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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 613

Submitted by the Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations on NOV 25 2020.

Re: House Bill No. 8081

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 6342

Sponsors: Reps. Leo Rafael M. Cueva and Eric Go Yap

Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 6342, introduced by Rep. Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina, Jr., entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BILIRAN, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 8081, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BILIRAN, PROVINCE OF BILIRAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”


Respectfully submitted:

ERIC GO YAP  
Chairman  
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House Bill No. 8081

Introducted by Gerardo “Gerryboy” J. Espina, Jr.

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A MULTI-SPECIES MARINE HATCHERY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BILIRAN,
PROVINCE OF BILIRAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

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

SEC. 2. The BFAR-DA shall, within two (2) years after the establishment of the multi-species marine
hatchery, transfer the management of the same to the Biliran Province State University (BiPSU) through a
memorandum of agreement. The BFAR-DA shall implement a training and phasing-in program for BiPSU
personnel on the management and operation of the hatchery.

The BFAR-DA and the BiPSU shall conduct continuing research and experimentation on the breeding
and production of marine species, especially as they apply to local conditions, to discover new methods and
technology that shall benefit the fisheries industry. Furthermore, they shall develop an extension program that
shall cater to the marginal fisherfolk on the propagation of high-value marine species.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department’s programs the establishment of
the multi-species marine hatchery in the Municipality of Biliran, Province of Biliran, the funding of which
shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The BiPSU shall set aside funds from any
available revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the hatchery.

Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the Department of Agriculture and the
BiPSU shall issue the rules and regulations on the establishment, supervision, monitoring, and the eventual
transfer of the management of the multi-species marine hatchery to the BiPSU.

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

Approved,