

NINETEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
H.B. No. 1353

Introduced by **Representative TEODORICO "NONONG" T. HARESCO, JR.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Province of Aklan is presently being served by only one district engineering office of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) that is serving the two (2) legislative districts of the Province.

The Second District of Aklan is a new legislative district which was created by virtue of Republic Act 11077 otherwise known as an "Act Reapportioning the Province of Aklan into Two (2) Legislative Districts" signed by President Rodrigo Duterte on September 14, 2018. Considering the inadequacy of just one district engineering office serving the two districts, this bill seeks to establish a separate district engineering office for the Western Aklan which consists of the nine (9) municipalities in the Second District, namely Buruanga, Ibajay, Lezo, Makato, Malay, Malinao, Nabas, Numancia and Tangalan.

The creation of another district engineering office dedicated for the Second District of Aklan will address undue delays in the implementation of infrastructure projects and programs which hinder the development and growth of the district. This office will be adequately staffed which means that it can effectively and efficiently handle all the public works projects in the district expeditiously.

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


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING THE SECOND DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE
IN THE PROVINCE OF AKLAN 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 Department
2 of Public Works and Highways, the district engineering office located in the Municipality
3 of Tangalan, Province of Aklan, to be known as the Second District Engineering Office.
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5 **SEC. 2.** The Second District Engineering Office shall serve the municipalities in the
6 Second District, namely Buruanga, Ibajay, Lezo, Makato, Malay, Malinao, Nabas, Numancia
7 and Tangalan.
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9 **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the
10 Department's program the operationalization of the Second District Engineering Office of
11 Aklan Province, the funding of which shall be included in the Annual General
12 Appropriations Act.
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14 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its
15 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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17 *Approved,*