

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila
SIXTEENTH CONGRESS
FIRST REGULAR SESSION
HOUSE BILL NO. 4020



Introduced by **Honorable Oscar "Richard" S. Garin, Jr.**
1st District, Iloilo

**"AN ACT CONVERTING BOTONG-CABANBANAN-BATUAN
PROVINCIAL ROAD INTO A NATIONAL ROAD,
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER
PURPOSES"**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The road section covered by this bill is Botong-Cabanbanan-Batuan Provincial Road in the Municipality of Oton, Iloilo. This road section has a length of 7.034 kilometers and connects Iloilo-Antique National Road with the Oton-San Miguel National Road.

This is a vital road section as it connects at least eight (8) barangays of Oton, Iloilo, all of which produce immense quantities of agricultural products and farm animals to two national highways as enumerated above. Thus, upgrading and constant maintenance of this road section will invariably engender an increased productivity considering that producers will have access to an all-weather road network.

This proposed measure is also premised on the plenary power of the Congress of the Republic of the Philippines as enshrined in Section 1, Article VI of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines, thus:

"Section 1. The legislative power shall be vested in the Congress of the Philippines which shall consist of a Senate and a House of Representatives, except to the extent reserved to the people by the provision on initiative and referendum."

Broadly stated, the power Congress to legislate is all-encompassing, limited only by our constitution. Thus, the proponent respectfully prays that this proposed legislation be given due consideration.



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

Section 1. The provincial road section in the Province of Iloilo identified as Botong-Cabanbanan-Batuan Provincial Road is hereby converted into a national road.

Section 2. Repealing Clause – All laws, issuances or any party thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,