

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

Twentieth Congress

HOUSE BILL NO. 8067



Introduced by Representative **CARLOS A. LORIA**

AN ACT

**ESTABLISHING THE BICOL REGIONAL INTERMODAL TERMINAL (BRIT),
MANDATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SECOND DISTRICT
AGRO-INDUSTRIAL PROCESSING AND COLD-CHAIN CORRIDOR,
INTEGRATING SMART TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IN THE
LEGAZPI-DARAGA METROPOLITAN AREA, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

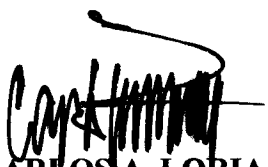
The continued development of strategic aviation and maritime gateways in the Province of Albay, including the internationalization of the Bicol International Airport (BIA) and the expansion of the Pantao Agricultural Port, presents a historic opportunity to transform the Bicol Region into a major logistics and industrial corridor. However, gateway infrastructure must be complemented by integrated mobility systems, value-adding logistics facilities, and climate-resilient transport corridors to ensure that economic benefits extend beyond mere transit activity.

The Second District of Albay serves as the central node connecting agricultural production areas, emerging aviation routes, and expanding tourism flows. To maximize national investments and promote balanced regional growth, there is a need to establish a dedicated framework in the 2nd District that strengthens intermodal connectivity, enhances logistics efficiency, and modernizes urban transport infrastructure. As the administrative and commercial heart of the province, the 2nd District must be structurally prepared to serve as the "Regional Receiver" for the increased volume of people and goods.

This measure establishes the Bicol Regional Intermodal Terminal (BRIT) as a centralized mobility hub integrating rail, airport shuttle, and provincial transport networks. It likewise promotes the development of Agro-Industrial Logistics and Processing Support Facilities to enhance value addition, stabilize food supply chains, and strengthen regional competitiveness. By capturing the processing stage of the supply chain, the 2nd District ensures that technological advancement translates into local employment and industrial growth.

By embedding smart mobility systems, resilient transport infrastructure, and disaster-responsive logistics functions, this Act ensures that the 2nd District evolves from a pass-through area into a fully integrated regional economic platform aligned with national development priorities.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure 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. Short Title. — This Act shall be known as the "**Albay Industrial Connectivity and Smart Mobility Act.**"

SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. — It is the policy of the State to promote integrated regional development by ensuring that primary gateways are supported by high-capacity logistics and intermodal transit systems. The State recognizes the 2nd District of Albay as the strategic "Regional Receiver" for the air and sea traffic of the Bicol Region and mandates its modernization to maximize economic value-addition.

SEC. 3. The Bicol Regional Intermodal Terminal (BRIT). — There is hereby established the Bicol Regional Intermodal Terminal (BRIT) within the 2nd District of Albay. The BRIT shall serve as a centralized hub consisting of:

- a) **Intermodal Passenger Exchange:** Integrating Bicol International Airport (BIA) shuttle services, provincial and regional bus lines, and the Philippine National Railways (PNR) South Long Haul system;
- b) **Digital Mobility Systems:** Providing automated flight information, unified ticketing, and real-time transport coordination for international and domestic arrivals; and
- c) **Disaster-Responsive Design:** Serving as a strategic regional logistics staging hub and evacuation center during national emergencies.

SEC. 4. The 2nd District Agro-Industrial Logistics and Processing Corridor. — To complement the agricultural trade from the ports of the 3rd District, a specialized Logistics Corridor is hereby established in the 2nd District. This corridor shall prioritize: (a) **Secondary Value-Addition:** Facilities for the packaging, processing, and consolidation of agricultural products for export via the BIA; (b) **Regional Cold-Chain Infrastructure:** Large-scale refrigeration and storage to stabilize regional food supply chains; and (c)

Logistics Innovation Spaces: Supporting export-oriented industries and supply chain technologies.

SEC. 5. Climate-Resilient Urban Artery Modernization. — The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall modernize primary transport corridors linking the BIA to the commercial centers of Legazpi and Daraga. This shall include:

a) **Smart Traffic Management:** AI-driven systems to optimize cargo movement and reduce urban congestion; and

b) **Climate-Adaptive Engineering:** Flood-resilient drainage and reinforced road segments designed to remain operational during extreme weather events.

SEC. 6. Public-Private Partnerships. — The implementing agencies are authorized to enter into Public-Private Partnership (PPP) arrangements, joint ventures, or similar financing mechanisms to accelerate the development of the BRIT and the Logistics Corridor.

SEC. 7. Appropriations. — The amount necessary for the initial implementation of this Act shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the DOTr, DPWH, and DTI. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA).

SEC. 8. Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR). — Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOTr, DPWH, and DTI, in consultation with the local government units of the 2nd District, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations.

SEC. 9. Separability Clause. — If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder shall not be affected.

SEC. 10. Repealing Clause. — All laws, executive orders, or rules inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 11. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,