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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 251

Submitted by the Committee on Agriculture and Food and the Committee on Finance on FEB 0 6 4001

Re: House Bill No. 5840

Recommending its approval with amendments.

Sponsor: Senator Ramon B. Magsaysay, Jr.

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Agriculture and Food and Finance, to which was referred House Bill No. 5840, introduced by Representatives Villafuerte and Gidaya, entitled:

"AN ACT

TO ESTABLISH AQUATIC RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTAL BREEDING STATIONS IN SUITABLE MUNICIPALITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FOR THE CULTURE, BREEDING AND PROPAGATION OF MUDFISH ("DALAG"), NATIVE HITO, GURAMI AND FRESHWATER SHRIMP, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the bill be approved with the following amendments:

- 1. On page 1, Section 1, line 3, delete the words "experimental breeding stations" and in lieu thereof, insert the words "TECHNOLOGY CENTER" before the word "for";
- 2. On the same page and section, line 4, add the phrase "SUCH AS BUT NOT LIMITED TO" before the word "Mudfish";
- 3. On the same page and section, still line 4, insert the phrase "AND OTHER AQUATIC ANIMALS" between the words "shrimp" and "under";
- 4. On page 2, Section 2, line 2, insert the phrase "AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR)" between the words "Sur" and "is";
- 5. On the same page and section, line 5 through line 6, delete the phrase "experimental breeding station up to freshwater shrimp" and in lieu thereof, insert the words "TECHNOLOGY CENTER" between the words "and" and "shall":
- 6. On the same page, section 3, line 12 through line 13, delete the phrase "experimental breeding stations up to freshwater shrimp" and in lieu

thereof, insert the words "TECHNOLOGY CENTER" between the words "and" and "in":

8. The Title shall read as follows:

"AN ACT

TO ESTABLISH AQUATIC RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER IN SUITABLE MUNICIPALITY IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5840

By Representatives Villafuerte and Gidaya, per Committee Report No. 1994

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH AQUATIC RESEARCH AND EXPERIMENTAL BREEDING STATIONS IN SUITABLE MUNICIPALITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR FOR THE CULTURE, BREEDING AND PROPAGATION OF MUDFISH ("DALAG"), NATIVE HITO, GURAMI AND FRESHWATER SHRIMP, AND FOF OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established in suitable or appropriate municipalities in the Province of Camarines Sur, aquatic research and experimental breeding stations for the breeding, culture and propagation of Mudfish ("dalag") native hito, gurami and freshwater shrimp under the guidance and supervision of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture.

SEC. 2. The Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources. coordination with the Province of Camarines Sur, is hereby authorized to assist in the establishment and maintenance of such facilities and equipment as may be necessary to implement the intents and purposes of this Act. For this purpose, the aquatic research and experimental breeding station for mudfish ("dalag"), native hito, gurami and freshwater shrimp shall formulate such operating guidelines as shall be recommended by the Department of Agriculture for the breeding, propagation and distribution of spawners, fry of fingerlings of said aquatic species.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's program the funding requirements for the establishment and operationalization of the aquatic research and experimental breeding stations for mudfish ("dalag"), native hito, gurami and freshwater shrimp in the Province of Camarines Sur. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for their continued operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,