

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City



18TH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO **3297**

Introduced by Representative Michael L. Romero

EXPLANATORY NOTE

In the Republic of the Philippines, *Land Use Planning* serves as the development and zoning mechanism for the unorganized and de-organized areas, including communities and homesteads. These areas either have no LGUs or have chosen not to administer land use controls at the local governments. Alongside with carrying out its planning and zoning responsibilities, the issues permit's for smaller development projects, such as home constructions and renovations.

This House Bill seeks to create a comprehensive **National Land Use program**, to foster the certification of proposed land uses, and promote developmental activities to comply with the applicable land use standards and policies.

Thus, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL LAND USE AND
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representative of the Philippines
in congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE - This Act shall be known as the “***National Land Use Act of 2019.***”

SECTION 2. CREATION OF THE NATIONAL LAND USE PROGRAM –
There shall hereby be created a comprehensive ***National Land Use Program***,
to provide a holistic and rational policy for the sustainability of all land and water
resources.

SECTION 3. DECLARATION OF POLICY – It is hereby a declared policy
of the state to:

- Foster development of unorganized and deorganized land areas; and

- Promote controllership in land use representations. (including adjoining undeveloped areas). This unorganized and deorganized areas include coastal islands, that are important to the life of both the national and local communities.

SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - There is hereby authorized to appropriate the necessary funds to carry-out into effect the provisions of this act.

Therefor the budget shall be included in the General Appropriations Act (**GAA**) of the year following the enactment of this act into law and every year after.

The state shall hereby authorize the departments, agencies and bureaus concerned to re-align its appropriations, in the current year of the date of the effectivity of this Act to conform with its mandate and requirements.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If, for any reason or reasons, any portion or provision of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,