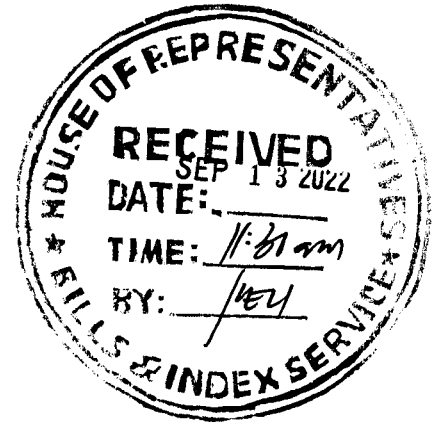




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HOUSE BILL NO. 4745

Introduced by Representative Shernee A. Tan-Tambut

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Mauboh-Patikul Higad Provincial Road in the Municipality of Patikul, Province of Sulu, into a national road. It is 3.73-kilometer stretch of a road which is part of the Sulu Island Circumferential Road.

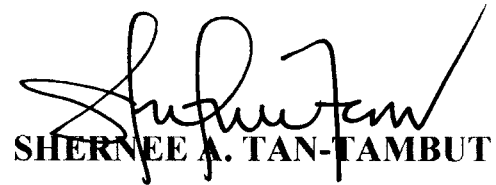
The Patikul is a third class municipality composed of 30 barangays. It is envisioned as “a fruit basket and tourism center of the Province of Sulu with God-fearing, self-reliant, educated, healthy and loving people living safely in a peaceful and orderly community with balanced ecology governed by righteous leaders”.

Improved rural infrastructure, most specifically roads, is key to rural development. It is a crucial pathway to poverty alleviation as it provides access to safe, affordable, and sustainable transport systems for people living in the area and its adjacent municipalities. It is of great necessity to improve the infrastructure of the area particularly the roads linking Patikul to other barangays and municipalities.

The conversion of the Mauboh-Patikul Higad Provincial Road into a national road will support the goals of the government to accelerate infrastructure investment, promote regional development, reduce people’s vulnerability, and advance human capital development under the Philippine Development Plan. This

will also boost the morale of the people in Patikul, Sulu to attain the peace and prosperity they truly deserve.

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



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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE MAUBOH-PATIKUL HIGAD PROVINCIAL ROAD
IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PATIKUL, PROVINCE OF SULU, INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Mauboh-Patikul Higad Provincial Road in the Municipality of Patikul, Province of Sulu, is hereby converted into a national road.

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program, the repair, maintenance and improvement of the national 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 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,