in the exercise of its regulatory function on production, post-harvest, processing, marketing, storage, distribution, and trading, shall require the submission of data and reports relative to the activities along the dairy industry supply/value chain from all licensed dairy business entities, among other measures it may deem proper to regulate the dairy industry.

In view thereof, all regulatory powers and functions lodged in other agencies, such as the FDA, are now hereby transferred to the NDA within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

- SEC. 17. *The Dairy Industry Board*. The NDA shall be governed by a Dairy Industry Board to be composed of the following:
- a) The Secretary of Agriculture, as chairperson, through the Undersecretary for the NLPD program;
 - (b) The NDA Administrator, as an ex officio member;
 - (c) The Secretary of Trade and Industry, as member;
- (d) The Secretary of Health, as member;

- 21 (e) The Secretary of Education, as member;
 - (f) The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development, as member;
- 23 (g) The Secretary of Agrarian Reform, as member;
 - (h) The Director of the Dairy Training and Research Institute, as member; and
 - (i) Four (4) other members who shall be appointed by the President of the Philippines upon the recommendation of the chairperson: *Provided*, That one (1) shall come from the commercial milk processors' group and the other three (3) from the dairy cooperatives and/or national dairy federation, with one representative each from Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao: *Provided, further*, That they will hold office for a period of three (3) years from the date of their respective appointments without reappointment: *Provided, finally*, That any member appointed to a vacancy shall serve only for the unexpired term of the member whom he/she succeeds.

1	SE	EC. 18. <i>Powers and Functions.</i> – The NDA shall have the following powers
2	and func	tions:
3	a)	Formulate and execute dairy programs that will generate a national, urban,
4		and rural impact on nutrition levels and incomes;
5	b)	Conduct the purchase, construction, importation, propagation, storage,
6		distribution, and sale of dairy livestock, materials, equipment and facilities,
7		and all other inputs required by the dairy industry;
8	c)	Integrate dairy production, and dairy related businesses into various
9		livelihood and nutrition programs;
10	d)	Spearhead and coordinate all publicly funded milk feeding programs and
11		coordinate all private sector milk feeding initiatives;
12	e)	Absorb, assume control of, and supervise all dairy-related national
13		government projects, programs and assets in the country;
14	f)	Receive grants, subsidies, donations or contributions from corporations,
15		trusts, foundations, associations and other sources from any private or
16		government office, agency or corporation in the Philippines or abroad;
17	g)	Establish, maintain or operate field units or offices in various parts of the
18		country in order to utilize the objectives of this Act;
19	h)	Design and implement a credit system that will be responsive to the needs
20		of dairy farmers and dairy cooperatives or associations;
21	i)	Engage in dairy related business, milk-buying and other marketing activities,
22		and to sustain the financial viability of the corporation to include, but not
23		limited to, sales, exchange, exportation, and importation of dairy animals
24		and to engage in business ventures and other commercial arrangements
25		with third parties related to dairy activities including but not limited to
26		establishment of milk processing plants, feed processing, trading, hauling,
27		shipping, and other value chain business or activities on dairying;
28	j)	Borrow, raise or obtain funds; to issue bonds and other instruments of
29		indebtedness; or to enter into any financial or credit arrangement in order
30		to support or carry out its objectives and purposes, subject to pertinent laws
31		governing public debts and expenditures;

k) Establish and operate its own dairy stock farms, nucleus farms, and artificial insemination facilities for the purpose of breeding, upgrading, dispersal and sale of dairy animals; I) Charge reasonable fees for services rendered for the attainment of the objectives of this Act; m) Maintain corporate capital structure for its continued operations and maintenance in addition to the annual General Appropriations Act upon the effectivity of this Act;

