

**[ REPUBLIC ACT NO. 4041, June 18, 1964 ]**

**AN ACT TO DEVELOP THE DAIRY INDUSTRY**

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

SECTION 1. *Declaration of Policy.*—Recognizing the importance of the dairy industry on the development of the national economy, it is hereby declared to be the policy of the Government of the Philippines to promote and encourage the development of the dairy industry so as to achieve self-sufficiency, at least, in milk and dairy products and to improve the health and standard of living of the people.

SEC. 2. In order to provide financial assistance to persons engaged or to engage in the dairy industry, the Development Bank of the Philippines shall set aside and make available annually for a period of ten years the sum of ten million pesos to be loaned to processing plants, dairy farmers, farmers raising cows, goats and caraballa for dairy purposes: *Provided*, That for one-half of the said sums the maximum amount of loans granted under this Act shall not exceed the value of ten milking cows for each borrower: *Provided*, That no loan shall be granted three months before the election.

SEC. 3. To implement the policy enunciated in Section one hereof, the Bureau of Animal Industry shall have the following powers and duties;

- (1) To promote and develop caraballa, cattle and goat dairying;
- (2) To establish dairy breeding farms, herd improvement associations, artificial insemination centers in strategic places in the country to propagate dairy livestock for sale and/or distribution on a fifty-fifty sharing basis of the offspring to prospective dairy farmers, family-size farms and commercial dairy farms. The first born and ever other offspring thereafter shall automatically belong to the Government and the rest to the corresponding dairy farmers, family-size farms and commercial dairy farms: *Provided*, That the Government's share shall be sold or disposed of in the same methods;
- (3) To issue plans, programs and disseminate information relative to dairy farming in order to help dairy farmers in their ventures;
- (4) To extend technical assistance to dairy farmers and agencies connected with the development of the dairy industry;
- (5) To define and delineate dairy development districts and specify dairy