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**HOUSE BILL NO. 46**

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Infrastructure plays a crucial role in enabling and sustaining economic growth. Recognizing this, President Rodrigo Duterte and his economic team have included the acceleration of infrastructure development as one of its top economic priorities.

Accordingly, the construction of a road traversing the coastal barangays in the Cities of Bacolod, Silay, Talisay and Victorias, and the Municipality of Enrique B. Magalona will harness the vast economic potential of the Province of Negros Occidental and will contribute in improving the quality of life of Negrenses.

Stretching 35.85 kilometers once completed, the coastal road will facilitate the efficient flow of people and goods in the area, catalyzing economic development and generating employment opportunities and new sources of income for the local population.

It will also help ease traffic congestion in the Bacolod North Road and mitigate the perennial flooding in said areas.

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

  
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**AN ACT**  
**PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COASTAL ROAD TRAVERSING**  
**THE CITIES OF BACOLOD, SILAY, TALISAY AND VICTORIAS, AND THE**  
**MUNICIPALITY OF ENRIQUE B. MAGALONA IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS**  
**OCCIDENTAL**

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

SECTION 1. There shall be constructed, under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highway, a road that will traverse the coastal barangays of the Cities of Bacolod, Silay, Talisay and Victorias, and the Municipality of Enrique B. Magalona in the Province of Negros Occidental.

SECTION 2. The amount needed to implement the provisions of this Act shall appropriated in the the General Appropriations Act of the year following the approval of this Act. Thereafter, such amount as it may be necessary for the completion and maintenance of the said coastal road shall be included in the appropriations of the Department of Public Works and Highways in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

*Approved,*