

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

HOUSE BILL NO. 2952



**INTRODUCED BY REP. NESTOR B. FONGWAN and
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EXPLANATORY NOTE


This bill seeks to terminate the collection of toll fees along the portion of the Benguet Road (Kennon Road) from Klondyke's Spring to Camp Six, repealing for the purpose Executive Order (EO) No. 34, Series of 1954, as amended.

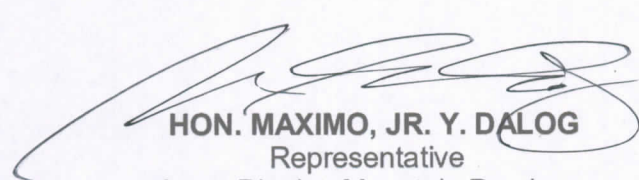
The Baguio-Bontoc-Halsema Highway-Kennon National Toll Road is a national toll road that comprises three toll gates which are situated in Camp 1, Camp 6 and Acop, Tublay, Benguet along the Halsema Highway. The collection of toll fees at Camp 6 was implemented by virtue of EO 34, as amended, issued by the President Ramon Magsaysay on June 1, 1954.

With the passage of Republic Act (RA) No. 8794 on June 27, 2000, entitled "An Act Imposing a Major Vehicle User's Charge on Owners of all Types of Motor Vehicles and for Other Purposes," the motor vehicle user's charges are collected and deposited on special trust accounts in the National Treasury. The trust accounts include the Special Road Support Fund and the Special Local Road Fund which are used by the Department of Public Works and Highways for the maintenance and improvement of primary and secondary roads throughout the country.

With toll fees collected by virtue of EO 34 and RA 8794, which are both transmitted to the National Treasury, the road users of Camp 6 toll road are technically being charged twice. They are mostly farmers from Benguet and Mountain Province transporting their agricultural products to the La Trinidad Vegetable Trading Post or directly to Metro Manila. Further, with the collection of toll fees, farmers are left with no recourse but to increase farm prices of vegetables and pass on the expense to retailers and consumers.

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


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**AN ACT TERMINATING THE COLLECTION OF TOLL FEES ALONG THE PORTION
OF THE BENGUET ROAD (KENNON ROAD) FROM KLONDYKE'S SPRING TO
CAMP SIX, REPEALING FOR THE PURPOSE EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 34, SERIES
OF 1954, AS AMENDED**

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

Section 1. The collection of toll fees along the portion of the Benguet Road (Kennon Road) from Klondyke's Spring in Camp Six within the Mountain Province is hereby terminated.

Section 2. Executive Order No. 34, Series of 1954, as amended, is hereby repealed. All other laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, and other issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,