

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

Sixteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1722



Introduced by Honorable Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the provincial roads in the island Municipality of Pres. Garcia, Province of Bohol, into national roads. It has been approved in the House of Representatives and in the Senate Committee on Public Works and Highways in the 15th Congress.

The roads proposed to be converted into national roads lead to the Pres. Garcia municipal wharf and the strategic Popoo barge landing facility which links the island municipality of Pres. Garcia with the mainland of the province of Bohol thru Tapal Wharf in Ubay (Bohol), Cebu City, Bato (Leyte) and Maasin City (Southern Leyte), thereby enhancing commerce and industry therein.

The provincial roads to be nationalized are the Popoo-Tugas road with a length of 12.70 kilometers; Pitogo-Aguining road measuring 6.50 kilometers; and the Villa Milagrosa- San Vicente-Pitogo (Poblacion) diversion road with a distance of 3.88 kilometers for a total of 23.08 kilometers.

The roads lead also the vital fishport of Aguing, Pres. Garcia, Bohol.

The roads urged to be nationalized traverse through productive agricultural lands in the island municipality. The agricultural land therein is planted rice, corn, cassava, banana, romblon, coconuts and rootcrops, among others.

The municipal government of Pres. Garcia has strongly militated for the road nationalization in order that it can properly maintained at all times since passenger vehicles can now travel regularly in the route as the wharves in Tapal, Ubay and Popoo, Pres. Garcia are already operational with regular seacrafts plying thereto. The provincial government, with the support of the Pres. Garcia LGU, has secured the road right of way required for a national highway.

The roads also give convenience and offer safe highways for the travelling public and easy mobility of cargoes and essential commodities.

The conversion of the roads into national highways will hasten the economic development of the island town.

Hence, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE INTERCONNECTED ROADS, NAMELY: POPOO – TUGAS,
PITOGO – AGUINING AND VILLA MILAGROSA – SAN VICENTE – PITOGO, ALL IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF PRES. GARCIA, PROVINCE OF BOHOL AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. The interconnected roads, namely: Popoo – Tugas, Pitogo – Aguing and Villa Milagrosa – San Vicente – Pitogo, all in the Municipality of Pres. Garcia, Province of Bohol are hereby converted into national roads.

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

Section 3. This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,