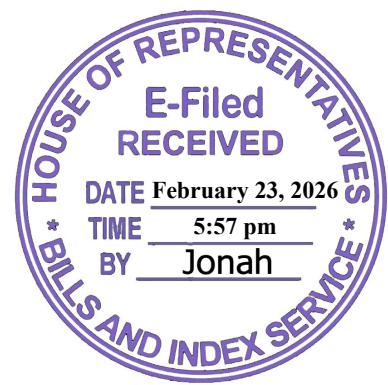


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**Introduced by Representative Rufus B. Rodriguez and
Representative Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr.**

House Bill No. 7985

EXPLANATORY NOTE

With the fast economic development of Cagayan de Oro City, its traffic situation has deteriorated. At present, traffic in the central business districts of Cagayan de Oro is at its all-time worse. This results not only in inconvenience but also losses for many businessmen. Also, with the opening of the Laguindingan International Airport, businessmen and tourists planning to go to Cagayan de Oro now have to travel at least one hour to get to the City.

As a solution to both, the proposed Cagayan de Oro Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport should be constructed.

This diversion road, covering a total length of 84 kms will be an alternate road going to the Laguindingan Airport. It will cut travel time to the airport by at least 30 minutes from Cagayan de Oro City. Further, the Cagayan de Oro City to Iligan City Road will be decongested and the urbanization of the upland areas will be accelerated. This would also mean the upland areas of CDO would have greater connectivity to the city proper and goods and services would easily be moved from one place to another benefiting the economy of the City.

The proposed Cagayan de Oro Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport has two phases. The 1st Phase of the project (Junction Balubal, Sayre Highway to Pueblo de Oro at CDO Old Airport Road) entails the construction of a two-lane road that would connect Balubal to the Guadalupe Shrine to Kamakawa, Gusa to Macapaya, Camaman-an to Indahag to the existing Pelaez Ave. concrete road and finally to the Junction Pueblo de Oro/CDO Airport Road. This phase will cover a total of 38 kms consisting of the existing 11 kms and 27 kms (new section) opening. It will decongest the Butuan-CDO-Iligan Road and accelerate sound urbanization of the upland areas of CDO.

The 2nd Phase of the CDO Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport (CDO-Opol-El Salvador-Alubijid-Laguindingan Airport Diversion Road) would also consist of a two-lane road from Junction Pueblo de Oro/CDO Old Airport Road passing thru the upland barangays of CDO then to Opol, then El Salvador, Alubijid and finally to Laguindingan. It will have road opening following some existing barangay and provincial roads totaling 46 kms. It will decongest the CDO-Iligan Road and accelerate sound urban development of the upland areas.

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


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AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE CAGAYAN DE ORO DIVERSION ROAD TO LAGUINDINGAN AIRPORT

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

SECTION 1. The construction of the CDO Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport (CDO-Opol-El Salvador-Alubijid-Laguindingan Airport Diversion Road) is hereby mandated.

SEC. 2. The proposed Cagayan de Oro Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport has two phases. The 1st Phase of the project (Junction Balubal, Sayre Highway to Pueblo de Oro at CDO Old Airport Road) entails the construction of a two-lane road that would connect Balubal to the Guadalupe Shrine to Kamakawa, Gusa to Macapaya, Camaman-an to Indahag to the existing Pelaez Ave. concrete road and finally to the Junction Pueblo de Oro/CDO Airport Road. This phase will cover a total of 38 kms consisting of the existing 11 kms and 27 kms (new section) opening. It will decongest the Butuan-CDO-Iligan Road and accelerate sound urbanization of the upland areas of CDO.

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SEC 3. The Department of Public Works and Highways is hereby directed to complete the construction of the CDO Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport.

SEC 4. The amount of One Billion and Five Hundred Million Pesos (P1,500,000,000) necessary for the completion of the CDO Diversion Road to Laguindingan Airport shall be included in the budget of the Department of Public Works and Highways in the General Appropriations Act.

SEC 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,