

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila
Nineteenth Congress
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-second day of July, two thousand twenty-four.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 12108]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COASTAL AQUACULTURE CENTER TO SUPPORT AND REHABILITATE THE BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES NORTHERN MINDANAO BRACKISH WATER AQUACULTURE FISH FARM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LALA, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (DA-BFAR), a coastal aquaculture center to further enhance the operations of the BFAR Northern Mindanao Brackish Water Aquaculture Fish Farm in the Municipality of Lala, Province of Lanao del Norte.

SEC. 2. Prior to the establishment of the coastal aquaculture center, the DA-BFAR shall conduct a full-scale feasibility study to comply with the requirements of the Department of Budget and Management.

The DA-BFAR shall conduct continuing technological verification and experimentation on coastal aquaculture, especially as they apply to local conditions, and to discover new methods and technology that will rejuvenate the fishing industry.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the conduct of the feasibility study and the consequent establishment of the coastal aquaculture center, and the rehabilitation of the BFAR Northern Mindanao Brackish Water Aquaculture Fish Farm in the Municipality of Lala, Province of Lanao del Norte, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations to implement the provisions of this Act.

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,



FRANCIS "CHIZ" G. ESCUDERO
President of the Senate




FERDINAND MARTIN G. ROMUALDEZ
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*

This Act, which originated in the House of Representatives, was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on March 6, 2023 and September 16, 2024, respectively.





RENATO N. BANTUG JR.
Secretary of the Senate



REGINALD S. VELASCO
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*

Approved: **DEC 13 2024**



FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS JR.
President of the Philippines



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