



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

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HOUSE BILL NO. 1846

Introduced by Honorable Roger G. Mercado

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare Baybay - Maasin - Macrohon- Sogod Road, into a primary national road from currently being a secondary national road.

Currently, the Abuyug - Mahaplag - Sogod Road is the primary national road aligned with the Maharlika Highway. However, the treacherous and mountainous terrain of Abuyug always renders the said road impassable due to frequent landslides and floods. As a consequence, the Baybay - Maasin - Macrohon - Sogod Road takes the role of an alternate route despite being only a secondary road only. Right now the condition of this road is deteriorating amid heavy traffic due to its design as a secondary road only.

Also, the recent opening of Padre Burgos to Lipata Ferry Route has increased the flow of vehicular traffic along the said highway. Further, the volume of traffic will soon increase as the planned Leyte-Bohol Bridge will come to fruition.

It is now obvious to redevelop the Baybay-Maasin-Macrohon-Sogod Road to accommodate heavier vehicular traffic. By declaring this road as a primary national road, it will be now reasonable for the DPWH to channel the right resources for its redevelopment.

In view thereof, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT
DECLARING THE BAYBAY – MAASIN – MACROHON – SOGOD
ROAD INTO A PRIMARY NATIONAL AND APPROPRIATING
FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SEC. 1. The Baybay – Maasin - Macrohon – Sogod Road is hereby declared a Primary National Road.

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged against the appropriation for the Department of Public Works and Highways under the annual General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the improvement and maintenance of the said road shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,