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HOUSE BILL NO. 459



Introduced by HON. ELISA T. KHO, M.D., FPCCP

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Barangay Tagpu – Alas – San Juan Road in the Municipality of Mandaon, Province of Masbate into a National Secondary Road.

The road is a very important link from the Municipality of Mandaon to the Municipality of Balud and traverses several barangays and leads to important trade routes. The said road is likewise a viable alternate route from Mandaon to the City of Masbate and considering that it is actually the shortest route going to the city. Butbecause of frequent inadequacy of funds, its upgrading, rehabilitation and yearly maintenance by the local government have become taxing and challenging as it would always drain the LGUs annual appropriations.

There is therefore an urgent need to convert the said local road into a national secondary road in order to improve its upkeep considering that it is a vital route and also for it to be properly maintained by the national government for the benefit of our constituents.

Passage of this bill is therefore prayed.

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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE BARANGAY TAGPU – ALAS – SAN JUAN ROAD IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MANDAON, PROVINCE OF MASBATE INTO A NATIONAL SECONDARY ROAD 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 Barangay Tagpu – Alas – San Juan Road, in the Municipality of Mandaon, Province of Masbate is hereby converted in a **National Secondary Road**.

- **SEC. 2.**The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) is hereby directed to implement the provision of this Act.
- **SEC. 3.**The amount necessary to cover the improvement, repairs and maintenance of the aforementioned road shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.
- **SEC. 4.**This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in at least two (2) national papers of general circulation.

Approved.