



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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BY REPRESENTATIVES ARAGONES, BASCUG, UY (J.), VIOLAGO, GATO, CABREDO, CELESTE AND SAULOG, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 925

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**AN ACT  
DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF NAGCARLAN, PROVINCE OF LAGUNA,  
AN ECOTOURISM ZONE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

1           **SECTION 1.** The Municipality of Nagcarlan, Province of Laguna, is hereby declared  
2 an ecotourism zone. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the Department of  
3 Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of ecotourism  
4 zones.

5           **SEC. 2.** Within six (6) months after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in coordination  
6 with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) and other concerned  
7 agencies of the government, shall prepare a development plan that shall include the  
8 construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure that  
9 shall enhance ecotourism in the area: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the  
10 preservation of the natural beauty and historic heritage of the area.

11           **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the tourism development  
12 plan and incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the ensuing calendar  
13 year.

1           **SEC. 4.** The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program the  
2 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General  
3 Appropriations Act, and shall augment such allocation with internally generated funds of the  
4 DOT.

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

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

9           Approved,