

El PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en contra, digan no. (*Silencio.*) Aprobado.
Léase el Proyecto de Ley No. 625 de la Cámara.

CREACIÓN DE UN NUEVO MUNICIPIO EN LA PROVINCIA DE MASBATE

El CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

HOUSE BILL NO. 625

[Introduced by Representative Marcada]

EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is proposed in the attached bill to create an additional municipality in the Province of Masbate. It will be formed out of these remote barrios now belonging to the municipality of Milagros and will be called the municipality of Balud.

Said barrios are located in isolated regions about thirty kilometers from Milagros. There is no road connecting them with the población. The places lying between these barrios and Milagros are isolated and during rainy season are almost impassable. For these reasons the inhabitants of the barrios are not only deprived of a ready police protection and prompt municipal health service but also are rendered helpless to regularly transact business with the municipal government.

The establishment of the new municipality of Balud will not only secure protection to life and property in Balud and nearby barrios but will also open the way toward a rapid development of the regions in the western part of Masbate.

In view of the above reasons the enclosed bill is submitted to the House for approval.

(Sgd.) EDUARDO MARCAIDA
Representative for Masbate

AN ACT CREATING AN ADDITIONAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE PROVINCE OF MASBATE, TO BE KNOWN AS THE MUNICIPALITY OF BALUD, OUT OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF MILAGROS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. A new municipality is hereby created in the Province of Masbate, to be called the municipality of Balud. The new municipality of Balud shall consist of the present barrios of Balud, Canomoy, Jintotolo, Jangan, Mandaon, and Pulanduta, which are hereby declared separated from the municipality of Milagros in the same province. The seat of municipal government of the new municipality shall be at Balud.

SEC. 2. The provisions of the Administrative Code and regulatory acts thereto, in so far as they are applicable to regularly organized municipality, shall apply to the Government and operation of the municipality of Balud and to the election and appointment of the officers thereof. The municipal election for the new municipality of Balud shall be held at the next general election and, until the officials elected for the said municipality shall have qualified, the present organization of the municipality of Milagros shall continue.

SEC. 3. The funds and obligations and the property of the present municipality of Milagros shall, upon the establishment of the new municipality of Balud, be distributed equitably between the two municipalities by the Insular Auditor.

SEC. 4. The Act shall take effect on its approval.
Approved,

El PRESIDENTE. Tiene la palabra el Comité.
Sr. TORRALBA. Si no hay objeción, pido que el proyecto sea aprobado.

El PRESIDENTE. ¿Puede votarse el proyecto?

La CÁMARA. Sí.

El PRESIDENTE. Léase el título del proyecto.

El CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

An Act creating an additional municipality in the Province of Masbate, to be known as the municipality of Balud, out of the municipality of Milagros.

El PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en favor del proyecto, digan sí.

La CÁMARA. Sí.

El PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en contra, digan no. (*Silencio.*) Aprobado.

Está en orden el Proyecto de Ley No. 1681 de la Cámara.

CREACIÓN DE UN NUEVO MUNICIPIO EN LA PROVINCIA DE SURIGAO

El CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1681

[Introduced by Representative Ortiz]

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The purpose of the attached bill is to reestablish the former municipality of Tagana-an which has been in existence during the Spanish regime until the year 1906 when its territory was divided between the present municipalities of Surigao and Placer by the annexation of the barrio of San Jose and the *sitios* of Kabongbongan, Navago and Panalsalan to Surigao, and the barrios of Tagana-an, Talavera, Bamban, and Himamaug to Placer. The interest and welfare of these barrios demand that they be organized as in former times into one independent municipality. These barrios are very far from the municipalities of Surigao and Placer and the only means of communication is by sea, which is often times perilous. Due to their distance from either the municipality of Surigao or Placer the said barrios have neglected and its was rare that the same were given any amount for public works by the mother municipalities. It is for these reasons that the inhabitants of the above named barrios have always been clamoring for separation from the municipalities of Placer and Surigao and for their organization into one independent municipality in order to be able to attend properly to their own affairs and interests and to do all the improvements possible within their own territory.

