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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Bill No. 1994

Introduced by **Honorable FREDERICK W. SIAO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Iligan City is presently served by one (1) district engineering office of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) that is serving two (2) legislative districts, the Lone District of Iligan City and the 1st District of Lanao del Norte.

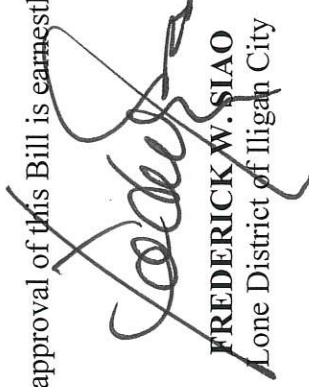
With the approval of Republic Act No. 9724 on October 20, 2009, separating the City of Iligan from the 1st Legislative District of the Province of Lanao del Norte to constitute the Lone Legislative District of the City of Iligan, and considering the inadequacy of one (1) district engineering office serving simultaneously two legislative districts, a separate district engineering office for the City of Iligan is now required.

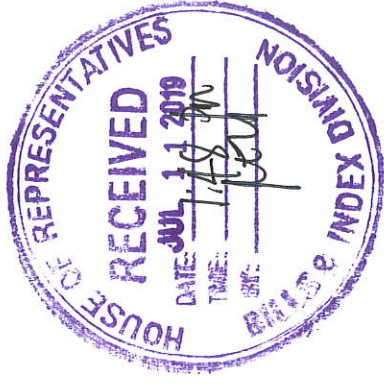
The City of Iligan has an NSO-certified population of 342,618 as of August of CY2016 residing in 44 Barangays. The Second District Engineering Office which is currently serving both the needs of the Lone District of Iligan City and the 1st District of Lanao del Norte is clearly understaffed; causing undue delays in the implementation of infrastructure programs and projects that is apparently disadvantageous to the two (2) legislative districts.

Considering the aforementioned, the planning, design, construction, works supervision, and maintenance of the highways, bridges, infrastructure projects, and other public works in the Lone District of Iligan City shall be more effectively, efficiently and expeditiously attended to by having one (1) engineering district office exclusively for the City of Iligan.

This bill, which was originally filed in the 17th Congress as House Bill No. 2431, was substituted by House Bill No. 8250 under Committee Report No. 868. It was passed by the House on Third and Final Reading on October 08, 2018 and was transmitted to the Senate on October 09, 2018, where it was pending upon adjournment of the 17th Congress.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this Bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT CREATING A SEPARATE DISTRICT ENGINEERING OFFICE IN THE
CITY OF ILAGAN AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Any provision of law to the contrary notwithstanding, there is hereby created a separate district engineering office of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) in the City of Iligan.

SEC. 2. The Lone Legislative District in the City of Iligan shall have one (1) district engineering office, to be located separately from the jurisdiction of the 1st Legislative District of Lanao del Norte.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the separate district engineering office in the City of Iligan, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the Second District Engineering Office. Hereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the said district engineering office shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,