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HOUSE BILL NO. 2287



Introduced by Rep. Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo and Rep. Abdullah D. Dimaporo

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to reconstitute the Lanao del Norte Engineering Districts into two (2) separate district engineering offices to be respectively named as follows: (1) Lanao del Norte First District Engineering Office to be located in the First Congressional District; and (2) Lanao del Norte Second District Engineering Office to be located in the Second Congressional District.


With the passage of Republic Act 9774 mandating the reapportionment of legislative districts in the Province of Lanao del Norte and RA 9724 mandating the separation of Iligan City from the First Legislative District of Lanao del Norte to constitute a separate legislative district, there is now a pressing need to reconstitute the Lanao del Norte Engineering Districts which are based in Iligan City into two engineering districts to adequately respond to the growing needs of the reapportioned legislative districts for new infrastructures and the maintenance of existing ones.

Under the present set-up, the First District Engineering Office has the Second Congressional district under its jurisdiction while the Second District Engineering Office has the lone District of Iligan City and the First Congressional District of Lanao del Norte under its jurisdiction. Both District Engineering Offices are based in Iligan City.

The present Second District Engineering Office is patently undermanned and its resources are stretched too thinly to meet the huge demands of the two legislative districts it is now serving causing undue delays and hassles in project implementation, a situation that is manifestly detrimental to the growth of Lanao del Norte as a rapidly growing economy.

In view of the foregoing, the prompt approval of this measure is earnestly sought and recommended.


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AN ACT

RECONSTITUTING THE LANA DEL NORTE ENGINEERING DISTRICT OFFICES IN THE PROVINCE OF LANA DEL NORTE INTO TWO (2) REGULAR DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICES TO BE KNOWN AS THE LANA DEL NORTE FIRST ENGINEERING DISTRICT AND THE LANA DEL NORTE SECOND DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE TO BE BASED IN THE FIRST AND SECOND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF LANA DEL NORTE, RESPECTIVELY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Lanao del Norte District Engineering Offices, under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways, shall be reconstituted into two (2) separate district engineering offices devoted exclusively for the Province of Lanao del Norte to be respectively named as follows:

(a) Lanao del Norte First District Engineering Office to be based in the Municipality of Tubod, Lanao del Norte; and the

(b) Lanao del Norte Second District Engineering Office to be based in the Municipality of Kapatagan, Lanao del Norte.

SEC. 2. The Lanao del Norte First District Engineering Office shall have jurisdiction over the municipalities of Baroy, Tubod, Kolambugan, Maigo, Bacolod, Kauswagan, Linamon, Tagoloan, Baloi, Matunggao and Pantar. The Lanao del Norte Second District Engineering Office shall have jurisdiction over the municipalities of Pantao Ragat, Poona Piagapo, Munai, Tangkal, Magsaysay, Salvador, Lala, Sultan Naga Dimaporo (SND), Kapatagan, Sapad and Nunungan.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Lanao del Norte First and Second District Engineering Offices, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Lanao del Norte District Engineering Office. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the said district engineering offices shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. Republic Act 9035 is hereby repealed accordingly.

Approved,