

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

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 1372



Introduced by Representative ED CHRISTOPHER S. GO

AN ACT
CONVERTING THE PROVINCIAL ROAD STRETCHING FROM BARANGAY
MABINI-PINTOR-UNION, MUNICIPALITY OF GAMU TO MANGCURAM-
LULUTAN, CITY OF ILAGAN, ALL OF THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA, INTO A
NATIONAL ROAD, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

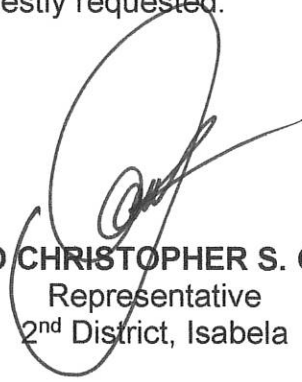
The existing 21-kilometer Mabini-Pintor-Union, Municipality of Gamu to Mangcuram, Lulután, City of Ilagan provincial road is a vital road network which links the Municipality of Gamu to the City of Ilagan, Isabela. The road is of great importance in the economic, commercial, and civic expansion of the fast-growing town of Gamu, Isabela as it provides the shortest seamless connection to the City of Ilagan, Isabela. As it is now, this provincial road serves to connect two national highways, the Ilagan-Delfin Albano-Mallig Road and Gamu to Roxas Road, shortening travel time from the towns of Burgos and Gamu to Ilagan City. It stretches parallel to the Santiago-Tuguegarao Road.

The importance of this provincial road is highlighted by the growing needs of the communities connected by this stretch. The conversion into a national road will enhance the exchange of agricultural and industrial goods and commercial services between the Municipalities of Burgos and Gamu to the urban centers of Ilagan, Isabela. If it is converted to a national road, it will be well-maintained and regularly pave, thus affording motorists a fast and efficient thoroughfare.

Just as important, its conversion to a national road will improve access to government and commercial services as a well-maintained road network will bring hospitals, churches, markets, academic institutions and commercial establishments even closer to the people.

The Provincial Government of Isabela has limited resources to maintain and conduct repairs on the said provincial road on a regular basis. Its conversion to a national road will also translate to huge savings on the part of the provincial government of Isabela which it can now allocate to poverty alleviation projects and other government initiatives with significant socio-economic impact.

Hence, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly requested.



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

1 **SECTION 1.** The road stretching from Barangay Mabini-Pintor-Union, Municipality
2 of Gamu to Mangcuram-Lulutan, City of Ilagan, all of the Province of Isabela connecting
3 the Municipality of Gamu to the City of Ilagan is hereby converted into a national road.

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

7 **SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
8 Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,