



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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BY REPRESENTATIVES GARCIA (A.), MOMO AND CO (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 575

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**AN ACT  
MANDATING THE FULL REHABILITATION, UPGRADING, AND  
MAINTENANCE OF THE ROMAN SUPERHIGHWAY IN THE  
PROVINCE OF BATAAN**

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

1           **SECTION 1.** The Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH)  
2 shall undertake the full rehabilitation and upgrading as an all-weather road of  
3 the Roman Superhighway in the Province of Bataan, stretching from the  
4 Municipality of Dinalupihan to the Municipality of Mariveles. Thereafter, the  
5 DPWH shall be responsible for the maintenance of the Roman Superhighway and  
6 shall ensure that it remains safe and optimally serviceable.

7           **SEC. 2.** The DPWH, in coordination with the Region III Office of the  
8 Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Provincial  
9 Government of Bataan, shall evaluate and assess the current condition of the  
10 Roman Superhighway to identify the necessary engineering works to be  
11 undertaken for the upgrading of the said road. Relative thereto, a feasibility study  
12 shall be conducted by the DPWH to primarily plan the extent and duration of the

1 full rehabilitation, upgrading, and maintenance of the Roman Superhighway into  
2 an all-weather road.

3 **SEC. 3.** As a fully rehabilitated and upgraded all-weather road, the Roman  
4 Superhighway shall have the following characteristics:

- 5 (a) Maintains trafficability by all types of vehicles under all kinds of  
6 weather conditions including during torrential rains and flooding; and
- 7 (b) Maintains optimal trafficability under high vehicular load.

8 **SEC. 4.** Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DPWH,  
9 in consultation with the DENR Region III, the Provincial Government of Bataan,  
10 private sector experts, and other stakeholders, shall promulgate the necessary  
11 rules and regulations for the proper and effective implementation of this Act. In  
12 formulating the said rules and regulations, the characteristics indicated in  
13 Section 3 of this Act shall be further defined in consideration of local  
14 environmental conditions.

15 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Public Works and Highways shall include in the  
16 department's program the improvement, repair and maintenance of the Roman  
17 Superhighway, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General  
18 Appropriations Act.

19 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in  
20 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,