

Republic of the Philippines House of Representatives Quezon City, Metro Manila



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS First Regular Session

> 4170 H. B. No.

Introduced by Representative TEODORICO "NONONG" T. HARESCO, JR.

### AN ACT

APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE BILLION ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TEN THOUSAND PESOS (\$\perp\$1,161,710,000.00) AS SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

On July 15, 2019, Aklan Provincial Governor Florencio T. Miraflores declared a dengue outbreak in Province of Aklan due to the spike of dengue cases therein. Such declaration was made after the report according to the Provincial Health Office that there are already about 2,121 dengue cases in Province of Aklan. This figure is 157% higher than the 824 cases recorded during the same period in 2018. The numbers are telling: Poblacion, Kalibo, has the most number of dengue cases (49), followed by Tigayon, Kalibo, with 35; Estancia Kalibo with 19; Man-up in Altavas with 21; Cawayan and Ochando in New Washington with 20 cases each; and Manoc-Manoc in Malay and Tamalagon in Tangalan with 17 cases each.

On the same day, Department of Health Secretary Francisco T. Duque III declared a National Dengue Alert because the dengue cases continued to rise not only in the Province of Aklan, but in the entire archipelago. From January to June 29, 2019 alone, there were about 106,630 dengue cases reported in the entire country – 85% more than the 57,564 cases reported from the same period in 2018.

There is an urgent need for the Department of Health to monitor and provide treatment to the patients diagnosed with Dengue. To capacitate the Department of Health in doing so, this bill seeks to appropriate a supplemental budget for the Fiscal Year 2019 for the monitoring, diagnosis and treatment, rehabilitation of dengue patients. The immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

SECTION 1. Appropriations. - The sum of One Billion One Hundred Sixty-One Million
Seven Hundred Ten Thousand Pesos (₱1,161,710,000.00) is hereby appropriated out of
any funds in the National Treasury of the Philippines not otherwise appropriated, as
supplemental appropriations for the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget.

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**SEC. 2**. Assistance to Dengue Patients. – The amount herein appropriated to fund the assistance to the dengue patients shall be used exclusively for the following programs, projects and activities:

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(a) Medical assistance program for dengue patients, whether confined or outpatient	₽	945,828,000.00
(b) Public health management (assessment and monitoring of dengue patients, including		
the acquisition of supplies and medicines:		149 206 000 00
Provided, That, not more than Twenty-Five Million Pesos (₱25,000,000.00) shall be used		148,296,000.00
for the procurement of dengue patients assistance cards)		
(c) Human resources for health deployment		67,586,000.00
Total	₽	1,161,710,000.00

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**SEC. 3.** *Use and Release of Funds.* – The amount appropriated shall be released by the Department of Budget and Management to the Department of Health in accordance with budgeting, accounting and auditing laws, rules and regulations. The Department of Health shall issue the guidelines necessary for the proper implementation of the foregoing activities and/or projects for the benefit of dengue patients.

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SEC. 4. Applicability of General and Special Provisions in the Fiscal Year 2019 General 2 Appropriations Act. - The amounts herein appropriated shall be used for the purposes 3 indicated and subject to the relevant special and general provisions under Republic Act 4 Number 11260 or the Fiscal Year 2019 General Appropriations Act. 5 6 SEC. 5. Availability of Appropriations. - The appropriations authorized in this Act shall 7 be available for release and obligation for the purposes specified from the date of the 8 effectivity of this Act until fully spent. 9 10 SEC. 6. Separability Clause. - If, for any reason or reasons, any part or provisions of this Act shall be declared as unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts or provisions hereof 11 12 which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect. 13 14 SEC. 7. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect immediately upon its publication. 15

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