

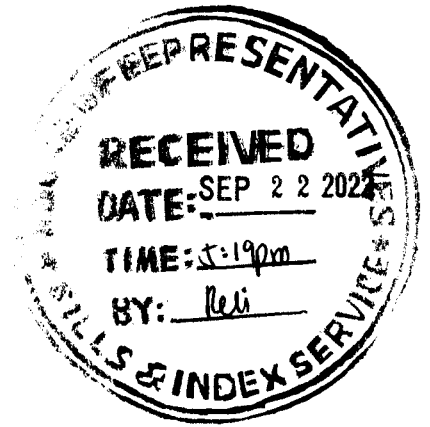


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House Bill No. 5108



Introduced by Representative Albert S. Garcia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure seeks to establish the Central Luzon regional office of the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) in Balanga City, Bataan. Bataan is home to various facilities servicing the maritime industry. As such, the province is well-suited to house MARINA's regional office.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this measure is earnestly sought.


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1 **AN ESTABLISHING A MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (MARINA) REGIONAL**
2 **OFFICE IN BALANGA CITY, PROVINCE OF BATAAN AND APPROPRIATING**
3 **FUNDS THEREFOR**
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5 *Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Philippines in*
6 *Congress assembled:*
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8 **SECTION 1. Creation of Regional Office** – There shall be established under the
9 Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) a Regional Office in the City of Balanga, Province
10 of Bataan.

11 **SEC. 2. Functions** – The Regional Office in Balanga City shall provide frontline
12 services of the MARINA, including, but not limited to, the processing and issuance of
13 certificate of competency, endorsement, proficiency and documentary evidence
14 required of seafarers; and processing and issuance of certificates of ship safety, public
15 convenience, registration and documentary requirements of ships, in the exercise of its
16 powers and functions under existing laws, orders, rules and regulations.

17 **SEC. 3. Appropriations** - The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this
18 Act shall be charged against the savings or current year's appropriations of the
19 MARINA. Thereafter, such sums may be necessary for the continued implementation
20 of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

21 **SEC. 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations** – The MARINA shall issue the
22 necessary implementing rules and regulations in accordance with the provisions of this
23 Act within ninety (90) days from the effectivity hereof. In the formulation of such rules
24 and regulations, the MARINA shall ensure that the processes and procedures in
25 providing frontline services shall be the most efficient and convenient way for its
26 stakeholders including, but not limited to, computerization and automation, and
27 elimination of redundant fees and charges.

1 **SEC. 5. Separability Clause** – If for any reason any section or provision of this Act is
2 declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections, or provisions hereof not affected
3 by such declaration shall remain in force and in effect.

4 **SEC. 6. Repealing Clause** – All existing laws, orders, decrees, rules and regulations
5 or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or
6 modified accordingly.