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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 567

Submitted by the Committee on Tourism on OCT 20, 2020
Re: House Bill No. 7905
Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 5770
Sponsors: Representatives Sol Aragones and Michael B. Gorriceta

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Tourism to which was referred House Bill No. 5770, introduced by Representative Michael B. Gorriceta, entitled:

AN ACT
DECLARING THE YEAR 2020 AS “NATIONAL GOLF TOURISM YEAR” IN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY

has considered the same and recommends that the attached House Bill No. 7905, entitled:

AN ACT
DECLARING THE YEAR 2020 AS “NATIONAL GOLF TOURISM YEAR” IN THE PHILIPPINES


Respectfully submitted,

REP. SOL ARAGONES
Chairperson
Committee on Tourism

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House Bill No. 7905
(In Substitution of House Bill No. 5770)


AN ACT
DECLARING THE YEAR 2020 AS “NATIONAL GOLF TOURISM YEAR” IN THE PHILIPPINES

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

SECTION 1. The year 2020 is declared as “National Golf Tourism Year” in the Philippines, in recognition of the growing interest in the sport, the world-class and unique golf courses and enclaves located all over the country, and the potential benefits expected as golf turns to be a major niche in sports tourism. Due to its potentially large economic trickle-down effect, golf is likewise recognized as a high value sport.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Department of Tourism shall, in coordination with concerned agencies of the government, local government units and recognized golf clubs in the Philippines, spearhead the celebration of “National Golf Tourism Year” throughout the country, to encourage the development of golf tourism and enhance its popularity among sports enthusiasts.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,
FACT SHEET

House Bill No. 7905
(In substitution of House Bill no. 5770)

AN ACT
DECLARING THE YEAR 2020 AS “NATIONAL GOLF TOURISM YEAR”

Introduced by: Rep. Michael B. Gorriceta

Committee Referral: Committee on Tourism

Chairperson: Rep. Sol Aragones

OBJECTIVE:

To encourage the development of golf as a niche of sports tourism in the country, enhance its popularity among sports enthusiasts in order to promote the Philippines as a premiere golf tourism destination.

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Declare the year 2020 as “National Golf Tourism Year” in recognition of the growing interest in golf as a major sports tourism activity, and the world-class and unique golfing courses and enclaves located all over the country;
- Enhance the potential benefits that can be derived from golf, which is recognized as a high value sport that can have a large trickle-down effect to the economy.

RELATED LAWS:

- Republic Act NO 9593, or the “Tourism Act of 2009”