COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1023

Submitted by the Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations on ________________.

Re : House Bill No. 9534

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 6063

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. 6063, introduced by Rep. Roger G. Mercado, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FISH PORT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAINT BERNARD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 9534, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FISH PORT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAINT BERNARD, PROVINCE OF SOUTHERN LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 6063 with Rep. Roger G. Mercado as author thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

ERIC GO YAP  
Chairperson  
Committee on Appropriations

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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House Bill No. 9534  
(In substitution of House Bill No. 6063)

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Introduced by Representative Roger G. Mercado

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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:

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture, through the Philippine Fisheries Development Authority (PFDA), a fish port in the Municipality of Saint Bernard, Province of Southern Leyte.

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

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department’s programs the establishment of the fish port in the Municipality of Saint Bernard, Province of Southern Leyte, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The local government unit concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the fish port.

Sec. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the supervision, operation, monitoring, and the eventual transfer of the fish port to the local government of Saint Bernard.

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,