- n) Adopt, alter and use a corporate seal; to sue and be sued; and otherwise to do and perform all acts or exercise all powers as may be necessary or incidental to carry out the objectives of this Act;
- o) Recommend tariff rates for dairy products in accordance with existing and applicable laws and treaties, in coordination with the Tariff Commission;
- p) Issue licenses to operate, certificates of product registration, dairy product standards, approval of labelling and packaging, and collect incidental fees in connection therewith from dairy related businesses;
- q) Perform dairy safety and other regulatory functions over dairy production and processing, including those businesses, industries, and activities found on the dairy value chain;
- r) Perform border control over the exportation and importation of dairy animals and dairy products including the issuances of import and export permits and licenses;
- s) Monitor supply and demand, distribution, importation, processing and manufacture of milk and other dairy products;
- t) Fix, regulate, coordinate and facilitate the absorption of local milk supply by the commercial sector, and to strengthen the dairy development fund in Republic Act No. 7884 or the "National Dairy Development Act of 1995" from the proceeds of the incidental regulatory fees arising therefrom, the fund of which shall be used to capacitate the small-scale producers and processors, and to meet the NDA's corporate social responsibility activities;

1 u) Establish and maintain facilities related to its regulatory functions that shall 2 include but not limited to border inspection offices, reference laboratories, 3 satellite laboratories among others; 4 v) Strengthen its own staff compliment as the need arises and as approved by 5 the board, subject to civil service guidelines and other pertinent laws; 6 w) Assist and deputize the PCC in the latter's milk production and regulation; 7 and 8 x) Promulgate rules and regulations to carry out the provisions and policy 9 objectives of this Act. 10 SEC. 19. **Nutrition Program**; **Milk Feeding Program**. – The nutrition 11 program of government requiring milk and dairy products shall be sourced first from 12 local dairy farmers and dairy cooperatives in coordination with the NDA and the PCC 13 until supply has been exhausted. 14 The NDA, in coordination with the PCC, shall ensure that all participants of the 15 milk feeding program utilizes milk produced by local dairy farmers and cooperatives. 16 SEC. 20. **Dairy Programs, Projects, and Assets.** - All remaining 17 government dairy programs, projects, and assets operating outside of the NDA, except 18 the PCC, shall be absorbed by the NDA. Towards this end, the NDA shall conduct an 19 inventory of all assets, lots, funds held, grants, subsidies and records of all national 20 line government agencies related to dairying, including the lot it presently occupies in 21 the BAI compound which shall measure to at least five hundred (500) square meters. 22 The Land Registration Authority, in coordination with the NDA, Department of 23 Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and affected agencies, is hereby tasked 24 to transfer the ownership of the approved inventory of dairy related properties to the 25 NDA, including the five hundred (500) square meter lot in the BAI Compound. 26 SEC. 21. **Condonation and Writing-off of Farmers' Debts.** – To achieve 27 the objectives of this Act, the debts, including interests and penalties, of farmers to 28 the NDA and PCC under the animal dispersal program or *paiwi* of both agencies are 29 hereby condoned and written-off the records of NDA and PCC. 30 Title V 31

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM

1	SEC. 22. Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Management Information
2	System (LPDMIS). – The LPDMIS shall be the repository of all information relevant
3	to LPD industries. It shall endeavor to provide timely, accurate and responsive
4	information related to LPD industries which shall include, but not limited to, the
5	following data down to the municipal level:
6	a) LPD supply (LPD inventory, production data, exports, and imports, among
7	others), and demand data;
8	b) Crop and non-crop animal feed inputs data (production, prices, imports,
9	and exports);
10	c) Animal feed data (inventory and prices);
11	d) Price and price trends (include farm-gate, wholesale, and retail prices of
12	LPD and corn);
13	e) Research information and technology generated from research institutions
14	involved in LPD;
15	f) Information on pest, diseases, and epidemics to ensure food safety and
16	animal health protection;
17	g) International, national, regional, and provincial market forecast;
18	h) Support extension providers' relevant information; and
19	i) Data relating to programs of the BAI, PCC, NDA and BAPIR (importation of
20	breeds, artificial insemination, natural breeding, buy-back programs,
21	sources of stocks and breeds for need of local farms, among other
22	information).
23	The LPDMIS shall be placed directly under the Office of the Undersecretary for
24	NLPD Program and shall be linked to the BAI, PCC, NDA and PSA database and
25	website for easy access of stakeholders and users to data and information on
26	livestock, poultry, and dairy. It shall be implemented within one hundred twenty (120)
27	days from effectivity of this Act.
28	TITLE VI
29	FUND
30	Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Fund
31	SEC. 23. <i>Creation of the Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness</i>
32	Enhancement Fund. – In addition to the regular budget of the LPD agencies from

