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House of Representatives
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HOUSE BILL No. 2108



Introduced by Honorable Victor F. Ortega

EXPLANATORY NOTE

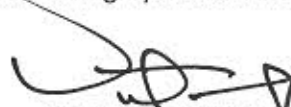
This bill seeks to convert the Rizal Avenue Provincial Road in San Fernando City, La Union into a national road.

Road projects serve as an important part of the development strategy for any region. In the wake of rapid economic growth and poverty reduction programs implemented by the government, the demand for excellent road networks increases. Roads are crucial to economic development. The mobility and relative ease in the transport of goods and prime commodities as well as the effective delivery of basic services are effected and determined by the conditions of the access roads.

Being a definitive factor towards progress, it is not enough that roads are just constructed. Roads must be regularly repaired and maintained. The Rizal Avenue Provincial Road needs appropriate funding for its maintenance in order that it will not deteriorate and eventually fall into disrepair, setting back whatever economic growth the road's opening had spurred.

With the conversion of the Rizal Avenue Provincial Road into a national road, funds from the national government, through the Department of Public Works and Highways, will ensure the improvement and maintenance of the road and sustain the socio-economic development in La Union.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is highly and earnestly recommended.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE RIZAL AVENUE PROVINCIAL ROAD IN
SAN FERNANDO CITY, LA UNION, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND
IMPROVEMENT THEREOF

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

SECTION 1. The Rizal Avenue Provincial Road in San Fernando City, La Union is hereby converted into national road under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

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

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

Approved,