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House Bill No. **235**

Introduced by **HONORABLE RODRIGUEZ D. DADIVAS**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

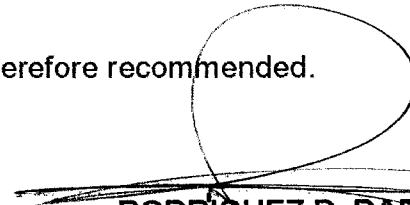
This bill seeks to convert the 3.5-kilometer Sta. Fe-Casanayan Road in the Municipality of Pilar, Province of Capiz into a national road.

This road network connects the large barangays of Sta. Fe, San Ramon and Casanayan in Pilar, Capiz. These coastal barangays are home to rich farming and fishing grounds of the municipality. Impassable during the rainy season, the improvement and proper maintenance of this uncemented road network shall benefit the fishermen and farmers of the area, as it will provide them easy access to the town proper and facilities transportation of their agricultural and marine products.

While the Province of Capiz recognizes the vital role of roads in facilitating trade and ushering further development in the area, it does not have enough capabilities to properly maintain its road networks. This bill therefore seeks to convert the Sta. Fe-Casanayan Road into a national road to ensure its proper maintenance given the availability of equipment and capability of the national government to provide ready funds for this purpose.

This measure is subsequent to the version which was filed during the Twelfth Congress and is adapted from the said version's second reading copy in the House of Representatives. The Twelfth Congress version of this bill was transmitted to the Senate but the insufficiency of time impeded its passage into law.

The immediate approval of this bill is therefore recommended.



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**AN ACT CONVERTING THE STA. FE - CASANAYAN ROAD IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF PILAR, PROVINCE OF CAPIZ INTO A NATIONAL ROAD
AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The 3.5- kilometer Sta. Fe- Casanayan Road in the Municipality of Pilar, Province of Capiz is hereby converted into a national road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the DPWH shall include in the Department's Program the improvement, maintenance and repair of the said road, the funding which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,