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Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
REGIONAL LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
Cotabato City

EIGHT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
First Regular Session

[MUSLIM MINDANAO AUTONOMY ACT NO. 312]

Begun and held in Cotabato City, on Monday, the twenty-second day of July 2013.

**AN ACT CREATING THE FIRST ENGINEERING DISTRICT OF THE
DPWH-ARMM IN THE PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Be it enacted by the Regional Assembly in session assembled:

Section 1. The First Engineering District in the DPWH-ARMM in the Province of Maguindanao is hereby created to exercise and perform functions that shall be similar to any regular engineering district of the Department of Public Works and Highways.

Sec. 2. The First Engineering District shall operate in the Municipalities of Barira, Buldon, Matanog, Parang, Sultan Mastura, Sultan Kudarat, Kabuntalan, Northern Kabuntalan, Datu Odin Sinsuat, Upi and Datu Blah Sinsuat with district office at Tamontaka, Datu Odin Sinsuat, Maguindanao particularly in the erstwhile Regional Equipment Service Office of the DPWH Region XII.

Sec. 3. The First Engineering District, as established, shall be headed by a District Engineer to be assisted by an Assistant Engineer who shall be appointed by the Secretary of DPWH-ARMM in accordance with the Civil Service law, rules and regulations.

The district office shall maintain a plantilla of personnel with corresponding annual budget that shall be included in the DPWH-ARMM annual budget appropriation.

Sec. 4. The First Engineering District shall operate under the control and supervision of the DPWH-ARMM Secretary and shall be responsible for the construction, maintenance and repair of entire network of roads or highways, bridges, as well as other public works and programs, in its area of operation.

Sec. 5. The district shall be entitled to per centum of funds allocated for each project for administrative purposes as authorized by law.

Sec. 6. The assets and liabilities of the existing Engineering District of Maguindanao shall be deemed absorbed, including appropriations and capital equipment thereof which shall be determined by a committee, to be created and constituted for the purpose by the DPWH-ARMM Secretary, which shall be composed of one (1) representative of the Secretary of the DPWH-ARMM, one (1) from the RLA, the Chairman of the Committee on Public Works & Highways, the First District Engineer, the Second District Engineer and one (1) from the Sanguniang Panlalawigan - the Chairman of the Committee on Infrastructure.

Sec. 7. The incumbent district engineer and assistant district engineer shall be extended the privilege of priority assignment.

Sec. 8. All regional laws, orders or memoranda inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Sec. 9. This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of regional circulation.

APPROVED.

(SGD) DATU ROONIE Q. SINSUAT
Speaker

This Act was passed by the Regional Legislative Assembly on March 05, 2014.

(SGD) ATTY. AISA L. PENDINATAR
Secretary-General

APPROVED:

(SGD) MUJIV S. HATAMAN
Regional Governor
Date: _____

Lapsed into law on April 13, 2014 pursuant to Section 17, Article VI of Republic Act No. 9054.