COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 678

Submitted by the Committee on Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations on

DEC 14 2020

Re: House Bill No. 5453

Recommending its approval with amendments

Sponsors: Representatives Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento, Eric Go Yap and Elisa T. Kho

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Transportation and the Committee on Appropriations to which was referred House Bill No. 5453, introduced by Reps. Wilton T. Kho and Elisa T. Kho, entitled:

“AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION OFFICE (LTO) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CATAILGAN IN THE 3RD DISTRICT OF MASBATE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommend its approval with the following amendments:

- On Section 1, delete the comma (,) after the phrase “Municipality of Cataingan” and replace the word “serving” with the words “WHICH SHALL SERVE”

with Reps. Wilton T. Kho, Elisa T. Kho, Edgar Mary S. Sarmiento and Eric Go Yap as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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THE HONORABLE SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
QUEZON CITY
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House of Representatives  
Quezon City  

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Introduced by  
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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

With the increasing demand for services of the Land Transportation Office particularly within the 3rd district of Masbate, it is imperative to create a fully equipped district office readily accessible to all constituents in order to ensure safety and compliance to various transportation laws, rules and regulations.

The rationale for enacting this legislative measure is to ensure that the services of the Land Transportation Office are readily available to the residents of the Municipality of Cataingan and its neighboring towns within the 3rd district of Masbate. In addition, the establishment of a district office in Cataingan will help alleviate the current load of the current and lone LTO district office in the province of Masbate located in the city of Masbate.

In fine, this bill seeks to establish a district branch of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) in the 3rd district of Masbate, particularly in the Municipality of Cataingan.

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

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

Section 1. There is hereby established a district branch of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) to be located in the Municipality of Cataingan, serving the 3rd district of Masbate and its neighboring towns.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of the Department of Transportation shall immediately include in the DOTr’s program the operationalization of the LTO district office in the Municipality of Cataingan, Province of Masbate, funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of Transportation shall formulate the necessary rules and regulations to carry out the purpose of this Act.

Sec. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,