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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act 10673 has apportioned the Province of Batangas into six (6) legislative districts. Batangas City was separated from the 2nd Legislative District to constitute the 5th District of Batangas.

However, both 2nd District and 5th District of Batangas are still currently served by one (1) District Engineering Office of the Department of Public Works and Highways. There is an undeniable inadequacy of the District Engineering Office that is manifested by undue delays in project implementation in the two legislative districts.

This measure proposes the creation of a separate engineering district for the 5th District of Batangas in order to cater to the timely and efficient implementation of infrastructure programs and projects in the district.

In view of the foregoing, the passage 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. A district engineering office of the Department of Public Works and
 Highways hereby created in the Fifth Legislative District, Province of Batangas, to be
 located in the City of Batangas and referred to as the Fifth District Engineering Office.
- Sec. 2. The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Fifth District Engineering Office in the City of Batangas, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
- 8 Sec. 3. *Effectivity.* This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its 9 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,