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House Bill No. 4841

Introduced by Representative MARIA VANESSA C. AUMENTADO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Jct. Loay Interior Road – Bayongan-Bugang, San Miguel-Gabi-San Pascual, Ubay Road located in the Province of Bohol, into a national road.

The existing Jct. Loay Interior Road – Bayongan-Bugang, San Miguel-Gabi-San Pascual, Ubay Road is a provincial road with a length of 16.748 kms. It is composed of gravel and upgraded road with a concrete width of 6.7 meters. It directly connects two (2) secondary roads – the Loay Interior Road and Tagbilaran East Road. Motorist traveling from the towns of San Miguel and Ubay or vice versa may traverse the said road without necessarily passing through the busy streets of the neighboring towns, more particularly that of the Municipality of Trinidad for a more convenient travel and to save travel time.

The aforementioned road also serves as the access to the Bohol Experimental Station (BES) which is located in Gabi, Ubay, Bohol. The said Bohol Experimental Station is of prime importance as it is an Integrated Agricultural Research Center of the Department of Agriculture in the Central Visayas, and a PhilRice's National Local Agency for planning, coordination, implementation, and monitoring of all rice research and development activities in the Philippines. As such, it is imperative that said road be converted into a national road for it to be properly maintain;

Further, said road serves as access to the reservoir-style Bayongan Dam, which is located at the center of the Municipality of San Miguel, Bohol. The said Bayongan Dam is important for it was constructed to increase the water supply for farming activities of about 3,605 farmers cultivating more than 5,300 hectares of land in the municipalities of San Miguel, Ubay and Trinidad. Conversion of said road will result

to a more accessible and convenient route that would lessen the cost of hauling agricultural goods/products of the farmers and will enable the families to have easy access to schools and health facilities. Indeed, converting the said road to a national road will redound to the benefit of the people and further enhance economic growth in the 2nd District of Bohol.

Thus, to make sure that it fully serves its purpose and capacity, it is deemed best and urgent to convert the Jct. Loay Interior Road-Bayongan-Bugang, San Miguel-Gabi-San Pascual, Ubay Road into a national road.

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



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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF JCT. LOAY INTERIOR ROAD-
BAYONGAN-BUGANG, SAN MIGUEL-GABI-SAN PASCUAL, UBAY ROAD,
LOCATED IN THE PROVINCE OF BOHOL, INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. The Jct. Loay Interior Road – Bayongan-Bugang, San Miguel-Gabi-San Pascual, Ubay Road, located in the Province of Bohol, is hereby converted into a national road.

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

Section 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.