

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Bill No. **3741**

Introduced by HON. ALETA C. SUAREZ

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article XII Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution states that:

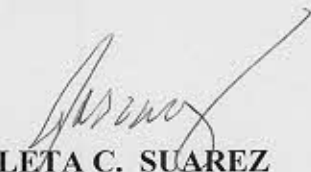
The goals of the national economy are a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income, and wealth; a sustained increase in the amount of goods and services produced by the nation for the benefit of the people; and an expanding productivity as the key to raising the quality of life for all, especially the underprivileged.

In pursuit of national development objectives, it is imperative for the government to build infrastructure such as roads. Opening of new roads would lead to a lot of opportunities not only to contiguous municipalities but also to nearby provinces. It will provide great opportunities for trade and commerce between the provinces.

Presidential Decree No. 1894 provides that the grantee of the franchise has the right and privilege to construct, maintain and operate the South Luzon Expressway from Nichols, Pasay City to Lucena City. After almost thirty years from its enactment, there is a need to amend the law to respond to the changes of time. This amendatory law will extend the South Luzon Expressway from Lucena City to Malicboy, Quezon, an additional 21.96 kilometers.

The extension of road network from Lucena City to Malicboy, Quezon aims to make travel to the Bicol Region faster and more convenient. This measure will decongest the traffic within and around the area. As a result, it will improve the mobility of goods and products from Quezon province and the Bicol Region. The faster and convenient travel would also translate to a growth of the tourism industry in these areas to the benefit of people living therein.

Considering the foregoing reasons, the passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 1 (b) OF PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1894

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

SECTION 1. *Amendatory Provision.* – Section 1 (b) of Presidential Decree No. 1894 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“(b) the South Luzon Expressway
from Nichols, Pasay City
(Station 10 + 540) to **MALICBOY**, Quezon”

SECTION 2. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision, or part hereof is held invalid or unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision not otherwise affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 3. *Repealing Clause.* – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to or inconsistent with, the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified, or amended accordingly.

SECTION 4. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved