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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 2008

Submitted by the Committee on Natural Resources, Committee on Appropriations, and Committee on Ways and Means on 08 MAR 2012

Re: **House Bill No.** 5996

Recommending its approval, in substitution of House Bill Nos. 185 and 2123

Sponsors: Representatives Francisco T. Matugas, Joseph Emilio A. Abaya, Isidro T. Ungab, Henry Pryde A. Teves and George P. Arnaiz

Mr. Speaker:

The **Committee on Natural Resources, Committee on Appropriations, and Committee on Ways and Means**, to which were referred **House Bill No. 185**, introduced by Representative Henry Pryde A. Teves, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 7586 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992"

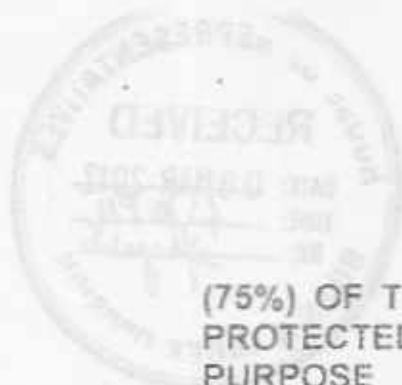
and **House Bill No. 2123**, introduced by Representative George P. Arnaiz, entitled:

"AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBER 7586 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992"

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have considered the same and recommend that House Bill No. 5996 entitled

"AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION BY THE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD OF SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT

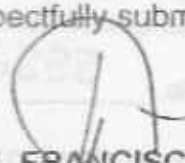


(75%) OF THE REVENUES ACCRUING TO THE INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS FUND (IPAF), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992"

be approved, in substitution of House Bill Nos. 185 and 2123, with Representatives Teves, Arnaiz, Matugas, Abaya, Ungab, Mandanas, Apacible, Castro, Ejercito, Escudero III, Lagdameo (M.) Limkaichong, Rodriguez (R.), Sarmiento and Trenas as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,


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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
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House Bill No. **5996**
(in substitution of HB Nos. 185 and 2123)

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES PRYDE HENRY A. TEVES, GEORGE P. ARNAIZ,
FRANCISCO T. MATUGAS, JOSEPH EMILIO A. ABAYA, HERMILANDO I. MANDANAS,
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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION BY THE
PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD OF
SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF THE REVENUES
ACCRUING TO THE INTEGRATED PROTECTED
AREAS FUND (IPAF), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE
SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE
KNOWN AS THE "NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED
AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992"

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

SECTION 1. Amendments to Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7586. –

Section 16 of Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the "National
Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992," is hereby amended to read as
follows:

"SEC. 16. *Integrated Protected Areas Fund.* – There is hereby
established a trust fund to be known as Integrated Protected Areas
[(IPAS)] Fund (IPAF) for purposes of financing projects of the
System. The [(IPAS)] IPAF may solicit and receive donations,
endowments, and grants in the form of contributions, and such
endowments shall be exempted from income or gift taxes and all

1 other taxes, charges or fees imposed by the Government or any
2 political subdivision or instrumentality thereof.

3 All incomes generated from the operation of the System or
4 management of wild flora and fauna shall accrue to the Fund
5 **SUBJECT TO THE RETENTION BY THE BOARD OF EACH**
6 **PROTECTED AREA, OF SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF ALL**
7 **THE REVENUE RAISED THEREFROM.** [and may be utilized directly
8 by the DENR for the above purpose.] These incomes shall be derived
9 from:

- 10 (a) Taxes from the permitted sale and export of flora and
11 fauna and other resources from protected areas;
12 (b) Proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas;
13 (c) Contributions from industries and facilities directly
14 benefiting from the protected area; and
15 (d) Such other fees and incomes derived from the operation
16 of the protected area

17 **THE FUND, INCLUDING ALL DONATIONS, GRANTS,**
18 **ENDOWMENTS FROM VARIOUS SOURCES AND OTHER**
19 **CONTRIBUTIONS SHALL BE DEPOSITED IN ANY GOVERNMENT**
20 **BANK WITHIN THE LOCALITY WHERE EACH PROTECTED AREA**
21 **IS LOCATED: PROVIDED, THAT IF THERE IS NO GOVERNMENT**
22 **BANK AVAILABLE IN THE LOCALITY, AN ACCOUNT SHALL**
23 **BE OPENED IN A GOVERNMENT BANK NEAREST TO THE**
24 **LOCALITY.**

25 Disbursements from the Fund shall be made solely for the
26 protection, maintenance, administration, and management of the
27 System, and duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMBs, in the
28 amounts authorized by the DENR **IN ACCORDANCE WITH**
29 **EXISTING ACCOUNTING, BUDGETING AND AUDITING RULES**
30 **AND REGULATIONS: PROVIDED FURTHER, THAT THE FUND**

1 SHALL NOT BE USED TO COVER PERSONAL SERVICES
2 EXPENDITURES.

3 **SEC. 2. *Separability Clause.*** – If any part of this Act is declared invalid or
4 unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the other parts of this Act.

5 **SEC. 3. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, acts, presidential decrees,
6 executive orders, administrative orders, rules and regulations inconsistent
7 herewith or contrary to the provisions of this Act are deemed amended, modified
8 or repealed accordingly.

9 **SEC. 4. *Effectivity Clause.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days
10 after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general
11 circulation.

12 Approved,

FACT SHEET

House Bill Nos. 185 and 2123

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE RETENTION BY THE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD OF SEVENTY-FIVE PERCENT (75%) OF THE REVENUES ACCRUING TO THE INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS FUND (IPAF), AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 16 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992"

Introduced by : **REP. PRYDE HENRY A. TEVES**
REP. GEORGE P. ARNAIZ

Committee Referral : **NATURAL RESOURCES**

Committee Chairperson : **REP. FRANCISCO T. MATUGAS**

OBJECTIVE:

- To give the managers of each protected area easy access to the locally generated funds for the implementation of the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586 otherwise known as the "National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992"

KEY PROVISIONS:

- Amends Section 16 of the NIPAS Act of 1992, by authorizing the local protected area management board to retain 75% of all income generated from the protected area.
- Limits the use of the retained amount solely for direct activities or projects in the protected area and shall exclude expenses for personal services.

RELATED LAW:

- Republic Act No. 7586
(National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992)