



Republic of the Philippines
House of Representatives
Quezon City, Metro Manila



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HOUSE BILL NO. **10737**

Introduced by Representative Francisco Paolo P. Ortega V

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to upgrade the Land Transportation Office (LTO)-San Fernando District Office in the City of San Fernando, Province of La Union from Class "B" to Class "A".

The LTO-San Fernando District Office is one of the primary offices of the LTO in the Province of La Union. It provides services to the public within its geographic area of responsibility (GAOR), which covers the First Legislative District of La Union, comprising the municipalities of Sudipen, Bangar, Balaoan, Luna, Santol, Bacnotan, San Gabriel, San Juan, and San Fernando City, as well as a portion of Bauang in the Second Legislative District.

The said district office provides various services and transactions on motor vehicle registration, issuance of licenses and permits, enforcement of transportation laws, adjudication of apprehension cases, and collection of revenues. Over the years, the district office has experienced a substantial increase in the volume of transactions, reflecting the rapid growth and development in the area.

LTO Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 2020-2200 provides for the guidelines in the creation of district offices, conversion of extension offices, and upgrading of district offices classification and licensing centers. The circular introduces the use of the Overall Point Score, derived from the average volume of transactions and revenue collections for the last three (3) years, with the corresponding percentage weights applied.

For calendar years 2023-2025, the LTO-San Fernando District Office recorded an Average Volume of Transactions of 79,033, and Revenue Collections amounting to P88,163,422.42. Based on these figures, the office achieved an Overall Point Score of 82.5, thereby qualifying for an upgrade to a Class “A” District Office.

On the other hand, LTO MC No. VDM-2024-2693 provides for the revised parameters on the classification of district offices and omnibus reclassification of existing district offices. The MC has included LTO-San Fernando District Office in the list and reclassified it into a Class “A” District Office.

Upgrading the classification of LTO-San Fernando District Office into a Class “A” District Office will improve operational efficiency, significantly enhance service capacity, and effectively improve the delivery of public service in its area of responsibility.

Moreover, upgrading and reclassification of LTO district offices requires legislative action, and in order to immediately respond to the needs of the clientele of LTO-San Fernando District Office, approval of this bill is earnestly sought


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1 **AN ACT**
2 **UPGRADING THE DISTRICT OFFICE OF THE LAND**
3 **TRANSPORTATION OFFICE IN SAN FERNANDO CITY, PROVINCE**
4 **OF LA UNION, FROM A CLASS "B" TO A CLASS "A" DISTRICT**
5 **OFFICE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**
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7 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in*
8 *Congress assembled:*
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10 SECTION 1. The district office of the Land Transportation Office (LTO)
11 located in San Fernando City, Province of La Union, is hereby upgraded from a
12 Class "B" to a Class "A" district office.

13 SEC. 2. The Secretary of Transportation shall immediately include in the
14 Department's program the upgrading and operationalization of the LTO district
15 office in the City of San Fernando, Province of Union, the initial funding of which
16 shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the existing LTO
17 district office. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the continued
18 operation of the upgraded LTO San Fernando District Office shall be included in

1 the annual General Appropriations Act.

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

4 Approved,