



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 9487

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AN ACT
DECLARING LA MESA DAM ECOPARK, LOCATED IN BARANGAY FAIRVIEW,
QUEZON CITY, AS A TOURISM DESTINATION

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The La Mesa Dam Ecopark, located in Barangay Fairview, Quezon City,
2 is hereby declared a tourism destination. Pursuant thereto, its development shall be prioritized
3 and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations
4 governing the development of tourism destinations.

5 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the Quezon City Local
6 Government 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*

1 plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the
2 area: *Provided, further,* That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall be
3 included in the budget of the Quezon City Local Government.

4 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the Quezon City Local Government in the
5 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
6 capacity building. It shall also include La Mesa Dam Ecopark in its national and regional
7 promotion programs.

8 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
9 budget of the Quezon City Local Government. The DOT may augment such allocation with
10 internally generated funds.

11 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the Quezon City Local
12 Government shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the government,
13 promulgate the rules and regulations to implement this Act.

14 **SEC. 6.** If any provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the
15 other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

16 **SEC. 7.** All laws, rules, regulations, proclamations, executive orders, and other
17 issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or
18 modified accordingly.

19 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
20 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,