- the annual General Appropriations Act, there is hereby created a Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Fund (LPD Fund) which shall be utilized by these agencies.
- The LPD Fund shall consist of an annual appropriation of Seven billion and eight hundred million pesos (₱7,800,000,000.00) sourced from all tariff collections on imported livestock, poultry, and dairy products for the fraction of the year following the effectivity of this Act and six (6) years thereafter.
- 8 *Livestock Imports* include imported products under the following HS headings 9 or AHTN Codes, and Descriptions:
- i. 01.01 Live horses, asses, mules and hinnies.
- ii. 01.02 Live bovine animals.
- 12 iii. 01.03 Live swine.
- iv. 01.04 Live sheep and goats
- v. 0106.13.00 Other live animals - Rabbits and hares
- 15 vi. 0106.41.00 Other live animals - Bees
- vii. 02.01 Meat of bovine animals, fresh or chilled.
- viii. 02.02 Meat of bovine animals, frozen.
- ix. 02.03 Meat of swine, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 19 x. 02.04 Meat of sheep or goat, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 20 xi. 02.05 Meat of horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 21 xii. 02.06 Edible offal of bovine animals, swine, sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- xiii. 02.08 Other meat and edible meat offal, fresh, chilled or frozen.
- 24 xiv. 0209.10.00 Pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry fat, not rendered or 25 otherwise extracted, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or 26 smoked - Of Pigs
- 27 xv. 02.10 Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked; 28 edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal.
- 29 xvi. 04.09 Natural Honey
- 30 xvii. 04.10.00.90 Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified or included - Other

1 xviii. 05.02 - Pigs', hogs', boars' bristles and hair; badger hair and other brush 2 making hair; waste of such bristle or hair. 3 XiX. 05.04 - Guts, bladders and stomachs of animals (other than fish), whole 4 and pieces thereof, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or 5 smoked. 6 XX. 05.06 - Bones and horn-cores, unworked, defatted, simply prepared (but 7 not cut to shape), treated with acid or degelatinised; powder and waste 8 of these products. 9 05.07 - Ivory, tortoise-shell, whalebone and whalebone hair, horns, xxi. 10 antlers, hooves, nails, claws and beaks, unworked or simply prepared 11 but not cut to shape; powder and waste of these products. Poultry Imports include imported products under the following HS headings or 12 13 AHTN Codes, and Descriptions: 14 i. 01.05 - Live poultry, that is to say, fowls of the species Gallus 15 domesticus, ducks, geese, turkeys and guinea fowls. 16 02.07 - Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, ii. 17 chilled or frozen. 18 iii. 0209.90.00 - Pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry fat, not rendered or 19 otherwise extracted, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted, in brine, dried or 20 smoked - - Other 21 iv. 0210.99.10 - Meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or 22 smoked; edible flours and meals of meat or meat offal - -Freeze dried 23 chicken dice 24 ٧. 04.07 - Birds' eggs, in shell, fresh, preserved or cooked 25 vi. 04.08 - Birds' eggs, not in shell, and egg yolks, fresh, dried, cooked by 26 steaming or by boiling in water, moulded, frozen or otherwise preserved, 27 whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. 28 vii. 0410.00.10 - Edible products of animal origin, not elsewhere specified 29 or included - - Birds' nest 30 Dairy Imports include imported products under the following HS headings or 31 AHTN Codes, and Descriptions:

