



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5793

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BY REPRESENTATIVE ABUEG, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 278

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AN ACT DECLARING KAPANGYAN FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BATARAZA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- 1           SECTION 1. The Kapangyan Falls in the Municipality of Bataraza,  
2 Province of Palawan, is hereby declared a tourist destination. As such, its  
3 development shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT), and  
4 shall be subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of  
5 tourist destinations.
- 6           SEC. 2. Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in  
7 coordination with the concerned local government units and agencies of the  
8 government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving the  
9 construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and  
10 infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area: *Provided*, That the said  
11 development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural  
12 beauty and resources of the area:

1           SEC. 3. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the  
2 development plan that will suit the natural characteristic of Kapangyan Falls,  
3 and shall incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the  
4 ensuing calendar year. It shall also include the Kapangyan Falls in all its  
5 national, regional and local promotion programs.

6           SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the  
7 Secretary of the DOT shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for  
8 the proper implementation of this Act.

9           SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's  
10 program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be  
11 included in the annual General Appropriations Act and internally generated  
12 funds of the DOT.

13          SEC. 6. All laws, rules, regulations, proclamations, executive orders or  
14 parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended accordingly.

15          SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication  
16 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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