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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 545

Submitted by the Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform joint with the Committee on Finance on $\underline{JAN \ 2\ 6\ 2022}$.

Re: H. B. No. 9933

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 9933 without amendment.

Sponsor: Senator Cynthia A. Villar

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committee on Agriculture, Food and Agrarian Reform joint with the Committee on Finance to which was referred House Bill No. 9933, introduced by Representative Sarmiento, entitled:

"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE CITY OF CALBAYOG, PROVINCE OF SAMAR, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that it be approved without amendment. Respectfully submitted:

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H. No. 9933

By Representative Sarmiento, per Committee Report No. 1104

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE CITY OF CALBAYOG, PROVINCE OF SAMAR, 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 multi-species marine
hatchery in the City of Calbayog, Province of Samar.

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5 SEC. 2. Prior to the establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery, the BFAR-DA 6 shall conduct a full-scale feasibility study in support of its construction to comply with the 7 requirements of the Department of Budget and Management

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9 Within two (2) years after the construction of the multi-species marine hatchery, the 10 BFAR-DA, through a memorandum of agreement, shall transfer its management to the local 11 government of the City of Calbayog. It shall implement a training and phasing-in program for 12 local government personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.

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SEC. 3. The BFAR-DA shall conduct continuing research and experimentation on the breeding and production of marine species, especially as they apply to local conditions, to discover new methods and technologies that will enhance the fishing industry.

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SEC. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the conduct of the feasibility study and the consequent establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in the City of Calbayog, Province of Samar, the funding of which shall be included in the General Appropriations Act. The local government unit concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.

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25 SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture 26 shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and the eventual 27 transfer of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local government of the City of Calbayog. SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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