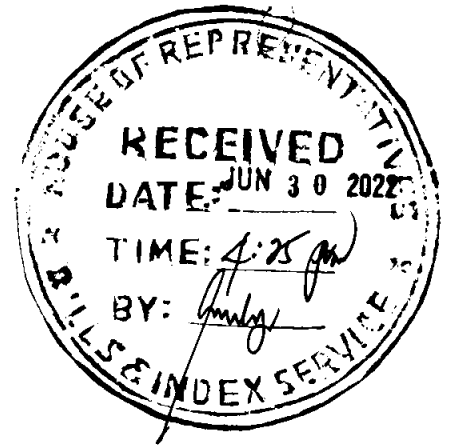


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House Bill No. 322



Introduced by Hon. **ALAN 1 B. ECLEO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Pursuant to Article XII, Section 1 of the 1987 Constitution, "The goals of the national economy are a more equitable distribution of opportunities, income, and wealth; a sustained increase in the amount of goods and services produced by the nation for the benefit of the people; and an expanding productivity as the key to raising the quality of life for all, especially the underprivileged." In keeping with this and the current administration's agenda of increasing competitiveness and ease of doing business to attract more economic activities in the country and help Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) sector, the Province of Dinagat Islands still aims to be a home that encourages local commercial activities despite its remoteness from public transactional services available in nearby provinces.

However, fourteen years have passed since the Province's creation but the complications and cost of travel remain to pose several obstacles to the people of Dinagat to reach services exclusively located in the neighboring province of Surigao del Norte. Worse, the spread of the Coronavirus in our neighboring province has isolated our Province from the mainland, making such services virtually inaccessible to our constituents.

The isolation of Dinagat Islands from public transactional services available in nearby provinces has shed light upon the necessity of transactional offices within the Province. As we encourage local commercial activity to sustain the local demand for goods and services, the need to establish Provincial Branches of National and Line Agencies has become even more pronounced. We believe that the abovementioned circumstances prove that it is high time for Dinagat Islands to have its own separate One-Stop-Shop of transactional offices in the province.

In line with this, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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ALAN 1 B. ECLEO

Representative, Lone District of Dinagat Islands

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**AN ACT ENSURING THE EXPEDITIOUS ISSUANCE OR RELEASE OF
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CLEARANCES, PERMITS, AND APPLICATIONS,
MANDATING THEREBY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ONE-STOP SHOP CENTER
IN THE PROVINCE OF DINAGAT ISLANDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. *Short Title* –This Act shall be known and cited as the Province
of Dinagat Islands One Stop-Shop Center

**SEC. 2. *Composition of the Province of Dinagat Islands One Stop-Shop
Center*** – Every national government agency, department, office, or instrumentality
including government-owned and controlled corporation mandated to issue any
requirement for the issuance or release of any clearance, permit, and application
shall actively participate in the establishment of the Province of Dinagat Islands One
Stop-Shop Center for whatever legitimate purpose or activity for the benefit of the
people. The composition of the One Stop-Shop shall include but shall not be limited
to the following:

- 1) Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR);
- 2) Social Security System (SSS);
- 3) Government Service Insurance System (GSIS);
- 4) Home Development Mutual Fund (Pag-IBIG Fund)
- 5) Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth)

Such one stop-shop center shall be established in the Province of Dinagat
Islands.

The Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT) and other relevant agencies are hereby mandated to provide technical assistance to ensure the expeditious issuance or release of any such requirement and subsequent clearance, permit, and application.

SEC. 3. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* – Within 60 days from its effectivity, the Office of the President shall issue the necessary implementing rules and regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act and relevant laws.

SEC. 4. *Funding Requirement.* – The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 5. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,