

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1799



Introduced by Rep. Erico Aristotle C. Aumentado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill provides for the construction of a bridge with access road to link up the municipalities of Talibon and Bien Unido in the Province of Bohol. The two strategic towns are separated by the navigable Ipil River.

The construction to be named Pres. Garcia Bridge – in honor of the most illustrious Boholano who became the fourth President of the Republic and first President of the 1971 Constitutional Convention – will shorten the route from Bien Unido, a former component of Talibon, to its mother town which is now the center of commerce and industry, education and health services in the area.

Apart from being the hometown of the late Pres. Carlos P. Garcia, Talibon hosts a port of entry with fast crafts and RORO vessels to Cebu and Northern Mindanao, the Garcia Provincial Memorial Hospital, the BIT International College, Blessed Trinity College, and the leading commercial establishments bannered by Alturas mall in the area. The bridge will also strengthen the tourism destinations in Talibon and Bien Unido towns as well as increase the commercial intercourse between the two municipalities and neighboring towns.

The distance presently from Bien Unido and Talibon town via Trinidad is about 20 kilometers but with the bridge, it will be reduced to about 5 kilometers. Consequently, the travel time will be reduced and the economy of scale in bringing goods and people between the two municipalities will be viable and will enhance the towns' economic development.

Wherefore, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRIDGE LINKING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF TALIBON AND BIEN UNIDO IN THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL TO BE NAMED AS PRES. GARCIA BRIDGE, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

Section 1. Short Title. – This act shall be known as the Pres. Garcia Bridge with access road construction across Ipil River to link up the municipalities of Talibon and Bien Unido in the Province of Bohol.

Section 2. Appropriation –The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the construction, said bridge, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 3. Effectivity. – This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

APPROVED,