Mr. Speaker:

The Committee on Aquaculture and Fisheries Resources and the Committee on Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 8100, introduced by Rep. Emmanuel Billones, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AQUACULTURE FEED MILL PLANT IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PANAY, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 9622, entitled:

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN AQUACULTURE FEED MILL PLANT IN BARANGAY BAHIT, MUNICIPALITY OF PANAY, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 8100 with Rep. Emmanuel Billones as author thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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AN ACT  

ESTABLISHING AN AQUACULTURE FEED MILL PLANT IN BARANGAY BAHIT, MUNICIPALITY OF PANAY, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ 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 (DA-BFAR), an aquaculture feed mill plant in Barangay Bahit, Municipality of Panay, Province of Capiz.  

SEC. 2. Within five (5) years after its construction the DA-BFAR, through a memorandum of agreement, shall transfer the management of the aquaculture feed mill plant to the local government units (LGUs) concerned. With the assistance of the Southeast Asian Fisheries Development Center Aquaculture Department (SEAFDEC/AQD), the DA-BFAR shall implement a training and phasing-in program for local government personnel on the management and operation of the feed mill plant.  

SEC. 3. The DA-BFAR shall develop an extension program which shall cater to marginal fisherfolk to educate them on new methods and technology especially on the production of feeds for aquaculture.  

SEC. 4. The Secretary of Agriculture shall include in the Department’s programs the establishment of the aquaculture feed mill plant in Barangay Bahit, Municipality of Panay, Province of Capiz, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act. The LGUs concerned shall set aside funds from any available local revenue in an amount deemed appropriate for the operationalization of the feed mill plant.  

Sec. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the passage of this Act, the Secretary of Agriculture shall issue the rules and regulations on the establishment, supervision, operation, monitoring, and the eventual transfer of the management of the feed mill plant to the local governments concerned.  

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

Approved,