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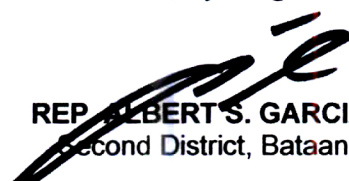
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

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.

  
**REP. ALBERT S. GARCIA**  
Second District, Bataan



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**AN ACT**  
**ESTABLISHING A MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY REGIONAL OFFICE IN**  
**BALANGA CITY, PROVINCE OF BATAAN, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS**  
**THEREFOR**

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

**SECTION 1.** There shall be established under the Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA) a regional office in the City of Balanga, Province of Bataan.

**SEC. 2.** The regional office in the City of Balanga shall provide frontline services of the MARINA, including the processing and issuance of certificate of competency, endorsement, proficiency, and documentary evidence required of seafarers; and the processing and issuance of certificates of ship safety, public convenience, registration, and documentary requirements of ships, in the exercise of its powers and functions under existing laws, orders, rules, and regulations.

**SEC. 3.** The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**SEC. 4.** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the MARINA shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to efficiently carry out the provisions of this Act. In the formulation of such rules and regulations, the MARINA shall ensure that the processes and procedures in providing frontline services shall be the most efficient and convenient for its stakeholders, such as through computerization, automation, and elimination of redundant fees and charges.

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

1           **SEC. 6.** All existing laws, orders, decrees, rules and regulations or parts  
2 thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified  
3 accordingly.  
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5           **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the  
6 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.