

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

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 9031



Introduced by **HON. EDGAR M. CHATTO**
First District, Bohol

EXPLANATORY NOTE

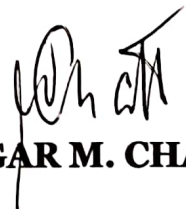
The Land Transport and Franchising Regulatory Board (LTFRB), under the Department of Transportation (DOTr), is responsible for promulgating, administering, enforcing, and monitoring compliance of policies, laws, and regulations of public land transportation services.

Among others, the LTFRB is in charge of granting franchises or accreditation and regulating public vehicles used for public conveyance such as Public Utility Buses (PUBs), Mini-buses, Public Utility Jeepneys (PUJs), Utility Vehicle (UV) Express Services, Filcab service, school services, taxis, Transportation Network Vehicle Services (TNVS), and Tourist Transport Services. It is also in charge of regulating and adjusting fares for public transport services, and prescribing or regulating the routes or areas of operation for these services. LTFRB is also the body which investigates and hears complaints against erring and disrespectful drivers as well as public transport vehicles that figure in accidents or incur violations.

The Province of Bohol's increasing tourism and economic activities necessitates the rise in the traffic of foreigners, tourists, business persons, passengers, and the general commuting public. Hence, justifies the presence of a permanent LTFRB office in the island to regulate the public transportation system.

The proposed LTFRB Provincial Office, apart from expediting processes and minimizing costs in accessing its services, will more importantly ensure the safety, accessibility and availability of public transportation system for the benefit of all who use public conveyances.

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


EDGAR M. CHATTO

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

NINETEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 9031

Introduced by **HON. EDGAR M. CHATTO**
First District, Bohol

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING
AND REGULATORY BOARD (LTFRB) OFFICE IN THE
PROVINCE OF BOHOL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. There shall be established a provincial office of the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) in the Province of Bohol, to be known as the LTFRB-Bohol Provincial Office, which shall exercise jurisdiction over the Province of Bohol and shall be headed by a provincial director. The LTFRB-Bohol Provincial Office shall be located in the City of Tagbilaran, Province of Bohol.

Section 2. Within sixty (60) days from the approval of this Act, the LTFRB, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM), shall determine the organizational structure and staffing pattern for the LTFRB-Bohol Provincial Office. The said organizational structure and staffing pattern shall be submitted to the Chairperson of the LTFRB and the Secretary of the DBM for approval.

Section 3. The Secretary of the Department of Transportation (DOTr) shall immediately include in the Department's Program the Operationalization of the LTFRB provincial Office in the City of Tagbilaran, Province of Bohol, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act."

Section 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.