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S E N A T E S. No. \_501

Introduced by Senator S. R. Osmeña III

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The third Congressional District is undeniably the most depressed in the Province of Leyte. Although it is rich in natural resources, the District's economic growth has been stunted with the inadequacy of its road systems. The transport of goods, produce and other merchandise from one town to another has been unsafe, difficult, and expensive.

This bill, which was filed in the Eleventh Congress upon the request of Rep. Eduardo Veloso, seeks the completion and the convesion into national roads of a 42-kilometer road connecting the towns of San Isidro, Daja, Villalon, and Calubian, and an 18-kilometer Campokpok-Botasan-Hibacungan – Cota Cross Country Road. The two main road systems will cut through rural agricultural areas and serve thickly populated centers, in effect hastening the economic growth of the District. The conversion of the two road systems into national roads will ensure their maintenance and improvement, putting the area back into the map of progress.

In view of the foregoing, early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

SERGIO OSMEÑA III

Senator

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### **AN ACT**

AUTHORIZING THE COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO ARTERIAL ROADS IN NORTHWEST LEYTE, DECLARING AND CONVERTING THEM INTO NATIONAL ROADS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The completion of the construction of the 42-kms. San

Isidro-Daja-Villalon-Calubian Road and the 18-km. Campokpok-Botason-

3 Hibacungan-Cota Cross-Country Road, both in the northwest quadrant of the

island of Leyte, are hereby authorized and mandated to be undertaken by the

5 Department of Public Works and Highway and for their proper maintenance and

improvement, should be, as they are hereby, declared and converted into

national road.

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SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the completion of the construction of

the aforementioned roads shall be charged to the existing appropriations of the

Department of Public Works and Highways intended for the construction of new

national roads. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the

maintenance and improvement of such national roads shall be included in the

annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in

two (2) national newspapers of general circulation

Approved,