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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3165

By Representative Jaafar

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MODIFIED MARICULTURE DEVELOPMENT IN MUNICIPALITIES PARK THE LANGUYAN, TANDUBAS, SOUTH UBIAN AND SAPA-SAPA, PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI. APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established, under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture (DA), a modified mariculture development park in the municipalities of Languyan, Tandubas, South Ubian and Sapa-Sapa, Province of Tawi-Tawi.

SEC. 2. The Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA) and the Mindanao State University-Tawi-Tawi College of Technology and Oceanography (MSU-TCTO) are hereby tasked to provide technical assistance in the establishment and maintenance of such facilities as may be necessary to implement the intents and purposes of this Act. For this purpose, the BFAR-DA, together with the MSU-TCTO and the concerned local government

| units | (LGUs), | shall | formulate | the | operating | guidelines | necessary | for | the |
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| operation of the said modified mariculture development parks. | | | | | | | | | |

- SEC. 3. The BFAR-DA, in coordination with the MSU-TCTO and the concerned LGUs, shall conduct continuing experimentation for the purpose of improving the said parks and for maximizing income potentials of the fisherfolks in the area.
- SEC. 4. The base of research operations shall be the MSU-TCTO campus and the BFAR-DA in Tandubas.
- SEC. 5. The BFAR-DA and the LGUs concerned, in collaboration with the MSU-TCTO, shall take such steps as may be necessary to promote and attract investments in this field of economic endeavor.
- SEC. 6. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's program the funding requirements to establish and operate the said modified mariculture development parks. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the same shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
- SEC. 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,

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