

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 7211



Introduced by Hon. Amparo Maria J. Zamora

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The City of Taguig is a first class highly urbanized city¹ located in the southern section of Metro Manila and northwestern shores of Laguna de Bay. It has a population of 886,722² local inhabitants with a steady increase of expatriates, real estate investors, foreign companies and working population from nearby cities, now residing in the City.

Known as the second largest business center in the Philippines with state-of-the-art development, it hosts the Philippine Stock Exchange Headquarters, at least 7,776 Registered Commercial and Industrial Establishments, 283 Universal and Commercial Banks, 10 Rural Banks, 127 Manufacturing Firms, 24 Cottage Industries, 15 Batching Plants and several hundred of business firms and establishments like prestigious International schools, shopping malls and restaurants with more than 2 Million square meter of Prime offices and properties.

With Taguig's high populace and thriving business district, it is only catered by one (1) LTO Extension Office to process all the new applications and renewals of licenses. As a result, the agency is often overwhelmed with a lot of clients – creating long queues and further delaying the delivery of service.

As such, this bill seeks to convert the existing LTO Extension Office in the City of Taguig established in the year 2000, into a Regular LTO District Office. For twenty-three years, the LTO extension office located at the Old Administrative Building, FTI Compound in Western Bicutan, Taguig, has been in operation but with

¹ LGU201.dilg.gov.ph

² Census of Population (2020). "[National Capital Region \(NCR\)](#)". *Total Population by Province, City, Municipality and Barangay*. [PSA](#). Retrieved July 8, 2021.

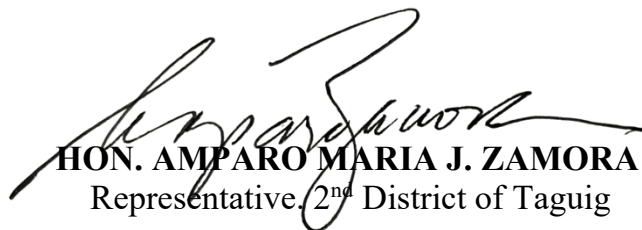
functions limited only to the renewal of motor vehicle registrations and other motor vehicle miscellaneous transactions. Being a mere extension of LTO Pasig District Office, it is also manned by staff from other District Offices, sometimes by personnel of the District Law Enforcement Team to augment the lack of plantilla positions.

The conversion of the existing LTO office into a Regular District Office would allow Taguigueños and other motorists to maximize other services offered by the LTO, such as the registration of motor vehicles and issuance of driver's licenses and permits. In doing so, it will effectively ease the difficulties in attending kilometeric queues in the application and registration of motor vehicles, licenses and permits in other LTO District Offices.

The conversion would also enable it to address the increasing number of transactions with an average of five hundred daily transactions, which the existing office no longer meets given the limited personnel and equipment. With the conversion, it will support the number of plantilla positions and complement the efficient delivery of services within the City of Taguig in a systematic manner. Thus, it will improve competitiveness and vitality in the delivery of public service and promote the development of a more robust and safe transportation of service, persons, goods and information among the transport sector.

The passage of the Bill essentially allows the LTO through its Taguig City District Office to further realize its vision as a government agency that showcase fast and efficient public service for a progressive land transport sector.³

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


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³ <https://lto.gov.ph/about-us/vision.html>

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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO)
EXTENSION OFFICE LOCATED IN TAGUIG CITY INTO A REGULAR
LTO DISTRICT OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The existing Land Transportation Office (LTO_ Extension
2 Office located in Taguig City is hereby converted into a Regular LTO District
3 Office.

4 **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Transportation (DOTr) shall immediately
5 include in the Department's program the operationalization of the LTO Extension
6 Office in Taguig City, the funding of which shall be included in the annual
7 General Appropriations Act.

8 **SEC. 3.** The Secretary of DOTr shall issue the necessary rules and
9 regulations within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act.

10 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the
11 Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

12 *Approved,*