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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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4037

HOUSE BILL NO. _____



Introduced by Representative **TYRONE D AGABAS**

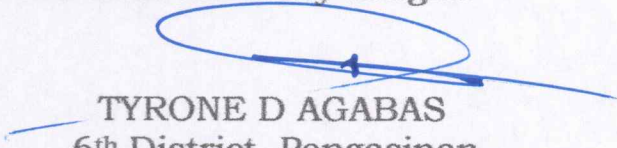
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Villasis-Asingan Provincial Road in the Municipalities of Asingan and Villasis, Province of Pangasinan, from provincial into a national road.

The Villasis-Asingan Provincial Road is a vital link connecting the Municipality of Asingan to the Manila North Road in the Municipality of Villasis. It is also a major gateway from eastern to western Pangasinan. It is most compelling that the said road be converted into a national road because of its huge economic contribution to eastern Pangasinan.

The Municipality of Villasis is a major trading center in the Province of Pangasinan. The said roadline is a host to commercial vehicles plying the said route originating from eastern to western Pangasinan. To afford a greater flexibility in terms of commercial trade and economic growth, there is a need to convert the said provincial road into a national road. If converted, the improvement and maintenance can be included in the annual budgetary allocation of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH). Given the budgetary constraints of the province, it is but fitting that the Villasis-Asingan Provincial Road be converted into a national road to secure funding for its annual maintenance and unbind the Province of Pangasinan from its obligation of having to allocate funds for the annual repair and maintenance of the Villasis-Asingan Provincial Road.

Given the socio-economic benefits that the conversion will create,
the immediate passage of the bill is therefore earnestly sought.



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THE MUNICIPALITIES OF VILLASIS AND ASINGAN, PROVINCE OF
PANGASINAN, FROM A PROVINCIAL ROAD INTO A NATIONAL
ROAD, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Villasis-Asingan Provincial Road in the
Municipality of Villasis and the Municipality of Asingan is hereby
converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall
include in the department's program the improvement, repair, and
maintenance of the road, the funding of which shall be included in the
annual General Appropriations Act.

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

Approved.