



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8582

BY REPRESENTATIVES CAGAS AND NOGRALES (K.A.), PER COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 929

AN ACT DECLARING BARANGAY BALUTAKAY LOCATED IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF BANSALAN, PROVINCE OF
DAVAO DEL SUR AN ECO-AGRITOURISM SITE AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. This Act shall be known as "Barangay
2 Balutakay Eco-Agritourism Act".

3 SEC. 2. It is hereby declared the policy of the State to
4 promote a tourism industry that is ecologically sustainable,
5 responsible, participative, culturally sensitive, economically viable,
6 and equitable for local communities.

7 SEC. 3. Barangay Balutakay located in the Municipality of
8 Bansalan, Province of Davao del Sur is hereby declared an
9 eco-agritourism site. As such, its development shall be prioritized
10 by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and shall be subject to
11 the rules and regulations governing the development of the
12 eco-agritourism site.

1 The DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure
2 and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA), shall prepare a
3 development plan that shall ensure the preservation and
4 conservation of the natural resources of the area. The plan shall
5 likewise include the construction and maintenance of necessary
6 facilities to enhance the eco-agritourism area and ensure optimum
7 utilization of assets and resources available.

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

12 SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act,
13 the DOT, in consultation with the Province of Davao del Sur and the
14 TIEZA, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the
15 proper implementation of this Act.

16 SEC. 6. All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders,
17 proclamations, and administrative regulations, or parts thereof,
18 which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified
19 accordingly.

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

Approved,

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