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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 3491



INTRODUCED BY HONORABLE CHERYL DELOSO-MONTALLA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the 2.85 kilometer GOVIC Highway in the Municipality of Iba, Province of Zambales into a national road.

GOVIC Highway is a bypass road which serves as an alternate route for commuters who wish to avoid traffic within the heart of the Municipality of Iba when going to the northern towns of the Province of Zambales. While it serves its purpose to decongest traffic in the Municipality of Iba, GOVIC Highway is poorly maintained. As it has become a vital infrastructure in the transport of goods of farming communities of its surrounding barangays and municipalities, the only viable solution to guarantee that necessary fund for its maintenance and expansion is provided is by converting it into a national road. The conversion of the GOVIC Highway into a national road will promote ecotourism and socio-economic development not only in the Municipality of Iba but also of the nearby municipalities in the 2nd Legislative District of Zambales.

It is in this light that this bill is being filed and immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE GOVIC HIGHWAY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF IBA, PROVINCE
OF ZAMBALES INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Govic Highway in the Municipality of Iba, Province of Zambales with a length of 2.85 kilometers is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the implementation and maintenance of the said road shall be charged against the budget of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for its repair and maintenance 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*.

Approved,