



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8939

BY REPRESENTATIVES YAP (C.) AND CARI

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A FISH PORT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAINT BERNARD,
PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN 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 Department of
2 Agriculture, through the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), a fish port in the
3 Municipality of Saint Bernard, Province of Southern Leyte.

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5 SEC. 2. Prior to the establishment of the fish port, the PFDA shall conduct a full-scale
6 feasibility study in support of its construction to comply with the requirements of the
7 Department of Budget and Management.

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9 Within two (2) years after the construction of the fish port, the PFDA, through a
10 memorandum of agreement, shall transfer its management to the local government unit
11 concerned. It shall implement a training and phasing-in program for local government
12 personnel on the management and operation of the fish port.

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14 SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department's programs the
15 conduct of the feasibility study and the consequent establishment of a fish port in the
16 Municipality of Saint Bernard, Province of Southern Leyte, the funding of which shall be
17 included in the General Appropriations Act. The local government unit concerned shall set
18 aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the
19 operationalization of the fish port.

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21 SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of
22 Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and

1 the eventual transfer of the fish port with ice plant and cold storage facilities to the local
2 government of the Municipality of Saint Bernard.

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

Approved,