The proposed municipality of Tagana-an has a population of four thousand people and counts with sufficient income to maintain and support the administration of local government. At present the municipality has a municipal building with a plaza of one hectare. In front, a concrete school building likewise with its corresponding plaza of one hectare, a municipal cemetery and a site near the bank of the river especially appropriate for a market, all of which are owned by the barrios of Tagana-an.

Approval of this bill is urgently recommended.

(Sgd.) MONTANO A. ORTIZ
Representative for Surigao

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF MUNICIPALITIES OF THE PROVINCE OF SURIGAO FROM SEVENTEEN TO EIGHTEEN, BY SEGREGATING FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF SURIGAO THE BARRIO OF SAN JOSE AND THE SITIOS OF KABONGBONGAN, NAVAGO, AND PANALSALAN, AND FROM THE MUNICIPALITY OF PLACER, THE BARRIOS OF TAGANA-AN, TALAVERA, BAMBAN, AND HIMAMAUG, AND ORGANIZING THEM INTO AN INDEPENDENT MUNICIPALITY OF TAGANA-AN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. The seventeen municipalities of the Province of Surigao as has already been established and organized shall in accordance with the provisions of this Act be increased to eighteen by separating the barrio of San Jose and the *sitios* of Kabongbongan, Navago, and Panalsalan from the municipality of Surigao, and the barrios of Tagana-an, Talavera, Bamban and Himamaug from the municipality of Placer, which are hereby organized as an independent municipality of "Tagana-an," with a seat of municipal government in the barrio of Pagana-an. The municipality of Su-

rigao shall consist of its present territory less the territory comprised in the barrio of San Jose and the sitios of Kabongbongan, Navago, and Panalsalan. The municipality of Placer shall consist of its present territory less the territory comprised in the barrios of Tagana-an, Talavera, Bambang, and Himamaug. The municipality of Tagana-an shall consist of the territory comprised in the barrios and sitios above named.

SEC. 2. Elective municipal officials of the newly organized municipality of Tagana-an shall be appointed as soon as this Act is approved, by the Governor-General with the consent of the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Provincial Board of Surigao and shall hold office until their successors are duly elected and qualified in accordance with the Election Law. The organization of the municipality of Tagana-an shall not affect the political organization of the municipalities of Placer and Surigao, whose present municipal officials shall continue holding their offices until their successors are duly qualified.

SEC. 3. All the provisions of the Administrative Code as amended which are applicable to regular municipalities shall also govern the new municipality of Tagana-an.

SEC. 4. The funds and obligations as well as the properties that shall correspond to the municipalities of Surigao and Placer and the new municipality of Tagana-an shall be equitably distributed between the three municipalities in the form and manner recommended by the Insular Auditor and approved by the Governor-General.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on its approval.

Approved,

EL PRESIDENTE. Tiene la palabra el Comité.

Sr. GULLAS. Pido que el proyecto sea aprobado en tercera lectura.

EL PRESIDENTE. ¿Puede votarse el proyecto?

LA CÁMARA. Sí.

EL PRESIDENTE. Léase el título del proyecto.

EL CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

An Act to increase the number of municipalities of the Province of Surigao from seventeen to eighteen, by segregating from the municipality of Surigao the barrio of San Jose and the sitios of Kabongbongan, Navago and Panalsalan and from the municipality of Placer, the barrios of Tagana-an, Talavera, Bambang, and Himamaug, and organizing them into an independent municipality of Tagana-an, and for other purposes.

EL PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en favor del proyecto, digan sí.

LA CÁMARA. Sí.

EL PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en contra, digan no. (Silencio.) Aprobado.

Está en orden el Proyecto de Ley No. 234 del Senado.

