

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

TWENTIETH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. **4538**



Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE MARK O. COJUANGCO**

AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF LINGAYEN-BINMALEY
BAYWALK ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LINGAYEN AND THE
MUNICIPALITY OF BINMALEY, ALL IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN
INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks the conversion of the Lingayen-Binmaley Baywalk, presently a 20-meter highway traversing the Municipalities of Lingayen and Binmaley in the Province of Pangasinan, into a National Road.

With a total length of 12 kilometers, the Lingayen-Binmaley Baywalk runs along the renowned Lingayen Gulf until the boundary of Barangay Sabangan, Binmaley, and now serves as a vital alternate route connecting the Municipality of Lingayen with other municipalities in the First, Second, and Fourth Congressional Districts of Pangasinan. Its strategic location has greatly contributed to the promotion of Lingayen as a major tourism hub and destination. The road provides convenient access to landmarks such as the Provincial Capitol Complex and the Limahong Channel Tourism Center, while also supporting local economic growth through food hubs and recreational areas that consistently attract both residents and visitors.

The steady increase in vehicular traffic and commercial activity in the area underscores the urgent need for regular maintenance, upgrading, and rehabilitation of the said road. However, the fiscal capacity of the Municipality of Lingayen remains insufficient to shoulder the financial requirements of such recurring infrastructure needs. Converting the Lingayen-Binmaley Baywalk into a National Road will place its maintenance and improvement under the jurisdiction of the National Government, thereby ensuring sustained development and safety.

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


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

SECTION 1. The Lingayen-Binmaley Baywalk Road in the Municipality of Lingayen and Municipality of Binmaley, all in the Province of Pangasinan, is hereby converted into a National Road.

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

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,