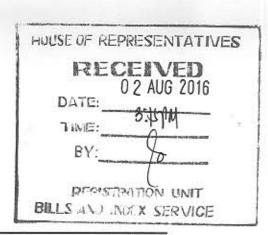
Republic of the Philippines HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Quezon City

SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS First Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 2317



INTRODUCED BY REP. MAXIMO B. DALOG

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to exclude from the operation of Proclamation No. 217, Series of 1929, otherwise known as "The Central Cordillera Forest Reserve," a certain portion of land embraced therein and declare the same alienable and disposable under Section 4 of Republic Act No. 10023, otherwise known as "Residential Free Patent Act" in favor of the Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital located in Abatan, Bauko, Mountain Province.

The Luis Hora Regional Memorial Hospital (LHRMH) in Abatan, Bauko, Mountain Province came into existence on June 22, 1957 by virtue of Republic Act 1806 and was then known as Mountain Province General Hospital.

In 1962, the Bureau of Forestry and the Department of Health signed a formal lease contract renewable after twenty five (25) years for the lease of about 7.1 hectares of the public land situated at Abatan, Bauko, Mountain Province exclusively for hospital purposes which led the construction of the hospital facilities.

It started as a small hospital which catered primarily to patients in the municipalities of Bauko, Tadian and Sabangan, all in Mountain Province. As the years went by, there was a need to provide better health services and health facilities. On April 27, 1992, RA 7445 was signed into law increasing its bed capacity to a 75-bed capacity status.

With the expanding need for more effective medical services catering to patients from all over the Cordillera Region to include the other municipalities of Mountain Province and some municipalities in Region I, Benguet Province and Kalinga Province, it was elevated to a Regional Hospital of the Cordillera Region to cater health services to the northern part of Benguet, southern part of Ifugao, eastern part of Kalinga, the northern part of Abra and the neighboring municipalities of Ilocos Sur.

With the recent issuance of the Implementing rules and Regulations of RA 7445 last June 9, 2014, there is a continued increase in the number of patients being served. A corresponding improvement in the facilities have also been made. In fact, a Dialysis Center is now being constructed within the premises of the hospital and just last year the Department of Health proposed the establishment of a Drug Abuse Treatment and Rehabilitation Center for the Cordillera Administrative Region to be located within the area leased by LHRMH. One of the conditions set forth for the approval of the said Rehabilitation is that the lot must be titled and owned by the hospital. However, up to this time, the LHRMH still leases the lot where all the buildings and facilities are erected as the area is covered by the Central Cordillera forest reserve.

In view of the vital role of the Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital in the efficient and effective delivery of health services to the people in the Cordillera Region and its neighboring municipalities, approval of the bill is earnestly sought.

MAXIMO B. DALOG

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Introduced by: HON. MAXIMO B. DALOG

AN ACT

TO EXCLUDE FROM THE OPERATION OF PROCLAMATION NO. 217, SERIES OF 1929, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CENTRAL CORDILLERA FOREST RESERVE, A CERTAIN PORTION OF LAND EMBRACED THEREIN AND DECLARE THE SAME ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE UNDER SECTION 4 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10023, (RESIDENTIAL FREE PATENT ACT) DATED MARCH 9, 2010, IN FAVOR OF THE LUIS HORA MEMORIAL REGIONAL HOSPITAL LOCATED IN ABATAN, BAUKO, MOUNTAIN PROVINCE FOR HOSPITAL PURPOSES.

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

- Section 1. It is hereby declared the policy of the state to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them
- Sec. 2. A certain portion of the Central Cordillera Forest Reserve covered by Proclamation No. 217, Series of 1929 is hereby excluded therefrom and declared open to disposition under the provisions of Section 4 of Republic Act No. 10023, "An Act Authorizing the Issuance of Free Patents to Residential Lands," in favour of the Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital located at Abatan, Bauko, Mountain Province, which had herein continuous possession and occupation openly and adversely and in the concept of an owner for more than fifty (50) years or since time immemorial to the present had been subject to the condition that hereunder

described parcel of land shall be used exclusively for hospital purposes only, as follows:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION SP-CAR-000203 LUIS HORA MEMORIAL REGIONAL HOSPITAL

A parcel of land (SP-CAR-000203) being a portion of Lot 1, Swo-134402-000442-Amd., situated at rurban code 134402, Barangay of Poblacion, Municipality of Bauko, Province of Mt. Province, Island of Luzon. Bounded on the Sw., & NW., along lines 29-1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8 by Lot 2, Swo-134402-000442-Amd.; on the NW., along lines 8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15 by National Road (60.00 m. wide); on the NE., along lines 15-16-17-18-19-20 by Public Land; on the SE., along lines 20-21 by ASTERIO PAGTEILAN. Psu-222522; on the SE., along lines 21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29 by Provincial Road (30.00 m. wide).

Beginning at a point marked "1" on the plan being S. 68 deg. 21 min. W., 1842,86 m. from **BLLM No. 2, MUN. OF BAUKO, MT. PROVINCE**, to corner "1", thence:

N. 67 deg. 41 min. W., 5.74 m. to point 2; 3.93 m. to point 3; N. 00 17 min. E., deg. N. 17 53 min. W., 46.34 m. to point 4; deg. N. 36 deg. 06, min. E., 66.12 m. to point 5; 33 min. E., 25.02 m. to point 6; N. 48 deg. 5.43 m. to point 7; S. 74 44 min. W., deg. 19.32 m. to point 8; N. 10 deg. 46 min. W., N. 53 59 min. E., 79.11 m. to point 9; deg. 69 25 min. E., 17.33 m. to point 10; deg. 02 deg. 26 min. E., 3.05 m. to point 11: 50.96 m. to point 12: S. 59 12 min. E., deg. N. 83 01 min. E., 32.]8 m. to point 13; deg. 37 min. E., 29,41 m. to point 14; 46 N. deg. N. 12 deg. 45 min. E., 36.06 m. to point 15: 89 46 min. E., 60.46 m. to point 16; deg. 42.06 m. to point 17; N. 86 deg. 41 min. E., S. 67 deg. 24 min. E., 12.15 m. to point 18; 45 deg. 09 min. E. 70.07 m. to point 19; 43 9.62 m. to point 20; 14 min. E., deg. 11 deg. 04 min. W., 48.40 m. to point 21; S. 66 deg. 01 min. W., 78.12 m. to point 22;



12.26 m. to point 23; deg. 43, min. W., 57 47 min. W,, deg. 83.11 m. to point 24; 65 deg. 43 min. W., 63.09 m. to point 25; S., 83 deg. 34 min. W., 103.60 m. to point 26; 73 deg. 03 min. W., 36.29 m. to point 27; 88 deg. 34 min. W., 29.47 m. to point 28; 05 min. W, 3.98 m. to point 29; deg. 37 min. E., 5.21 m. to point of beginning. deg.

Containing an area FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED FORTY TWO (57,942) sq. m. more or less. All points are marked on the ground by PS cyl. conc. mons. 15x40 cms., except cor. 21 by Old P.S. cyl. Conc. mons. 15x60 cms. Bearings: GRID: Date of survey on May 27, 2014; executed by Engr. Andres A. Tindungan and was approved on May 29, 2014.

- **Sec. 3.** The Land Management Services of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources is hereby directed to conduct a validation survey of the land under this Act and to effect the issuance of a Special Patent in favour of the Luis Hora Memorial Regional Hospital.
- **Sec. 4.** All laws and decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- Sec. 5. This Act shall effect fifteen(15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved