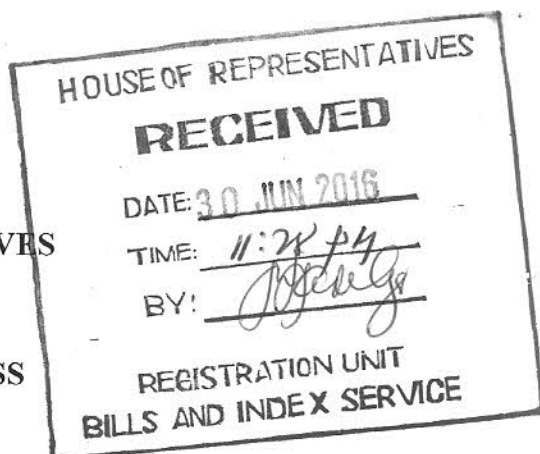


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HOUSE BILL NO. 700



Introduced by HON. SANDRA Y. ERIGUEL, M.D.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill, which was previously filed in the 16th Congress, seeks to convert the Anduyan-Rizal-San Pascual-Asin Road from a Provincial Road to a National Secondary Road and to provide funds for its improvement, repair and maintenance.

The Province of La Union, being situated between the West Philippine Sea to the left and the Cordillera mountain ranges to the right, is highly dependent on new and well-maintained roads that serve not only as trade routes but as passageways to the beautiful and scenic tourist spots the region has to offer.

The conversion of the Anduyan-Rizal-San Pascual-Asin Road would hasten access of motorists from Tubao, La Union to Baguio City and Benguet, and vice versa, providing for a newer and more scenic alternative to Marcos Highway and the older Kennon Road. Moreover, this Road leads to the famous Asin Hot Springs and hence would boost the tourism in Asin, inviting more and more tourists not only from La Union and Benguet but from outside the region.

The passage of this Bill is of urgent concern primarily because the portion of the Road situated in the Province of Benguet was already converted into a Secondary National Road by virtue of Republic Act No. 10406, approved in March 19, 2013. The development that the said Republic Act entails in the Benguet part of the Road will prove futile should the La Union portion be not given the same consideration.

In view of the foregoing, the passage of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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**AN ACT
CONVERTING THE ANDUYAN-RIZAL-SAN PASCUAL-ASIN ROAD FROM
A PROVINCIAL ROAD TO A NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

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

SECTION 1. The Anduyan-Rizal-San Pascual-Asin Road in the Municipality of Tubao, Province of La Union is hereby converted into a national secondary road under the jurisdiction and supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

SEC. 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.

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

Approved,