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HOUSE BILL NO. **4521**



INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE RUBY M. SAHALI

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Tarawakan – Marang-Marang Road from provincial road to national road.

Tarawakan and Marang-Marang are two very important agricultural barangays. The former is at the northern edge of Bongao Municipality and the latter at the southern tip of Languyan Municipality. They produce agricultural products that are brought to the commercial capital, Bongao.

To facilitate exchange of goods and movement of people to and from the two barangays (and the two municipalities, Panglima Sugala and Languyan, as well) and to all the other adjacent barangays, including Barangay Bongao Poblacion, the Tarawakan – Marang-Marang Road was constructed. It is a provincial road, although, it may form part of the so-called Tawi-Tawi Road Network.

The road is presently in poor condition, with most of its components still unpaved or not yet safely passable. There is a need to repair or rehabilitate the road and or upgrade it to national standard. And it is only in this way that the road could better serve the good people of Tarawakan and Marang-Marang.

The Provincial Government has not enough funds for the road construction, even for road maintenance. It has to ask for help from the national government. By converting the road to a national road, the necessary funding could be had through appropriations in the GAA that Congress approves.

Passage of this measure is earnestly requested.


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**AN ACT CONVERTING TARAWAKAN – MARANG-MARANG ROAD AS A
NATIONAL ROAD**

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

SECTION 1. The 12 kilometer Tarawakan – Marang-Marang Road in the Province of Tawi-Tawi is hereby converted into a national road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the improvement of said road shall be charged to the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways 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 a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.