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House Bill No. **1444**



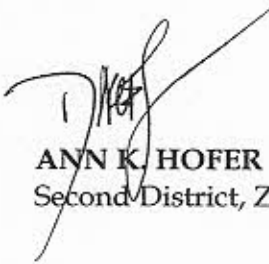
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks the conversion of the Surabaya-San Fernandino Road in the Province of Zamboanga Sibugay into a national road. This major road network connects the Municipality of R. T. Lim, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay to the Province of Zamboanga del Norte.

The development of the Surabaya-San Fernandino Road is essential to the growth of interior barangays, particularly in the Second Legislative District of Zamboanga Sibugay, which have tremendous socio-economic potentials. However, the provincial government is presently cash-strapped to effectively develop and maintain the said road to enhance the flow of commerce, movement of people and the delivery of basic services. Thus, it is imperative for the national government to step in and assume this obligation, considering its vast resources and technical capability.

For these reasons, the approval of this Bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE SURABAY-SAN FERNANDINO ROAD TO
BOUNDARY OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE, CONNECTING THE
MUNICIPALITY OF R. T. LIM, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY
AND THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE, 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 Surabaya-San Fernandino Road to Boundary of Zamboanga del Norte connecting the Municipality of R. T. Lim, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay and the Province of Zamboanga del Norte is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program and improvement, maintenance and repair of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.