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TITLE 4

RURAL NON-FARM EMPLOYMENT

Chapter 1

**SEC. 96. *Declaration of Policy.*** - It is hereby declared the policy of the State to promote full employment. Economic history, however, shows that as an economy modernizes the number of workers employed in its agricultural sector declines. It is therefore necessary to formulate policies and implement programs that will employ workers efficiently in rural areas in order to improve their standard of living, and reduce their propensity to migrate to urban areas.

**SEC. 97. *Objectives.*** - Rural non-farm employment aims to:

- a.) promote a basic needs approach to rural development.
- b.) make rural workers more adaptable and flexible through education and training.
- c.) promote rural industrialization and the establishment of agro-processing enterprises in rural communities; and
- d.) increase the income of rural workers.