

**Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila**

**Thirteenth Congress
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House Bill No. 4877



Introduced by Honorable Arthur D. Defensor

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the conversion of the Dueñas-Carvasana-Calinog Road in the province of Iloilo into a national road.

Roads enhance economic activities as they promote mobility and accessibility of the people, thus opening a horizon of economic possibilities, better employment and commercial opportunities. Roads which have been established needs to be maintained and repaired when necessary to assure that their purpose are fully served.

The Dueñas-Carvasana-Calinog Road was established to promote economic growth and development of the province. It is the main road leading to different municipalities. However, the road has long been in need of repair and maintenance as it is one of the heavily used roads in the province. The provincial government of Iloilo cannot afford and adequately maintain the said road as it maintains 688.68 kilometers of provincial roads and 58 bridges of varied types in the entire province of Iloilo. There is therefore a need to convert this road into a national road so that badly needed repairs and maintenance could be undertaken by the Department of Public Works and Highways with the funding of the national government.

In view thereof, approval of this bill is strongly recommended.


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**AN ACT
CONVERTING THE DUEÑAS-CARVASANA-CALINOG NATIONAL
ROAD IN THE PROVINCE ILOILO 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. The Dueñas-Carvasana-Calinog Provincial Road in the Municipality of Dueñas to the Municipality of Calinog, Province of Iloilo is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The funds necessary for the conversion of the 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. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,