



**COMMITTEE REPORT  
PEACE AND ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Agenda No. 089** - Provincial Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_ Series of 2022 entitled, “ORDINANCE MANDATING ALL MOTORISTS TO OBSERVE THE TRAFFIC RULES AND REGULATIONS ON THE USE OF SLOW LANE AND FAST LANE ALONG BATAAN PROVINCIAL EXPRESSWAY OR THE ROMAN SUPERHIGHWAY, AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF.”

In order to emphasize the purpose of this draft ordinance, the title is hereby revised to “ORDINANCE MANDATING SLOW-MOVING VEHICLES ON THE ROMAN SUPERHIGHWAY TO USE THE RIGHT LANE AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION THEREOF.”

As backgrounder, the said proposed ordinance was initiated in 2021 and two previous meetings were conducted on March 16 and June 1, 2022. Furthermore, a committee meeting was held on September 28, 2022, which was attended by the Committee on Peace and Order and Public Safety, other Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members, and the different representatives from the concerned departments and offices, namely, Metro Bataan Development Authority, Land Transportation Office, Provincial Legal Office, and Department of Public Works and Highways. All attendees articulated their views and comments in support of the proposed ordinance.

Section 54 of the Republic Act No. 4136, provides that “[n]o person shall drive his motor vehicle in such a manner as to obstruct or impede the passage of any vehicle.” The Committee aims to ensure smooth traffic flow, public safety, and avoid accidents and inconveniences along the Roman Superhighway by means of directing slow-moving vehicles to be driven in the right-hand lane. It further directs vehicle to yield to faster-moving vehicles by moving to the right lane.

In light of the support for the proposed ordinance, the committee recommends the approval on the second reading upon suspension of rules. The committee further recommends that Board Member ANTONINO B. ROMAN III be recognized as Co-Sponsor of the proposed ordinance upon suspension of rules.

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