
EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill was originally filed as House Bill No. 4487 in the fourteenth (14th) congress.

The municipalities of Aguinaldo and Alfonso Lista in the province of Ifugao and the municipality of Natonin in Mt. Province located at the Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) are primarily corn producing areas. In fact, the volume of corn produced in these three (3) municipalities are first class corns delivered and sold to corn traders in the province of Isabela in Region 2. The combined corn production of the municipalities of Aguinaldo, Alfonso Lista, and Natonin would easily account to more or less thirty (30) percent of the reported corn production of the province of Isabela.

It is a sad fact that during the rainy season, the corn farmers of the municipalities of Aguinaldo and Alfonso Lista, Ifugao and Natonin, Mt. Province find it very hard or almost impossible to transport their harvests and produces to the province of Isabela in long periods of time until the roads are dry and passable resulting to so much waste of corn products as
their harvests and produces would be molding and often rotting when the road becomes passable.

The road network herein proposed to be converted into a national road is strategically located in the areas mainly dedicated to corn production and very vital to accelerate development and increase agricultural and economic activities essential to support agriculture.

The conversion of the said road will facilitate faster and more efficient transportation of essential agricultural goods, and the delivery of necessary agricultural services. It is projected that such road conversion shall promote livelihood opportunities, encourage competitive flow of investment, and shall ultimately enhance the economic and social living conditions, not just of the people farming and living along the roads, but also those in the arterial roads that are connected to it.

The proposed conversion arises out of extreme necessity and urgency.

In view of the foregoing premises, immediate enactment of this bill is earnestly sought.

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Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
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House Bill No. 3361

Introduced by Representative SOLOMON R. CHUNGALAO


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

SECTION 1. The road which starts at the boundary of the Municipality of Natonin in Mt. Province, traverses barangays Bunag, Butac, Monggayang (Sitio Manaot), Pinto, Little Tadian and San Marcos in the municipalities of Aguinaldo and Alfonso Lista in the province of Ifugao, and ends at the boundary of the Municipality of Aurora in the Province of Isabela is hereby converted into a national road.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Department of Public Works and Highways shall issue the necessary rules, orders and circulars to implement the provisions of this including in the Department the program of its improvement, repairs and maintenance, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriation Act.
SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the official gazette and in any newspaper of general circulations.

Approved,