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BY REPRESENTATIVES BATAOIL, NOGRALES (K.A.) AND SY-ALVARADO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 950

AN ACT DECLARING MOUNT SAN ISIDRO LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LABRADOR, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AN ECOTOURISM DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. Mount San Isidro located in the Municipality of 2 Labrador, Province of Pangasinan is hereby declared an ecotourism 3 destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the 4 Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations 5 governing the development of ecotourism destinations.

6 SEC. 2. Within six (6) months after the approval of this Act, 7 the DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority and other concerned agencies of the 8 9 government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving 10 the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate 11 facilities and infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area: 12 Provided, That the development plan shall ensure the preservation 13 of the natural beauty and resources of the area.

1 SEC. 3. The DOT, in coordination with concerned local 2 government units and agencies of the government, shall take 3 immediate steps to implement the tourism development plan and 4 incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the 5 ensuing calendar year.

6 SEC. 4. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the 7 Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding 8 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act 9 and internally generated funds of the DOT.

SEC. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act,
the Secretary of the DOT shall promulgate the necessary rules and
regulations for its proper implementation.

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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