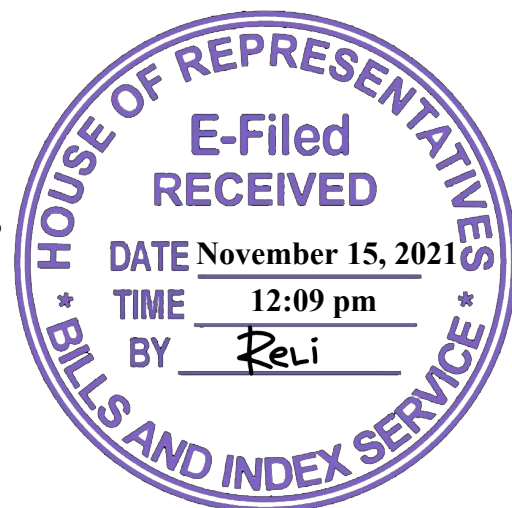


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

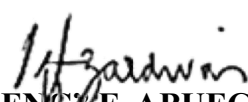
This proposed measure seeks to create a Land Transportation Office (LTO) extension office in the Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan. The LTO Extension Office in Rizal shall be under the supervision of the LTO Palawan District Office. Rizal is the largest municipality in the province of Palawan and is located approximately 207 kilometers southwest of Puerto Princesa City. It requires around four to five hours (4-5 hours) travel by land.

Moreover, considering the long distance that needs to be traveled by the Palaweños in order to secure a driver’s license and have their vehicles registered is not a walk in the park. Most of the applicants come from municipalities situated far from the city. For instance, the distance between Balabac, the farthest municipality in Southern Palawan, and Puerto Princesa City is approximately 357.2 kilometers which requires approximately 12 hours of non-stop travel.

There is a huge necessity to create an LTO extension office in the municipality of Rizal for the better performance and delivery of much needed LTO services to the public. It would lessen the burden of the current LTO District Office and at the same time help the Palaweños through an easier access to a viable means of securing land transport permits and licenses.

In order to bring LTO services closer to the Palaweños and ensure a more efficient and effective delivery of the same, the establishment of an LTO extension office in the municipality of Rizal is recommended.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING AN EXTENSION OFFICE OF THE LAND
TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF RIZAL,
PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established, under the supervision of the Land
2 Transportation Office (LTO) Palawan District Office, an Extension Office of the LTO
3 in the Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan.

4 **SECTION 2.** The Secretary of Transportation and Communications shall
5 immediately include in the Department’s programs the operationalization of the LTO
6 Extension Office in the Municipality of Rizal, Province of Palawan, the funding of
7 which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

8 **SECTION 3.** The Chairperson of the LTO shall issue such rules and
9 regulations as may be necessary to carry out the purpose of this Act.

10 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

11 Approved,