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CHAPTER IX

FINAL PROVISIONS

**SEC. 130. Appropriation** - The sum necessary to effectively carry out the provisions of this Act during the first year of implementation shall be sourced from the budget of the DA/BFAR and other agencies performing fisheries-related functions: Provided, however, That such amount as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of Section 79, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113 are hereby appropriated out of the unappropriated funds of the National Treasury. The Congress of the Philippines shall provide for the appropriations of the Department, the NFRDI and the Fisheries Scholarship Program for the succeeding years to be included in the annual GAA.

**SEC. 131. Repealing Clause** - Presidential Decree No. 704, as amended by the Presidential Decree Nos. 1015 and 1058, Presidential Decree No. 977, as amended, Executive Order No. 967, Series of 1984, Executive Order No. 116, Series of 1987, Executive Order No. 292, Series of 1987, Executive Order No. 473, Series of 1991 and other existing laws except Republic Act No. 7611, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Code, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

**SEC. 132. Separability Clause** - If any portion or provision of this Code is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other portions or provisions hereof, which are not affected thereby, shall continue in full force and effect.

**SEC. 133. Effectivity** - This Code shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or two (2) newspapers of general publication.

Approved,

JOSE DE VENECIA, JR.  
Speaker of the House of Representative

NEPTALI A. GONZALES  
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This Act, which is a consolidation of Senate Bill No. 1708 and House Bill No. 7366 was finally passed by the Senate and the house of Representative on February 19, 1998.

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