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HOUSE BILL NO. 2546

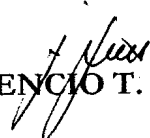
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the provincial road from the Municipality of Banga to the Municipality of Libacao in the Province of Aklan into a national road and appropriating funds therefore.

While the development of Eastern Aklan - where the Municipalities of Banga and Libacao are situated- forms part of the priority thrusts of the provincial administration of Aklan, it is constrained by its meager resources. Considering, however, that Eastern Aklan accounts for the province's major agricultural produce (rice, abaca, coconut and banana), it had become imperative to develop the support infrastructure, thereat. Foremost of this is the 25-kilometer Banga-Libacao Provincial Road, the end portion of which connects Aklan to the Province of Antique. At present, the maintenance and improvement of this provincial road is dependent on the limited funds of the provincial coffers. With the National Power Corporation's (NAPOCOR) long term development plan for the Timbaban Hydro Electric Power Plant Project in the adjoining town of Madalag, which could be reached by traversing the provincial road, the urgency of developing the same has become more pronounced.

In view of the foregoing premises, approval of this measure is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD FROM THE
MUNICIPALITY OF BANGA TO THE MUNICIPALITY OF LIBACAO IN THE
PROVINCE OF AKLAN INTO A NATIONAL ROAD
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION. 1. Conversion of Provincial Road. The Banga-Libacao Provincial Road in the Municipality of Banga, Province of Aklan and in the Municipality of Libacao, Province of Aklan, is hereby converted into a national road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

SEC. 2. Implementation. The amount necessary for the improvement of the said road shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its repair and maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. Effectivity. This Act shall take effect 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette.

Approved,