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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5650

BY REPRESENTATIVE AMANTE, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 664

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTIPURPOSE FISH BREEDING STATION AND CRAB, PRAWN, SHRIMP, AND LOBSTER HATCHERY IN BARANGAY ATA-ATAHON, MUNICIPALITY OF NASIPIT, PROVINCE OF AGUSAN 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 (BFAR-DA), a multipurpose fish breeding station and crab, prawn, shrimp, and lobster hatchery in Barangay Ata-atahon, Municipality of Nasipit, Province of Agusan del Norte.
- SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall conduct continuing research and experimentation on fish, crab, prawn, shrimp, and lobster culture, especially as they apply to local conditions, for the purpose of improving existing technology and maximizing the income potential of the fishing industry.
- SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the establishment of the fish breeding station and crab, prawn,

shrimp, and lobster hatchery, 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 local revenue in an amount deemed
appropriate for its operationalization.

- SEC. 4. The BFAR-DA, in coordination with the local government units concerned, shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation 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,