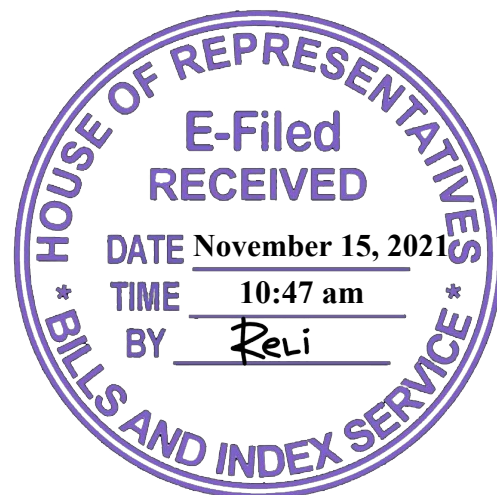


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to propagate pine tree plantations in the Province of Ilocos Sur.

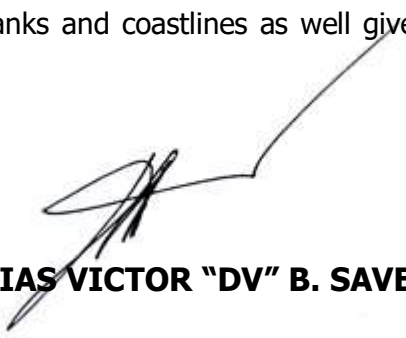
Apart from the aesthetic values, pine trees provide strong soil support to the area's where they are planted. This is evident in the case of the country's pine tree and summer capital, the city of Baguio.

Given its geographical condition, that of being situated in the northern part of the country where storms and strong weather disturbances are regularly occurring, pine trees could provide the necessary buffer.

Rising horizontally and not eating up so much ground space, pine trees are ideal tree species for propagation in Ilocos Sur.

Alongside local indigenous tree species, pine trees are environmentally friendly and aesthetic as well. Perennial typhoons hitting northern Philippines can be motivated in impact if pine trees are planted along mountain slopes, riverbanks and coastlines as well given the trees inherent resiliency.

The approval of this measure is earnestly sought.


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

Section 1. Short Title. – This Act shall be known as "*Pine Trees Propagation Act of 2021.*"

Section 2. Declaration of Policy. It shall be the policy of the State to exhaust efforts to address the enhancement of ecological and environmental concerns of the country to ensure the patrimony for this and the next generation.

Section 3. The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall take the lead in the implementation of the pine trees propagation program with the cooperation of the local government units concerned of the Province of Ilocos Sur.

Section 4. Funding. The amount of Fifty Million Pesos (P50 million) shall be allocated for the program. There after such amounts that may be required shall be charged to the National Greening Program/Enhanced national greening program of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Section 5. Separability Clause. - If for any reason, any part of provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts of provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 6. Repealing Clause. – All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, and rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 7. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,