



Fifteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 6471

Introduced by Honorable Imelda Quibranza-Dimaporo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide for the construction of a national highway from the Municipality of Tagoloan, Lanao del Norte to the Municipality of Talakag, Bukidnon.

Roads play a major role in the economic progress of a community. The Philippine economy relies heavily on road transport as it provides access to business opportunities and increase the mobility of people and goods. A road network serves as communication link and hastens and enhances development of commercial and industrial centers.

The proposed construction of a national highway from Tagoloan, Lanao del Norte to Talakag, Bukidnon will provide significant benefits to residents in the outlying areas. It will protect Iligan City from attacks of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) from Lanao del Sur as subversive intruders could be blocked at the proposed national road by Philippine Army contingents from the 4th Infantry Division (ID) at Cagayan de Oro City, Army Brigade at Camp Maria Cristina in Iligan City, and another Army Brigade at Camp Malaybalay in Bukidnon. It will shorten the travel time between Bukidnon at one end and Lanao del Norte, Ozamis City, Misamis Occidental, and Zamboanga provinces and cities at the other end. It will also shorten the travel time between Cagayan de Oro City and Bukidnon at one end and Marawi City and Lanao del Sur at the other end. The proposed national highway will likewise facilitate the transport of agricultural products from Bukidnon to the Metro Iligan Regional Agro-Industrial Center (MIRAIC) at Linamon, Lanao del Norte and spur peace and development in Bukidnon, Cagayan de Oro City, Iligan City, Marawi City, Lanao del Sur and Lanao del Norte.

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


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PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL HIGHWAY
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THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALAKAG, BUKIDNON AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be constructed, under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways, a national highway from the Municipality of Tagoloan, Lanao del Norte to the Municipality of Talakag, Bukidnon.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriation of the Department of Public Works and Highways. Thereafter, such amount as may be necessary for the maintenance of the national highway shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,