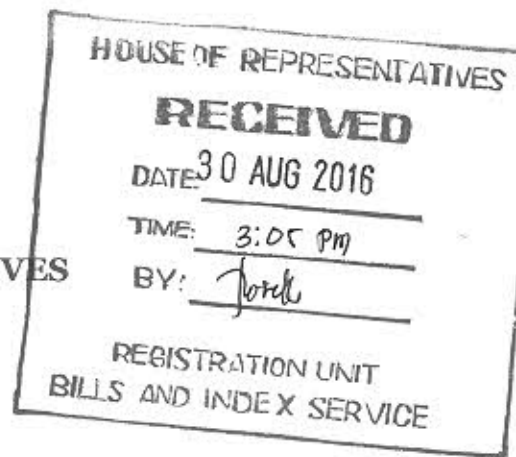


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House Bill No. 3378



Introduced by Honorable Roy M. Loyola, Honorable Strike B. Revilla and
Honorable Jennifer Austria-Barzaga

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) Sub-District Engineering Office of the Province of Cavite, which comprises the Second, Fourth and Fifth Legislative Districts, to a regular District Engineering Office to be known as DPWH Cavite III DEO.

Pursuant to Department Order No. 173 Series of 2015, there are only two (2) district engineering offices known as DPWH Cavite I DEO and DPWH Cavite II DEO; and a sub-district engineering office in the Second, Fourth and Fifth Legislative Districts known as the Cavite Sub-District Engineering Office (CSDEO) in the Province of Cavite.

The proposed DPWH Cavite III DEO shall be located in the Municipality of Carmona.

The proposed DPWH Cavite III DEO comprises of the Municipalities of Carmona, Silang and General Mariano Alvarez; and the Cities of Dasmarinas and Bacoor.

It has a total road length of 199.932 kilometers, 1.99 million inhabitants and 428.10 square kilometre land area. It falls under the Second Class category district engineering office as per Department Order No. 110, Series of 2016, which provides for the Guidelines on the Creation and Classification / Reclassification of District Engineering Offices (DEOs).

An engineering office with this magnitude requires a complete and effective staff; and a fast and efficient transaction process in order to comply with the

department's objectives, thus justifies the necessity of its conversion to a regular engineering office.

The conversion of the CSDEO to a regular district engineering office will result to a more closely supervised, effective and efficient implementation of the programs of DPWH and other agencies concerned, which depend on DPWH in the implementation of the infrastructure projects.

It will enable the said engineering office to have full authority to administer the DEO's over-all operation such as functional and administrative supervision including procurement process, negotiation and execution of contracts; and the management of the DEO's financial allocations. It will also hasten the pace of improvement of various infrastructure projects and expedite the improvement of the capital resources of the Second, Fourth and Fifth legislative districts of the Province of Cavite and their economic development.

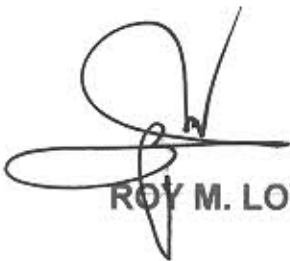
As per verbal advice of Department of Budget and Management, an Agency Code and Notice of Organization, Staffing and Compensation Action (NOSCA) shall only be issued to a regular district engineering office. The Agency Code shall be used as main tool for the office's financial transactions, while the NOSCA shall be used to establish the DEO's workforce structure.

Moreover, the proposed DEO can also generate more employment to the people of the three districts involved.

Finally, Section 25 of Executive Order No. 124 Series of 1987 allows the conversion of CSDEO to a regular district engineering office, to wit:

*"There shall be a District Office in each of the provinces and cities throughout the country to be headed by a District Engineer appointed by the Minister. **A province or city may, however, be divided into two (2) or more engineering districts, upon determination and issuance of an administrative order by the Minister.**" (Emphasis ours)*

It is for these reasons and the advancement of the common good that early passage of this bill is earnestly sought.



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**AN ACT CONVERTING DPWH SUB-DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE OF THE
PROVINCE OF CAVITE TO A REGULAR DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF**

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

1 **SECTION 1.** There shall be established, under the supervision of the
2 Department of Public Works and Highways, a third district engineering office in the
3 Second, Fourth and Fifth Legislative Districts in the Province of Cavite located in the
4 Municipality of Carmona to be known as the DPWH Cavite III District Engineering
5 Office or DPWH Cavite III DEO.
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7 **SECTION 2.** DPWH Cavite III DEO shall be comprised of the Municipalities of
8 Carmona, Silang and General Mariano Alvarez and the Cities of Bacoor and
9 Dasmarinas.
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11 **SECTION 3.** Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the
12 Department's program the operation of the DPWH Cavite III DEO, the initial funding of
13 which shall be charged against the current year's appropriation of the CSDEO.
14 Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the said district
15 engineering office shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

1 **SECTION 4.** This act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,