



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5841

BY REPRESENTATIVE VILLAFUERTE, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1995

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AN OYSTER AND MUSSEL FARM IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CALABANGA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES
SUR, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

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

1 SECTION 1. The Department of Agriculture is hereby authorized to
2 establish an oyster and mussel farm in the Municipality of Calabanga, Province
3 of Camarines Sur, which shall be under the supervision and control of the
4 Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture
5 or its equivalent office.

6 SEC. 2. The Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources shall take such
7 steps as may be necessary to demonstrate the scientific culture of oysters and
8 mussels and provide through the facilities of the oyster and mussel farm the
9 technology of operating and maintaining an oyster and mussel farm as a

1 technically sound and commercially viable venture, and for this purpose, may
2 issue such rules and regulations to effectively implement the purposes and
3 intents of this Act.

4 SEC. 3. The Department of Agriculture, through the oyster and mussel
5 farm, is hereby authorized to conduct such researches and experiments as may
6 be necessary to improve existing technology on oyster and mussel farming and
7 to enhance and maximize income potentials of said industry.

8 The Department shall assist local governments to establish, in
9 appropriate locations, their own oyster and mussel farms as pilot demonstration
10 farms or as economic enterprises for local revenue generating purposes.

11 SEC. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's
12 program the funding requirements for the establishment and operationalization
13 of the oyster and mussel farm in the Municipality of Calabanga, Province of
14 Camarines Sur. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its continued
15 operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General
16 Appropriations Act.

17 SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,