- i. 04.01 Milk and cream, not concentrated nor containing added sugar or other sweetening matter.
 - ii. 04.02 Milk and cream, concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter.
 - iii. 04.03 Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream, whether or not concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured or containing added fruit, nuts or cocoa.
 - iv. 04.04 Whey, whether or not concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter; products consisting of natural milk constituents, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter, not elsewhere specified or included.
 - v. 04.05 Butter and other fats and oils derived from milk; dairy spreads.
 - vi. 04.06 Cheese and curd.

All tariff collections from livestock, poultry, and dairy shall be automatically credited to a special account for the NLPD Program in the general fund of the national treasury which shall be in place within forty five (45) days from the effectivity of this Act: *Provided*, That if the tariff collection exceeds Seven billion and eight hundred million pesos (₱7,800,000,000.00) in any given year within the next six (6) years following the effectivity of this Act, the excess tariff revenue shall automatically be added to the LPD Fund of the following year and the total amount be allocated and utilized in accordance with this Act: *Provided further*, That allocation and utilization of the LPD Fund shall be subject to the following guidelines:

- a) The recipient agency shall be accountable and responsible for the management and utilization of the said fund in coordination with other government agencies concerned. It shall provide the Secretary of the DA, through the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program, a regular report on its fund management and utilization;
- b) The amount allocated shall be released directly to the implementing agencles as provided for in this Act based on the objectives and plans of the LPD Value Chain Development Roadmap, created in Section 4 of this Act: *Provided,* That the unutilized portion of the LPD Fund allocated to the

- implementing agencies shall not revert to the general fund but shall continue to be used for the purpose for which it was set aside. Fund releases charged against the said funds shall not be subject to any ceiling by the DBM: and c) Any program undertaken in accordance with this Act shall only be deemed complementary and supplementary to, and shall not be a replacement of any existing programs for the LPD sector already implemented by the DA and other agencies concerned. SEC. 24. Allocation and Disbursement of the Livestock, Poultry, and **Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Fund.** – Subject to the usual accounting
 - SEC. 24. *Allocation and Disbursement of the Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Fund.* Subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations, the LPD Fund shall be annually allocated, disbursed and used as follows:
 - 1. Twenty nine percent (29%) for repopulation and herd build-up, improvement and accreditation of established breeding centers/stock farms nationwide. The fund shall be distributed as follows: fifteen percent (15%) to BAI and fourteen percent (14%) to be divided equally by PCC and NDA for dairy development in accordance with their additional mandates set forth in Sec. 15 of this Act, and in addition to their existing budget allocations: *Provided*, That the allocation herein shall be disbursed according to the following schedule:

For the BAI (15%):

- a) Sixty percent (60%) for the hogs subsector repopulation/herd build-up;
- b) Ten percent (10%) for poultry;
- c) Ten percent (10%) for native animals;
- d) Twenty percent (20%) for other animals.

Provided, That the breeder/stock farm for paragraphs (a) and (b) shall refer only to cooperative or associations of at least 15 hog/chicken farms, which have been in existence for at least five (5) years. They should have a counterpart contribution of at least two-hectare lot for said breeder/stock farm: *Provided further*, That paragraphs (c) and (d) shall be coursed

through the nucleus farms of the BAI all over the country, equally divided,
which in turn shall be responsible in producing and distributing animals such
as but not limited to pigs, chicken, sheep, goats, cattle to farmers
cooperatives/associations/organizations: *Provided finally*, That the first two
(2) years of the fund allocation for paragraphs (c) and (d) shall be utilized
in strengthening the physical make-up of the nucleus farms and in the
procurement of breeder/stock animals.

