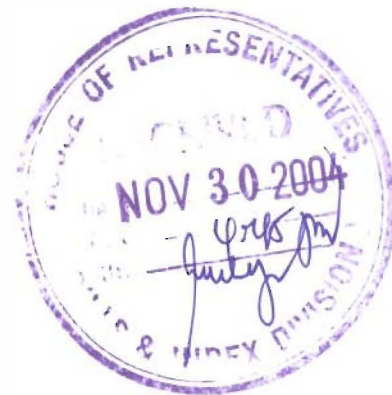


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HOUSE BILL NO. 3374

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Cattle Fattening Station and Agro-Feeds Experimental Farm in each of the Municipalities of Calabanga, Canaman, Ocampo, and Pili in the Province of Camarines Sur.

These locations have adequate tracts of grazing lands or feed lots which are suitable for small-scale cattle farmers. The establishment of Cattle Fattening Stations and Agro-feeds Experimental Stations will assure sustainable and viable operations that will maximize income of rural families.

The Cattle Fattening Stations and Agro-Experimental Farms proposed in this bill is therefore intended to operate as service stations to provide the facilities for small-scale cattle raisers who otherwise do not have the facilities and technology for improving the value of their cattle prior to its marketing.

Unlike other provinces where the technology of cattle fattening is well-established, the Province of Camarines Sur has yet to move forward in this aspect of the cattle business, i.e. beyond mere breeding into fattening. It is obvious then that unless these facilities are provided, the income from this particular industry will remain as it is, very much less than it could be.

In view of its significance to our National Food Production program and the program for economic recovery, early passage of this bill is requested.



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AN ACT
TO ESTABLISH A CATTLE FATTENING STATION AND AGRO-
FEEDS EXPERIMENTAL FARM IN EACH OF THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF CALABANGA, CANAMAN, OCAMPO
AND PILI IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established in each of the Municipalities of Calabanga, Canaman, Ocampo and Pili in the Province of Camarines Sur, a Cattle Fattening and Agro-Feeds Experimental Farm under the guidance and supervision of the Department of Agriculture, in coordination with the Provincial Government of Camarines Sur.

SECTION 2. The Provincial Government of Camarines Sur, in coordination with the Department of Agriculture shall take such steps as may be necessary to put into operation, the said cattle fattening farm for the purpose of demonstrating the appropriate application of the technology referred to herein, of cattle-fattening among inhabitants of the communities who may desire to engage in this industry based on the pilot demonstration farms to be

established under this Act. The Cattle Fattening stations and the Agro-Feeds experimental farms shall be created to serve as models for replication by private entrepreneurs in the municipality where located.

SECTION 3. The agro-feeds experimental farm as herein authorized to be established shall develop, formulate and propagate such varieties of agricultural products as may be most suitable for use as feeds for cattle fattening purposes to the cattle fattening station, to cooperatives and other farmers engaged in the business of cattle fattening.

SECTION 4. The Department of Agriculture shall take such steps to assist the project herein contemplated in order to ensure that a high quality of meat shall be produced taking into consideration consumers' demand for the desired taste and texture of meat.

SECTION 5. The establishment and operation of this projects herein contemplated shall be funded by the Priority Assistance Development Fund and/or other similar funds that may be available for allocation by the District Representative or by other legislators and/or such funds as may be granted by The Department of Agriculture and/or its attached agencies, or by the Office of the President chargeable against funds that shall be determined for purposes of the projects herein.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take immediate effect upon its approval.

APPROVED,