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House Bill No. 3258

**Introduced by Honorable Abdullah D. Dimaporo and
Alipio Cirilo V. Badelles**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Land Transportation Office- Tubod Extension Office located in the Municipality of Tubod, Province of Lanao del Norte into a regular district office.

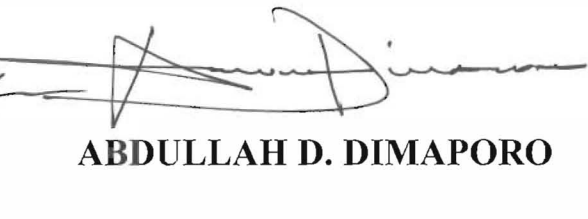
The LTO Tubod Extension Office in the Province of Lanao del Norte was established sometime in the mid-80s. Its Geographical Area of Responsibility (GAR) includes the Municipalities of Bacolod, Baroy, Kauswagan, Kolambugan, Tubod, Linamon and Maigo with Tubod as the site of its office. The extension office also serves clients coming from the neighboring towns of Baloi, Kapatagan and Karomatan, of the same province.

Reality, however, shows that the total population of the seven (7) municipalities being served by the extension office has tremendously grown since its establishment and is estimated to grow faster for the next five (5) years. In view of the significant increase in registration of vehicles and total collection of the Land Transportation Extension Office in Tubod due to the expanding economy of the Province of Lanao del Norte, there is an urgent

need to convert the same into a regular Land Transportation District Office to better serve its clientele.

The conversion of the Tubod LTO Extension Office into a regular district office is economically viable and highly supported by the local government and local leaders in the areas concerned. Furthermore, the proposed measure will create job opportunities for qualified constituents of the concerned municipalities for the required new plantilla positions complement to the new regular district office. On the other hand, there will be an adequate manpower requirement at the regular LTO Iligan City District Office that was affected since the creation of the extension office. It will likewise result to a more efficient and effective delivery of services to the public.

Consistent with the policy of the government to provide access to resources and services to build a just, humane and prosperous community of self-reliant and empowered people, approval of the bill is highly recommended.



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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE TUBOD EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE LAND
TRANSPORTATION OFFICE LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY
OF TUBOD, PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE, INTO A
DISTRICT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION I. The Tubod Extension Office of the Land
Transportation Office (LTO) located in the Municipality of Tubod, Province
of Lanao del Norte is hereby converted into a district office under the

supervision of the Department of Transportation and Communications and shall be known as the Tubod Land Transportation District Office.

SEC. 2. The officers and employees of the LTO Tubod Extension Office shall be absorbed by the District Office to such extent that it may be administratively feasible under this Act: *Provided*, That the officers or employees who have been employed in the LTO Extension Office for the past three (3) consecutive years shall have the right to choose among retirement, separation with pay, or absorption by the District Office: *Provided, further*, That nothing in this Act shall be construed to prevent a qualified and competent officer or employee who opted for early retirement or separation with pay from seeking reemployment: *Provided, finally*, That those officers and employees who cannot be absorbed by the District Office shall be entitled to such benefits accorded to separated or retrenched government employees, as provided under existing laws.

SEC. 3. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations for the Department of Transportation and Communications under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as maybe necessary for the operation and maintenance

of the District Office shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,