

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 7534

BY REPRESENTATIVE ESPINO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 451

**AN ACT
DECLARING THE LIMAHONG CHANNEL LOCATED IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN A TOURIST
SPOT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Limahong Channel located in the Municipality of Lingayen,
2 Province of Pangasinan, is hereby declared a tourist spot. As such, its development shall
3 be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations
4 governing the development of tourist spots.

5 **Sec. 2.** Within six (6) months after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in
6 coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority and
7 concerned agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan
8 containing, among others, the construction, installation and maintenance of such
9 appropriate facilities and infrastructure that shall encourage tourism in the area, including
10 a tourism center, to be known as the Limahong Channel Tourism Center, that shall serve
11 as a museum to display artifacts and historic articles related to the Limahong settlement

1 in the area: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the preservation and
2 conservation of the natural beauty and historical significance thereof.

3 **Sec. 3.** The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the development plan
4 and incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the ensuing calendar
5 year.

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

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

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

13 Approved,