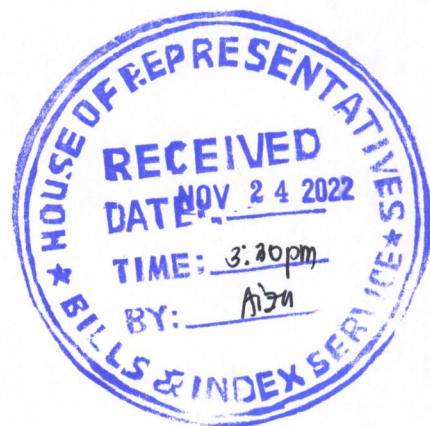


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

One of the emerging tourist destinations in the Municipality of Corcuera, Province of Romblon, is the Colong-colong Beach. This beach is known for its powdery white sand, crystal clear waters and its arc rock formation known as "Pasilagon."

Aside from the unique rock formation, the beach is a natural paradise, free from congestion and over development found in the more popular beach destinations. Furthermore, Colong-colong Beach exudes an atmosphere containing a perfect blend of serenity and an exciting seascape which makes it ideal for tourists, whether one seeks the solitary solace of nature, an adventurous outing, or simply a destination to celebrate life with family and friends.

It is believed that this beach has an enormous tourism potential which if tapped and developed properly, with due regard and care for its natural beauty, could be a source of revenue for local businesses, create jobs, and improve basic services for the community.

Thus, the passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
DECLARING THE COLONG-COLONG BEACH LOCATED IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CORCUERA, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON, A TOURISM
DESTINATION

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Colong-colong Beach located in the Municipality of Corcuera,
2 Province of Romblon, is hereby declared a tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, its
3 development shall be prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject
4 to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

5 **Sec. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the municipal government of
6 Corcuera shall, in coordination with the DOT and concerned agencies of the government,
7 prepare a tourism development plan that shall include the construction, installation and
8 maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in the area:

9 *Provided,* That said development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the
10 natural beauty and resources of the area: *Provided further,* That the implementation of the

1 tourism development plan shall be included in the budget of the municipal government of
2 Corcuera.

3 **Sec. 3.** The DOT shall assist the municipal government of Corcuera in the
4 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
5 capacity building. It shall also include the Colong-colong Beach in its national and regional
6 promotion programs.

7 **Sec. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
8 budget of the municipal government of Corcuera. The DOT may augment such allocation with
9 internally-generated funds.

10 **Sec. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the municipal government
11 of Corcuera shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the government,
12 promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

13 **Sec. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, presidential decrees and other issuances inconsistent
14 with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

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

17 Approved,