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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City, Metro Manila

13<sup>TH</sup> Congress  
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 3330



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Introduced by **Hon. TOMAS M. DUMPIT**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to convert the Naguilian Extension Office of the Land Transportation Office located in the Municipality of Naguilian, Province of La Union into a regular district office.

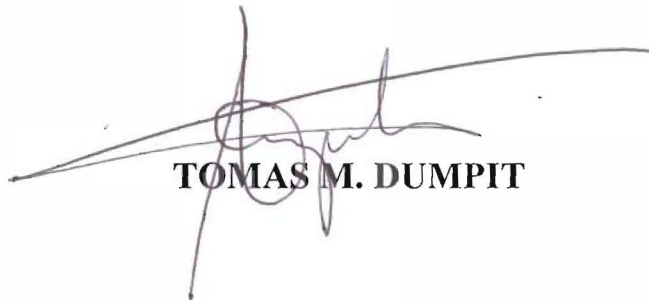
The LTO Naguilian Extension Office was established in May , 1994. The Geographical Area of Responsibility (GAR) includes the municipalities of Naguilian, Bagulin, Bauang, Burgos with Naguilian as the site of its office. At present, the extension office also services clients coming from the neighboring towns of Caba, Mt. Province, Benguet, City of San Fernando and some municipalities outside La Union. These municipalities compromise the southern and northern part of La Union with Naguilian as the center of flourishing trade, commerce and education.

Reality, however, shows that the total population of the four (4) municipalities presently being served by the extension office has tremendously grown since its establishment and its estimated office has relative growth since its establishment and is estimated to have a relative growth of 2.18% for the next five (5) years. Moreover the volume of registration, licensing, and law enforcement transactions handled by the date, the Naguilian Extension Office has increased demand for transportation needs. To date, the Naguilian Extension office has registered 18 motor vehicles and issued 22 licenses and permits for every 1000 population of the said municipalities.

The conversion of the Naguilian 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. Its conversion will mean jobs for qualified unemployed constituents of the concerned municipalities with the creation of new plantilla positions to complement the new regular district office. At the same time, there will be an adequate manpower requirement at the regular LTO San Fernando City District office that was affected since the creation of the LTO Naguilian Extension Office in 1994. It will likewise result to a more efficient and effective delivery of services to the public.

The need for conversion is imperative, pertinent documents which require verification from the approving authority could easily be processed and the application for or renewal of driver's license or registration of motor vehicles need not be sent back to the office for action, the same could be acted upon immediately. Thus, with the conversion of the extension office into a district office, such application, renewal, or registration will be expedited.

Premises considered, it is earnestly recommended that this bill be approved.



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**AN ACT**  
**CONVERTING THE NAGUILIAN EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE**  
**LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE LOCATED IN THE**  
**MUNICIPALITY OF NAGUILIAN, LA UNION INTO A DISTRICT**  
**OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF.**

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

SECTION 1. The Naguilian Extension Office of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) is hereby converted into a district office under the supervision of the Department of Transportation and Communication located in the Municipality of Naguilian, Province of La Union to be known as Naguilian Land Transportation District office.

SEC. 2. The officers and employees of the LTO Naguilian Extension shall be absorbed by the District office as it may be administratively feasible under this Act. Provided, That this 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 between retirement, separation with pay and absorption by the District Office; Provided, further, That nothing shall be constructed 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 Communication under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the operation and maintenance of the District Land Transportation Office shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,