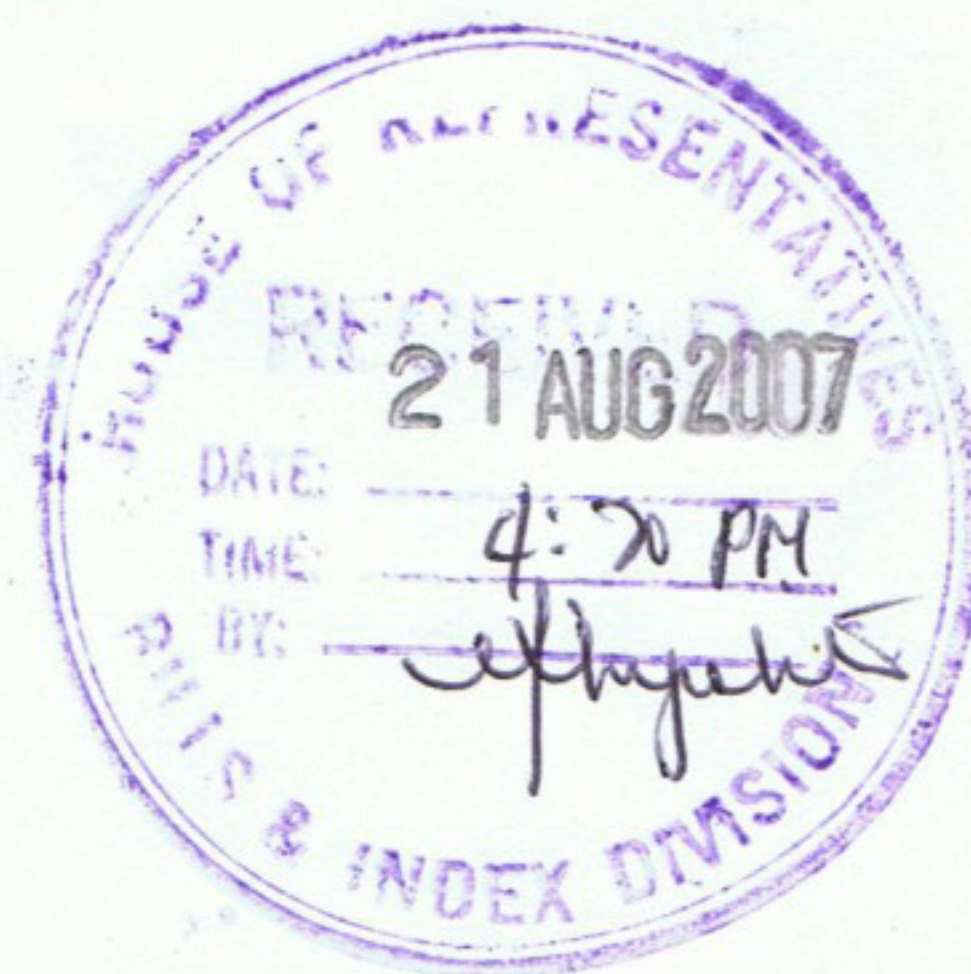


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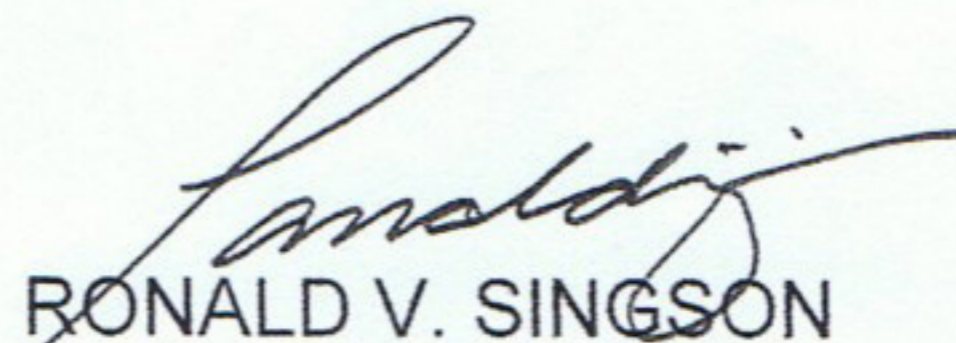
Introduced by: Honorable RONALD V. SINGSON

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to convert a series of provincial roads in the province of Ilocos Sur into a single national road. The route currently interconnects the eastern vast agricultural lands in the six towns of Sta. Catalina, San Vicente, Magsingal, San Juan, Cabugao and Sto. Domingo, all in the province of Ilocos Sur. It will serve as a short cut to a long and winding national highway that passes through the centers of the six local government territories. The proposed national road, therefore, shall become an alternate national highway in the province.

Roads are the main arteries for commerce that bring about more intensified commercial transactions among different parties in the economy. The conversion of the current provincial road into a national road will hasten the development of the territories being serviced by the current artery, most of which are large farmlands that have remained inaccessible and less productive. Conversion of the same into a national road will result to the unburdening of the local government of the responsibility of upgrading and maintenance of the current road. This will effectively release much needed funds to the other socio-economic needs of the province. The District Engineer's Office has previously endorsed the conversion for the above-stated reasons. Conversion will surely have a great impact of the lives of the people living along the portions being served by this road.

Approval of this bill is urgently and anxiously solicited.


RONALD V. SINGSON