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HOUSE BILL NO. **4463**



Introduced by HON. TRANQUILINO B. CARMONA, M.D.

AN ACT
CONVERTING THE BARANGAY QUEZON, CODCOD NATOYAY ROAD OF
SAN CARLOS CITY, PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Infrastructure projects are indispensable in propelling and attracting investments for countryside socio-economic development.

One of the most important road projects ever implemented in Northern Negros Island is the Translink Highway, an 87-km. national road connecting San Carlos and Bacolod Cities, and passing through Barangay Prosperidad of San Carlos City, a heretofore hardly accessible hinterland barangays. This road provided a junction for farm-to-market roads from agriculture-rich Barangays Quezon and Codcod. Moreover, the Translink Highway provided a much shorter alternative access from San Carlos City to Bacolod City, as compared to the 146-km. coastal route.

Road arteries interconnect the hinterland barangays to urban centers and provide easy access for agricultural products as well as facilitate the infusion of farm technology to farmers. Also, it opens opportunities for socio-economic development to far-flung barangay residents by bringing social services to the countryside, such as education and health facilities as well as economic productivity and food security.

Barangays Quezon and Codcod have a total population of 23,000. The sectional distances are: Quezon to Codcod, 5.5-km.; Codcod to Sitio Natoyay, 12.0-km.. This 17.5-km. stretch is now an all-weather road.

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

SECTION 1.0 The Barangay Quezon and Codcod are located at mountainous barangays in the City of San Carlos, Province of Negros Occidental has a total population of 23,000.

SECTION 2.0 The adoption of Barangay Quezon and Codcod into a national road to have infrastructure projects are indispensable to propel the economic growth is being projected.

SECTION 3.0 The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this act.

SECTION 4.0 The fund necessary for the implementation of the Act shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways in the General Appropriations Act for the Fiscal Year. Thereafter, such funds as may be necessary for the operation and maintenance of the road shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 5.0 This shall be take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED: