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Introduced by Hon. **WILTER "SHARKY" WEE PALMA II**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert the Provincial Road from the Junction Lutiman to Guicam Road, Municipality of Alicia, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay, into a Secondary National Road.

Zamboanga Sibugay is a newly created province in Zamboanga Peninsula in 2001 and with its incumbency as a local government unit, comes with challenges in various forms and severity. The Sibugaynons are heavily dependent on farming and fishing as its main sources of livelihood in the locality. Despite its natural resources potential, productivity remains low, leaving much to be desired, principally owing to the deplorable lack of reliable national road complex to facilitate the safe and easy transport of people and produce to ports and markets in and out of the area. The conversion will provide much needed accessibility to the three (3) remote municipalities of Olutanga, Mabuhay, and Talusan, which are rich in agricultural and marine resources that need to be marketed in the mainland Sibugay and in other parts of Mindanao. These municipalities have long been deprived of easy access due to its geographical disadvantage. The conversion of the Junction Lutiman to Guicam Road into a Secondary National Road will stimulate, much less, promote local economic growth and development of the barangays which the said road traverses. The economic integration of these areas will narrow rural-urban disparities, expand opportunities and encourage the retention of skilled people in the locality.

Apart from the socio-economic development benefits that will be initiated by the road conversion, it will also provide a much needed boost in reducing the limitations on access to basic social services, such as health and education. Beyond meeting the basic needs, the vulnerabilities of the people to the economic and financial crisis, disaster risk and climate change must be addressed. On this pursuit, I believe that such conversion will be a big relief to our province in our struggle to pull the people out of the poverty line. In view of the foregoing, early approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE PROVINCIAL ROAD FROM
JUNCTION LUTIMAN TO GUICAM ROAD OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALICIA,
PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY INTO A SECONDARY NATIONAL ROAD
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Provincial Road starting from Junction Lutiman to Guicam Road in the Municipality of Alicia, Province of Zamboanga Sibugay is hereby converted into a secondary national road under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH).

SECTION 2. The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriations for the Department of Public Works and Highways under the current General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sum as maybe necessary for the repair and maintenance of this road shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,