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HOUSE BILL NO.



Introduced by Representative Michael L. Romero

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The State recognizes the urgent need of affiliated facility offering a broad range of clinical services for both specialized and alternative medical care.

The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health awareness among them.

It is imperative to create and implement an integrated and comprehensive approach to medical development that shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other medical services available to all the people at affordable cost and to provide free medical care.

This House Bill seeks to create a Clark Medical Hub, to provide medical care and services to all in a wide variety of specialized and alternative medical methods.

Thus, the early passage of this bill is earnestly requested.

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AN ACT

CREATING THE CLARK MEDICAL HUB, PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

- **SECTION 1. DECLARATION OF POLICY** It is hereby a declared policy of the state to provide sustainable funding for medical services and activities, encourage collaboration of national and local agencies and institutions in achieving a proficient medical program and approach.
- SECTION 2. CREATION OF THE CLARK MEDICAL HUB There shall hereby be provided a 10-hectare medical hub at the Clark Development Corporation (CDC) area.

This Medical Hub shall house **five (5) health specialization facilities** with a minimum bed capacity of 300.

The health specialization facilities shall accommodate paying patients as well as those under charitable programs

The five (5) Medical facilities are the following:

- 1. Clark Cancer Center
- 2. Clark Children Center
- 3. Clark Kidney Center
- 4. Clark Heart Center
- 5. Clark Lung Center

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - The state shall hereby appropriate Two Billion pesos (*P2,000,000,000.00) that shall be used exclusively for the mandates, programs, activities and objectives of this act.

The amount of Two Billion pesos (\$\mathbb{P}2,000,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated from the annual General Appropriations Act (GAA) on the year of the effectivity of this Act, and every year thereafter.

Additional requirements shall be charged to the appropriations under the current Clark Development Corporation.

Thereafter, such sum as may be needed for the continued implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual *General Appropriations Act (GAA)*.

SECTION 4. MANDATE OF THE CLARK MEDICAL HUB:

- 1. Rationalizing resources and support for workers;
- 2. Accelerate medical services and promotions;
- 3. Institutionalize Research and Development of health policies and guidelines;
- 4. Foster supportive schemes; and
- 5. Promote inter-agency and inter-sectoral relations

SECTION 5. **RELEASE OF FUNDING** – The funds referred to shall be hereby appropriated and automatically released in favor of the **Clark Medical Hub**, for the effective implementation of this Act.

- **SECTION 6. TRANSITORY PROVISION** Existing industries, businesses and offices affected by the implementation of this Act shall be given six **(6)** months transitory period from the effectivity of the IRR or such other period as may be determined, to comply with the requirements of this Act.
- **SECTION 7. IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The departments and agencies charged with carrying out the provisions of this Act shall, within sixty **(60)** days after the effectivity of this Act, formulate the necessary rules and regulations for its effective implementation.
- **SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE**. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
- **SECTION 9. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE**. If, for any reason, any section or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, the other sections or provisions hereof shall not be affected thereby.
- **SECTION 10. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE**. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation whichever comes earlier.

Approved,