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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1400

Introduced by Representative Rafael P. Nantes

EXPLANATORY NOTE

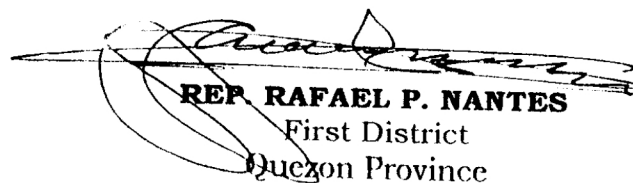
The Tayabas-Pagbilao Road is a provincial road situated in the southern portion of the 1st District of Quezon. It is the only major arterial road in the area linking the municipalities of Tayabas and Pagbilao, approximately twelve (12) kilometers down south and provides the best access from the neighboring municipalities of Lucban, Sampaloc and Mauban to the MSR-Daang Maharlika at Pagbilao without making the route via Lucena City. Reconstruction and improvement of the subject road has been continuously undertaken since 1998 to present thru the initiative of the undersigned in effect greatly improving its road alignment, traveled way upon concrete paving, drainage, slope and embankment protection structures. Since then, there has been a marked increase in the movement of commuters from each town paving the way for a more enhanced trade and commerce and faster flow of services.

However, without appropriate funding for maintenance, the road will slowly deteriorate. Without proper attention, the road will once again be in a state of disrepair. Thus the need to provide funds for the purpose of continuously maintaining the road at its best conditions for the general welfare of commuters plying the route.

The conversion of Tayabas-Pagbilao Road into a national road will greatly contribute to the fast economic growth and development not only of the towns of Tayabas and Pagbilao, but also the neighboring towns of Lucban, Sampaloc and Mauban. Economically depressed barangays which are traversed along the road will have better access to motor transport. Viability of trade and commerce will be greatly enhanced. Vital government programs and services on education, health, agriculture, energy, tourism and infrastructure can be delivered and administered at a faster grind, thus alleviating the plight of residents in the area who had been living below poverty line for years.

With its conversion into a national road, funds from the national government thru the Department of Public Works and Highways can now be channeled to accelerate the betterment of Tayabas-Pagbilao Road, and thus the hastening of economic growth of influenced areas. Foreign and local investors can now be attracted to invest in vital projects and other important undertakings.

Immediate approval of this Bill then is highly recommended and greatly urged.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE TAYABAS-PAGBILAO PROVINCIAL ROAD IN THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF TAYABAS AND PAGBILAO, PROVINCE OF QUEZON,
INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE
IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE THEREOF.

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

SECTION 1. The Tayabas-Pagbilao Road located within the territorial jurisdictions of the Municipalities of Tayabas and Pagbilao, Province of Quezon is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the completion, maintenance, improvement and expansion of this road shall be charged to the appropriations allocated for the Department of Public Works and Highways under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, the sum required for its maintenance shall come from the Annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,