Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS First Regular Session

House Bill No. <u>316</u>9



Introduced by Rep. MARIO VITTORIO "MARVEY" A. MARIÑO 5<sup>th</sup> District, Batangas City

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Land Transportation Office (LTO) Batangas Licensing Center is the sole Driver's Licensing Center in the entire province of Batangas. The licensing center caters to the constituents of the 31 municipalities and 3 cities of the province, namely Balayan, Calaca, Calatagan, Lemery, Lian, Nasugbu, Taal, Tuy Bauan, Lobo, Mabini, San Luis, San Pascual, Tingloy, Agoncillo, Alitagtag, Balete, Cuenca, Laurel, Malvar, Mataasnakahoy, San Nicolas, Sta. Teresita, Sto. Tomas, Talisay, Tanuan City Ibaan, Padre Garcia, Rosario, San Jose, San Juan, Taysan, Lipa City, and Batangas City.

The performance record of LTO Batangas Licensing Centers since it started operations in 1985 showed tremendous growth in terms of revenue collections and volume of transactions. In 2015, revenue collection amounted to P29,941,789.50, while license transactions rose to 106,578. These transactions would show that the Batangas Licensing Center transactions are comparable with the regular Licensing Center of the National Capital Region.

LTO Batangas Licensing Center currently employs nine organic personnel from various District Offices and seven job-order personnel. The proposed conversion of LTO Batangas Licensing Center into a Regular Licensing center would help secure independent funding under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for its capital outlay, maintenance, and other operating expenses. This proposed bill is also in line with the desire of President Rodrgio Roa Duterte in ending the problem of contractualization that has been plaguing our labor force. If approved, it would pave the way for the creation of new Plantilla Positions and also result in employment of regular LTO personnel. Through this, public service becomes more efficient and effective.

Therefore, this bill seeks to convert the LTO Batangas Licensing Center into a Regular Licensing Center to be known as Batangas City Licensing Center of Batangas City, Province of Batangas.

In view of the foregoing, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

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House Bill No. 3169

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AN ACT CONVERTING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) LICENSING CENTER IN THE CITY OF BATANGAS, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS INTO A REGULAR LICENSING CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE BATANGAS CITY LICENSING CENTER OF BATANGAS CITY, BATANGAS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

**SECTION 1.** The Land Transportation (LTO) Licensing Center in the City of Batangas, Province of Batangas is hereby converted into a Regular Licensing Center to be known as Batangas City Licensing Center.

**SECTION 2.** The Secretary of Transportation shall immediately include in the Department's programs the operationalization of Batangas City Licensing Center the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Batangas City Licensing Center. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the continued implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the completion of its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.