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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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H. B. No. 1661



Introduced by HONORABLE SCOTT DAVIES S. LANETE, M.D.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks for a conversion of JUNCTION MORNING, CATAINGAN – PIO V. CORPUS – ESPERANZA provincial road into a national road.

The aforementioned forty (40)-kilometer provincial road is connecting three (3) localities: the municipalities of Cataingan, Pio V. Corpus and Esperanza. Besides, this is the only road used by the people of the said agricultural and marine abundant areas in transporting their products to the commercial centers in the Province of Masbate.

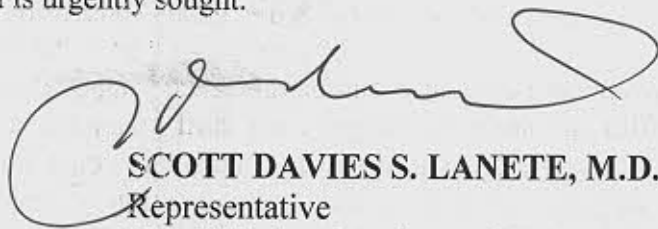
I believe that it is imperative to convert the said road into a national road knowing the fact that the Province of Masbate is entangled from the quagmire of economic difficulties. Placing this provincial road under the ambit of the national government jurisdiction certainly will succor the provincial government to pursue other public services by using its limited source of fund.

It should also be noted that the Masbate Province, aside from being tagged as one of the poorest among the depressed provinces in the country, is a regular recipient of typhoons that cause large scale of infrastructure destruction, affecting mostly the road networks.

Evidently, the province's anemic coffer is not in a financial position to cause the maintenance, rehabilitation and repair of frequently destroyed access roads, causing undue suffering to our people and even affecting economic upheaval.

On this quest, I believe that such conversion will be a big relief to our despondent province in the struggle to extricate from the bondage of poverty.

Hence, approval on this bill is urgently sought.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE JUNCTION MORNING,
CATAINGAN – PIO V. CORPUS – ESPERANZA PROVINCIAL ROAD,
PROVINCE OF MASBATE INTO A NATIONAL ROAD
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Junction Morning, Cataingan – Pio V. Corpus – Esperanza Provincial Road, Province of Masbate is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the maintenance, improvement and repair of said road shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,