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Introduced by **SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS**

AN ACT
CONVERTING THE BESAO, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE – TUBO, ABRA ROAD
INTO A NATIONAL ROAD AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution, under Article X, Section 13 states that, "*Local government units may group themselves, consolidate or coordinate their efforts, services, and resources for purposes commonly beneficial to them in accordance with law.*" The State needs to significantly improve and develop tourism and economic activities in the country.

The Besao, Mountain Province – Tubo, Abra Road is a road stretch which starts at the junction in Barangay Kin-iway passing through barangays Tamboan and Dandanac, all in Besao, Mountain Province then passes through Barangay Patiacan of Quirino, Ilocos Sur then exists at the municipality of Tubo, Abra.

The bill seeks to convert the Besao, Mountain Province – Tubo, Abra, presently classified as a provincial road into a National Road. The conversion of said road will benefit Mountain Province, Ilocos Sur, and the Province of Abra, linking the three provinces and improving the trade and commerce among the people. Moreover, this road will improve access to government and commercial services as a well-maintained road network will bring hospital, churches, markets, academic institutions and commercial establishments even closer to the people.

In view of the foregoing reasons, 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:

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Besao, Mountain Province – Tubo, Abra Road is hereby
2 converted and declared a national road.
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- 4 **SEC. 2.** The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the
5 Department’s program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the said road, the
6 initial funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
7 Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued improvement and maintenance of
8 National Road shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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- 10 **SEC. 3.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
11 Official gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,