



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7070

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BY REPRESENTATIVES FORTUN, DURANO, BELMONTE (R.) AND  
ALEJANO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 593

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AN ACT DECLARING THE BALANGAY, OTHERWISE KNOWN  
AS THE BUTUAN BOAT, AS THE NATIONAL BOAT OF  
THE PHILIPPINES

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

1           SECTION 1. It is the policy of the State to promote and  
2 inculcate nationalism, appreciation and pride in the cultural and  
3 historical heritage of the nation. Furthermore, the State shall instill  
4 and foster nationalism, appreciation and pride in the country's  
5 national symbols that embody the ideals and traditions of the  
6 nation.

7           SEC. 2. The Balangay, otherwise known as the Butuan Boat,  
8 including all similar boats that may be discovered later elsewhere in  
9 the country, is hereby declared as the National Boat of the  
10 Philippines.

1           SEC. 3. All laws, decrees, orders, and rules and regulations  
2 contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby  
3 repealed or amended accordingly.

4           SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
5 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general  
6 circulation.

Approved,

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