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**SENATE**

**S.B. No. 2122**

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**Introduced by SENATOR EMMANUEL D. PACQUIAO**

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**AN ACT ADOPTING A 30-YEAR NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE MASTER PLAN**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

The Philippines needs a safe, efficient, and accessible national infrastructure system to sustain the inclusive socio-economic development of its citizens and realize the long-term vision for the country. Under Ambisyon Natin 2040, the country is aiming to become a progressive, predominantly middle-class nation, where Filipinos are more intelligent and are able to enjoy a healthier life while living in a high-confidence society.

Considering that most major infrastructure facilities are capital-intensive, their development and execution taking several years, and that their lifespan covers only at least two decades, it behooves the country to adopt a long-term development program for national infrastructure covering at least 30 years. This will better rationalize the traditional medium-term and annual programs. This long-term master plan will provide continuity in the development and implementation of the projects in the program, across Administrations. The Master Plan will serve as the framework for the desirable locations, scopes, linkages, and timing of public and private investments in major infrastructure in the country over the next three decades. It will serve as a reliable and predictable road map for the construction industry, investors, entrepreneurs, and associated sectors in carrying out their long-term business plans and decisions.

The need for a long-term plan is further underscored by the the recent succession of destructive typhoons and floods, and with the recent devastation from the COVID pandemic, this calls for strategic infrastructure projects based on an overall long-range program so as to better use limited resources for more effective and lasting engineering and related measures to mitigate losses from these calamities.

This bill, therefore, institutionalizes a 30-Year National Infrastructure Master Plan for the Philippines for 2023-2052. The Program covers major infrastructure projects of the National Government in the fields of transport, energy, water resources, information and communications

technology (ICT), and social infrastructure, including projects under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) arrangements and partnerships with Local Government Units (LGUs). In addition, this measure will institutionalize the “Build! Build! Build!” plan of the Administration which ushers in the "Golden Age of Infrastructure." This plan seeks to accelerate infrastructure spending and support industries that will yield robust development, create jobs and improve the lives of Filipinos. Its ultimate goals are to reduce poverty, encourage economic growth, and reduce congestion.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Emmanuel D. Pacquiao', is written over a large, stylized, circular scribble.

**EMMANUEL D. PACQUIAO**