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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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HOUSE BILL NO. 4078



Introduced by **HON. ELMER E. PANOTES**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

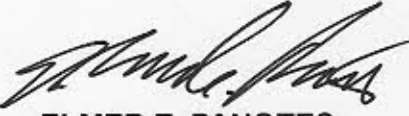
This bill seeks to convert the Camarines Norte South Coastal Road going to Camarines Sur classified as provincial road into a National Secondary Road. It starts at Daang Maharlika junction in the Municipality of Basud from Km. 347+312 going to the coastal barangay of Mangcamagong, Municipality of Basud, and continues to other coastal barangays of the Municipality of Mercedes and ends at Lanot Creek, Barangay Lanot, Municipality of Mercedes, which is the provincial boundary between Camarines Norte-Camarines Sur.

The Basud junction from Daang Maharlika to Lanot Creek, Mercedes, is a thirty seven (37) kilometer stretch of gravel roadway traversing virgin forests and coastal barangays that lay parallel to the San Miguel Bay and can be developed into picnic groves, retreat and beach resorts where one can commune with nature. This area is practically untouched and should be developed to enhance its tourism, agriculture and fishing industry and address its insurgency problem. It is imperative that its ecological balance be maintained. This road likewise leads to tourist destinations like Lanot Soda Spring, Lanot Beach, Mangcamagong Beach, Colasi Falls and Mercedes Group of Islands including Canton Cave, all of which have been certified by the Dept. of Tourism as included in the Central Tourism Cluster Projects.

The existing roadway is in a state of disrepair because the provincial government cannot provide the necessary funds for its maintenance. During the rainy season, it is practically impassable.

This bill was first filed in the 15th Congress, was approved in both houses but eventually vetoed by the President due to technicalities. So, after thorough review and technical modifications, this bill is being re-filed for the same worthy purpose it will serve to the 2nd District of Camarines Norte.

It is therefore in this light that the early approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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BY REPRESENTATIVE ELMER E. PANOTES

AN ACT CONVERTING THE ROAD WHICH STARTS AT THE DAANG MAHARLIKA JUNCTION IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BASUD JUNCTION FROM KILOMETER 347+312 GOING TO THE COASTAL BARANGAY OF MANGCAMAGONG, MUNICIPALITY OF BASUD, AND CONTINUES TO OTHER COASTAL BARANGAYS OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MERCEDES AND ENDS AT LANOT CREEK, BARANGAY LANOT, MUNICIPALITY OF MERCEDES, WHICH IS THE PROVINCIAL BOUNDARY BETWEEN CAMARINES NORTE-CAMARINES SUR INTO A NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD

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

SECTION 1. The road which starts at the Daang Maharlika junction in the Municipality of Basud from Km.347+312 going to the costal barangay of Mangcamagong, Municipality of Basud, and ends at Lanot Creek, Lanot, Municipality of Mercedes, which is the provincial boundary between Camarines Norte- Camarines Sur, is hereby converted into a national secondary road.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,