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House Bill No. 7733

Introduced by Representative Carl Nicolas C. Cari

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN BAYBAY CITY, PROVINCE OF
LEYTE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the Bureau of
2 Fisheries and Aquatic Resources of the Department of Agriculture (BFAR-DA), a multi-
3 species marine hatchery in Baybay City, Province of Leyte.

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5 SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall transfer the management of the multi-species marine
6 hatchery to the local government of Baybay City within two (2) years after its construction
7 through a memorandum of agreement. It shall implement a training and phasing-in program
8 for local government personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.

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10 SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's program the
11 establishment of the multi-species marine hatchery in Baybay City, Province of Leyte, the
12 funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local
13 government unit concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount
14 deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.

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16 Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of
17 Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and
18 the eventual transfer of the management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the local
19 government of Baybay City.

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

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24 Approved,

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