For the NDA (7%) and the PCC (7%):

- a) Seventy percent (70%) for genetically improved dairy cattle and carabao repopulation/herd build-up;
- b) Thirty percent (30%) for the other concerns enumerated in this Act *Provided*, That the breeder/stock farm shall refer only to cooperative or associations of at least 15 dairy farms, which have been in existence for at least two (2) years. They should have a counterpart contribution of at least two-hectare lot for said breeder/stock farm.
- 2. Fifteen percent (15%) to BAI for animal health and welfare, and native animal development programs, disease control, prevention and response, including protective surveillance, pest and disease emergency response, and conduct of research and technology advancement programs to be distributed as follows: five percent (5%) for BAI-LPDPDCS, five percent (5%) for BAI-AHWD, and five percent (5%) for BAI-NADS.

A Capacity Recovery Fund (CRF) in the amount of One hundred million pesos (Php100,000,000.00) from the budget appropriated in this paragraph, shall be set aside every year by BAI, as the lead agency in ALERTF. It shall be utilized as a supplementary fund to the Quick Response Fund of the DA, the Calamity Fund under Republic Act No. 10121 or the "Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010", or other government sources. Local Government Units may also augment the CRF using their

local funds. Unexpended CRF shall remain in standby and shall not be reverted to the general fund.

The CRF shall be managed by the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program. It shall be the source of actual cash assistance to LPD farmers who have become victims of any crisis contemplated under this Act. The qualification of recipients and mechanism by which cash assistance shall be handed out shall be drawn by the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program in consultation with the LPD associations/organizations: *Provided*, That the actual channel by which cash is to be given out shall be through the Landbank of the Philippines or the Development Bank of the Philippines;

3. Fifteen percent (15%) to PhilMech for building or improving shared service facilities such as primary processing facilities like slaughterhouses, poultry dressing plants, collection of dairy milk, processing and storage, distribution of equipment for developing pasture lands in strategic areas or provinces, and building of bio-secure facilities with appropriate equipment for LPD production to serve the needs of small-hold raisers, cooperatives or organizations: *Provided*, That the allocation and disbursement of funds shall be in accordance with the following schedule:

Hogs sub-sector – thirty percent (30%)

Dairy sub-sector - thirty percent (30%)

Poultry sub-sector- Ten percent (10%)

Other animals - Thirty percent (30%)

4. Fifteen percent (15%) for developing and augmenting food safety and animal support extension and training; five percent (5%) to BAPIR; five percent (5%) to be equally divided by NDA and PCC, in cooperation with ATI; one percent (1%) to BAI, in cooperation with ATI (1.5%), ITCPH (1.5%), and PhilMech (1%);

5. Twelve percent (12%) to be equally divided at four percent (4%) each by BAI-FDS, NDA and PCC for development and propagation of animal and poultry feeds, forage and fodder, particularly by providing seeds and planting materials, and ensure easy and affordable access to small-hold farms. They shall establish model forage farms in their existing research and development centers nationwide and develop forage and feed consolidation models in partnership with cooperatives;

- 6. Five percent (5%) to LBP and DBP, to be managed equally and made available in the form of credit facility for the improvement of breeders and stocks through the purchase of breeders, growers, multipliers, feeds, and genetically improved stocks, establishment of animal housing, and purchase of livestock, poultry and dairy farm equipment, with the least of interest rates and documentary requirements;
- 7. Three percent (3%) to the Office of the Undersecretary for the NLPD Program, to be divided at two percent (2%) for planning, formulating, updating the Roadmap, monitoring activities, and impact assessment studies; and one percent (1%) for use in the establishment and operation of the Livestock, Poultry and Dairy Management Information System (LPDMIS);
- 8. Three percent (3%) to DA-Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (DA-AMAS) for marketing and trade promotion activities to benefit livestock, poultry and dairy raisers; and
- 9. Two percent (2%) to be divided between the BAI-Livestock Research and Development Division (1%) for farm school-based and/or industry-driven research and development programs, as well as for support to technology transfer and commercialization programs and projects, in support of the areas identified in Sec. 4(i), and one percent (1%) for PCC.

