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House Bill No. 6561

Introduced by Representative **MARIA VANESSA C. AUMENTADO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The proposed measure earnestly seeks for the conversion of Jct. Loay Interior Road -Mahayag, San Miguel – Danao Road, located in the Province of Bohol, into a national road.

The existing provincial road of Jct. Loay -Mahayag, San Miguel – Danao Road has a length of 15,039 kilometers; it is made of gravel and upgraded road with a concrete width of 6.7 meters. This road serves as link between the towns of San Miguel and Danao. Currently, this road is being used by motorists coming from either town vice versa without necessarily passing through the other neighboring towns. Its use effectively reduced travel time and maintenance costs.

The Jct. Loay Interior Road – Mahayag, San Miguel – Danao Road is a provincial road that its repair, maintenance and improvement are still under the responsibility of the local government. However, due to other fiscal priorities and limitations of the concerned local government, the true potential of the road is not fully utilized.

Needless to say, improvement of road networks is essential in uplifting the way of life and economic stability. A smooth road is essential in the safety of travelers, transportation of goods and services, and the operation of the province's socio-economic activities. It will help improve the road accessibility of the area, minimizes traffic and shortens travel time. In addition, tourists will have better access to Bohol's other tourist attractions such as, the Danao Adventure Park, Sea of Clouds, and others. Doing so will redound to the socio-economic development and welfare of the people of Bohol.

It is essential to convert the Jct. Loay Interior Road- Mahayag, San Miguel – Danao Road into national road. Once converted, the maintenance aspect of the said road will be transferred to the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH); said agency will be obliged to maintain, repair and improve the road lines. Indeed, conversion from provincial road to national road guarantees the availability of and access to bigger funding from the national government.

Thus, to make sure that it fully serves the purpose and capacity, it is deemed best and urgent to convert Jct. Loay Interior Road-Mahayag, San Miguel-Danao 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-
MAHAYAG, SAN MIGUEL-DANAO 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 – Mahayag, San Miguel-Danao 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.