



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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BY REPRESENTATIVES ABUEG AND ALVAREZ (F.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT
NO. 846

AN ACT DECLARING GANGUB CAVE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
BATARAZA, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AS 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. Gangub Cave in the Municipality of Bataraza, Province of
2 Palawan is hereby declared a tourist destination. It shall be accorded priority
3 development by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and shall be subject to the
4 rules and regulations governing the development of tourist destinations.

5 SEC. 2. The DOT, in coordination with the local government of
6 Palawan and other concerned agencies of the government, shall prepare,
7 within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, a tourism development plan
8 involving the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate
9 facilities and infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area: *Provided,*
10 That the development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation
11 of the natural resources in the area in conformity with the intrinsic
12 characteristics of Gangub Cave and its premises.

1 SEC. 3. The DOT shall take immediate steps to incorporate the
2 development plan in its tourism development program and to prioritize its
3 implementation. The DOT shall likewise promote Gangub Cave as a tourist
4 destination in all its international and domestic promotions programs.

5 SEC. 4. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's
6 program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be
7 included in the annual General Appropriations Act and internally generated
8 funds of the DOT.

9 SEC. 5. All laws, rules, regulations, proclamations, executive orders or
10 parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended accordingly.

11 SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
12 in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

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