



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1666

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AN ACT
DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JOSE, POPULARLY KNOWN AS ISLA
DE CARABAO, 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 Municipality of San Jose, popularly known as Isla de Carabao,
2 Province of Romblon, is hereby declared a tourism destination. As such, its development shall
3 be prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and
4 regulations governing the development of tourism destinations.

5 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the Municipal Government
6 of San Jose shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural
7 Resources, and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan
8 that shall include the construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate
9 infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in the area: *Provided*, That said development
10 plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the
11 area: *Provided, further*, That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be
12 included in the budget of the Municipal Government of San Jose.

1 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the Municipal Government of San Jose in the
2 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
3 capacity building. It shall also include Isla de Carabao in all its national and regional promotion
4 programs.

5 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
6 budget of the Municipal Government of San Jose. The DOT may augment such allocation with
7 internally generated funds.

8 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Municipal
9 Government of San Jose shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the
10 government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

11 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, and other issuances inconsistent
12 with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

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

Approved,