- 10. One percent (1%) to the CDA for the accreditation of small-hold livestock, poultry, and dairy raisers, into formal groups, cooperatives or organizations;
 4 Provided, That each agency in the above-allocation of funds shall annually report on their accomplishment to the COCAFM.
 SEC. 25. Beneficiaries of LPD Fund. Within one hundred eighty (180) days
 - SEC. 25. *Beneficiaries of LPD Fund.* Within one hundred eighty (180) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DA, in consultation with farmers' cooperatives and organizations, and LGUs, shall establish the LPD Registry System (LPDRS), the master list of eligible beneficiaries of the LPD Fund.

The beneficiaries of the LPD Fund are small-hold LPD raisers, LPD cooperatives, associations, or organizations accredited by the DA: *Provided,* That preferential attention shall be given to LPD raisers who are members of cooperatives, associations or organizations.

- SEC. 26. *Review of the Livestock, Poultry, and Dairy Competitiveness Enhancement Funds.* The following mandatory review of the LPD Fund shall be performed:
 - 1. The Philippine Institute for Development Studies (PIDS) shall conduct impact evaluation of the LPD Fund programs to LPD productivity on the second (2nd), third (3rd) and sixth (6th) year of the effectivity of this Act, as provided for in Sec. 24 (7) of this Act;
 - 2. The percentage allocation of the LPD Fund shall be reviewed on the third (3rd) year from the effectivity of this Act for possible revisions should intervention priorities change; and
 - 3. Before the end of the sixth (6th) year from the effectivity of this Act, a mandatory review shall be conducted by the COCAFM to determine whether the LPD Fund and its utilization as provided for under this Act shall be continued, amended, or terminated. The increase or decrease in farmers' incomes shall be a primary benchmark in determining the effectiveness of the interventions under the program and its possible extension;

In view of its oversight function, the COCAFM, at any time, may conduct an assessment of the implementation of programs and utilization of LPD Fund as directed under this Act.

SEC. 27. Budget for the Procurement of Local Fresh Milk and Fresh-Milk based Products under the Milk Feeding Program of RA No. 11037. — The DSWD and DepEd and other government entities shall hereby allocate their respective budgets for the procurement of milk in the implementation of the National Feeding Program to be sourced first, until supply is exhausted, from locally produced fresh milk and fresh milk- based food products which are incorporated in the fortified meals and cycle menu.

11 TITLE VII

SEC. 28. *Powers of the President*. –The President is hereby empowered to:

FINAL PROVISIONS

- a) Revise or adjust existing rates of customs duties on LPD imports up to their respective bound rates committed by the Philippines under the WTO agreement on agriculture and under ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement, including any necessary change in classification applicable to their importation, subject to the provisions of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (CMTA): *Provided,* That the adjustment is time-bound and that the power herein delegated to the President shall only be exercised when Congress is not in session: *Provided further,* That any order issued by the President adjusting the applied tariff rates shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication;
- b) Allow the importation of LPD products at a lower applied tariff rate to address the situation in the event of any imminent or forecasted shortage, animal disease epidemic, or such other situation requiring government intervention for a limited period and/or a specified volume. Such order shall take effect immediately and can be issued even when Congress is in session.

The power herein delegated to the President may be withdrawn or terminated by Congress through a joint resolution.

1	SEC. 29. Separability Clause. – If any provision of this Act is declared
2	unconstitutional, the remainder thereof not otherwise affected shall remain in full force
3	and effect.
4	SEC. 30. Repealing Clause. – Sections 4,5,6 and 16 of Republic Act No. 7884
5	are hereby repealed. The provisions of Republic Act No. 7884 not affected shall have
6	suppletory application.
7	Such other laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, letters of instruction,
8	proclamations or administrative regulations that are inconsistent with the provisions
9	of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.
10	SEC. 31. <i>Effectivity.</i> – This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days
11	following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette, or in a newspaper of
12	general circulation.
13	Approved,