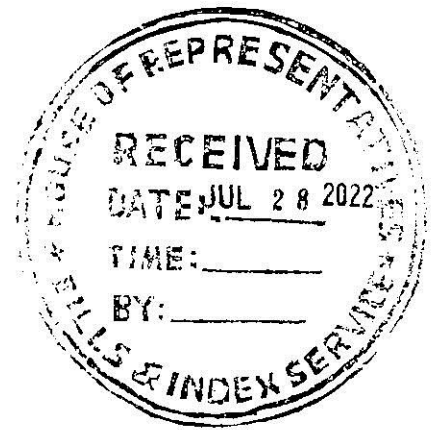


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House Bill No. **2641**



Introduced by Representative Maria Rachel J. Arenas

AN ACT CONVERTING THE FIVE AND EIGHTY-ONE HUNDREDTHS - KILOMETER (5.81 KM.) PROVINCIAL ROAD FROM BARANGAY BUENLAG TO BARANGAY MACABITO, MUNICIPALITY OF CALASIAO, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill seeks to convert the provincial road from Barangay Buenlag to Barangay Macabito in the Municipality of Calasiao, Province of Pangasinan, into a national road. The provincial roads of Barangays Buenlag and Macabito are sandwiched between the national roads of San Carlos-Calasiao on one end, and Bayambang-Malasiqui-Santa Barbara on the other end. The town of Calasiao is a first class municipality in the Third District with a population of 100,471. The combined population of Barangays Buenlag and Macabito is 12,676.

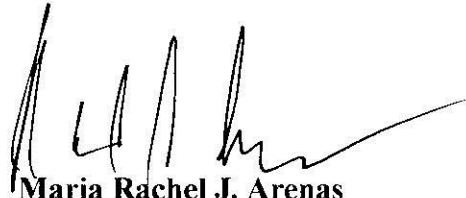
The provincial road from Barangay Buenlag to Barangay Macabito is connected to the national roads at both ends, located at Barangay Mancup, Municipality of Calasiao and Barangay Bogtong, Municipality of Malasiqui. This road is the only directly entrance and exit routes for the inhabitants of the area.

Every year, the Municipality of Calasiao and Province of Pangasinan have been allocating funds for the repair and maintenance of the above-mentioned provincial road, which comes from its development fund. However, the amount is heavy burden to the local government.

Moreover, as the Province of Pangasinan continues to develop, many provincial roads have been intertwined with or sandwiched by newer national roads and bridges thus, there is a growing need for their integration of purpose, management, and identification through their conversion into national roads. We also seek to convert more provincial roads into national roads and bridges in order for the national government fund to cover the repair, maintenance, rehabilitation, retrofitting, improvement and/or reconstruction of the roads and bridges.

The conversion of this provincial road into a national road would immensely benefit the people of Municipalities of Calasiao and Malasiqui and City of San Carlos, Province of Pangasinan. This conversion will provide bigger budget for the repair, maintenance and/or reconstruction of said road line.

In view of the foregoing, the approval of this Bill is earnestly recommended.

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

SECTION 1. The provincial road of provincial road from Barangay Buenlag to Barangay Macabito of the Municipality of Calasiao, Province of Pangasinan, is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the improvement, maintenance and repair of the said road, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in two (1) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,