CAMBIO DEL NOMBRE DEL BARRIO CUTING, POZORRUBIO, PANGASINAN

El CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

SENATE BILL NO. 234

[Introduced by Senator Oslas]

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This measure is presented in compliance with the wishes of the inhabitants of the barrio of Cuting and the people of Pozorrubio, Pangasinan, of which this barrio is a part. The name proposed is in honor of Don Benito Magno, as a token of gratitude on the part of the inhabitants of the municipality which he hoped established.

(Sgd.) CAMILO OSIAS

Senator for the Second District

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CHANGE OF THE NAME OF THE BARRIO OF CUTING, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF POZORRUBIO, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN, TO DON BENITO, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Legislature assembled and by the authority of the same:

SECTION 1. The name of the barrio of Cuting, municipality of Pozorrubio, Province of Pangasinan, is hereby changed to Don Benito, and after the approval of this Act, all territory comprised in the jurisdiction of said barrio of Cuting shall be called Don Benito, as herein provided.

SEC. 2. This Act shall take effect on its approval.

Approved,

EL PRESIDENTE. Tiene la palabra el Comité.

Sr. DE LA CRUZ. Si no hay objeción, pido que el proyecto sea aprobado.

EL PRESIDENTE. ¿Puede votarse el proyecto?

LA CÁMARA. Sí.

EL PRESIDENTE. Léase el título del proyecto.

EL CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

An Act providing for the change of the name of the barrio of Cuting, in the municipality of Pozorrubio, Province of Pangasinan, to Don Benito, and for other purposes.

EL PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en favor del proyecto, digan sí.

LA CÁMARA. Sí.

EL PRESIDENTE. Los que estén en contra, digan no. (Silencio.) Aprobado.

Está en orden el Proyecto de Ley No. 1705 de la Cámara.

CREACIÓN DE UN NUEVO MUNICIPIO EN LA PROVINCIA DE ANTIQUE

El CLERK DE ACTAS, leyendo:

PROYECTO DE LEY NO 1705 DE LA CÁMARA

[Presentado por el Representante Moscoco]

NOTA EXPLICATIVA

Los antiguos pueblos de Antique y Guintas que ahora forman parte de la cabecera de San José, provincia de Antique, como sus arrabales, han estado urgiendo su separación de este último municipio porque la distancia de dichos arrabales a la población de San José, en donde tiene su asiento el gobierno municipal, es enorme. Dichos arrabales tienen ingresos suficientes para formar un nuevo municipio y su organización daría lugar a que se atiendan mejor sus necesidades. En cambio, permaneciendo como tales, apenas reciben la porción suficiente de los fondos municipales para promover su adelanto y mejoramiento. El orden público sufre igualmente por la falta de vigilancia necesaria de parte de los agentes de autoridad a causa de la gran extensión que ahora comprende el municipio de San José. La separación de dichos arrabales y su organización en un nuevo municipio están recomendadas por la Junta Provincial de Antique.

Por estas consideraciones, se presenta el adjunto proyecto de ley.

(Fdo.) SEGUNDO C. MOSCOCO
Representante por Antique

LEY AUMENTANDO A CATORCE EL NÚMERO DE MUNICIPIOS DE LA PROVINCIA DE ANTIQUE MEDIANTE LA ORGANIZACIÓN DE LOS ARRABALES DE ANTIQUE Y GUINTAS DE LA CABECERA DE SAN JOSÉ, EN UN NUEVO MUNICIPIO.

El Senado y la Cámara de Representantes de Filipinas constituidos en Legislatura y por autoridad de la misma decretan:

ARTÍCULO 1. Por la presente se segregan de la jurisdicción del municipio de San José sus arrabales de Antique y Guintas, los cuales formarán un nuevo municipio cuya extensión territorial comprenderá toda la jurisdicción que le correspondía antes de su fusión al municipio de San José. El nuevo municipio así creado se denominará General Fullon, y el asiento del gobierno municipal estará en la población del arrabal de Antique.