

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

SIXTEENTH CONGRESS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1294



Introduced by Honorable Lucy Marie Torres-Gomez

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Palompon Diversion Road in the Municipality of Palompon, Province of Leyte into a national road.

The one (1) kilometer Palompon Diversion Road is located at the eastern part of the municipal proper of Palompon. It was constructed in the early 1980s as part of the Palompon-Isabela Road of Northwest Leyte. Originally built under the Philippine-Japan Highway Loan (Package IX) Project, the improvement on the said road was last implemented way back in the 1990s. The Fourth Engineering District of the Department of Public Works and Highways cannot rehabilitate nor make the necessary repairs and improvements due to the fact that the Palompon Diversion Road is not under their jurisdiction. The deteriorated road is an inconvenience to travelers, causes mechanical breakdown of motor vehicles, hampers mobility of persons, and delays the transport of goods and services. Due to this situation the progress of Palompon has been compromised.

The proposed conversion of the Palompon Diversion Road into a national road will greatly stimulate and promote economic development of the various barangays traversed by the road network. This will likewise increase commercial activity, spur business and financial movements in the neighboring municipalities and encourage new investments, thus promoting economic growth and progress in the area.

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


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE PALOMPON DIVERSION ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PALOMPON,
PROVINCE OF LEYTE, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Palompon Diversion Road in the Municipality of Palompon, Leyte, is hereby converted into a national road under the direct supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged against the appropriation for the Department of Public Works and Highways. Thereafter, such amount necessary for its maintenance shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved,