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HOUSE BILL NO. 3568

Introduced by the Honorable **Benjamin C. Agarao, Jr.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Province of Laguna is blessed naturedly by vast tracts of unperturbed but palatable lands which have remained idle for the past several years. These areas had become grazing lands for cattle farmers who are technologically ill-equipped in terms of developing and harnessing their chosen craft.

This bill seeks to establish a Cattle Fattening Station and Agro-Feeds Experimental Farm in the Municipality of Majayjay, Fourth District of Laguna.

The National Recovery Program that our government has consistently espoused finds appropriate solution if this bill becomes an absolute reality. The poor farmers who had already fallen to some archaic and unconventional methods of breeding their animals will greatly benefit from this endeavor. Reversibly, the government will find sustenance from these farmers if the same had become a worthy project.

Whereas in other areas of the country where cattle fattening is well advanced, in the Fourth District of Laguna, farmers had been overly dependent on what they have learned from their forefathers without in any way considering technological advances.

Approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT
TO ESTABLISH A CATTLE FATTENING STATION AND AGRO-FEEDS EXPERIMENTAL FARM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MAJAYJAY IN THE PROVINCE OF LAGUNA 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 the municipality of Majayjay in the Province of Laguna, 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 Laguna.

SECTION 2. The Department of Agriculture in coordination with the Provincial Government of Laguna 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 herein for 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 it is 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 out of the appropriations of the Department of Agriculture. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for each operation and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

APPROVED,