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Quezon City, Metro Manila



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

First Regular Session

House Bill No. 3067

Introduced by Honorable ALFONSO V. UMALI JR.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The 1987 Constitution Section 15, Article II provides that, "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them."

This bill seeks to convert the Oriental Mindoro Central District Hospital (OMCDH) of the province of Oriental Mindoro into provincial hospital as a necessary consequence of the proposed conversion of the Oriental Mindoro Provincial Hospital (OMPH) into MIMAROPA Regional Hospital.

In compliance with the Rationalization Plan for effective and efficient hospital operation, the Oriental Mindoro Central District Hospital (OMCDH) was established on August 1, 2013, as a result of the merging of Gloria Medicare Hospital and Pinamalayan Community Hospital.

Similar to the OMPH, the OMCDH is one of hospitals managed by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro specifically under the supervision of the Chief of Hospital, Guillermo A. Gonzales, MD, MHA, FICS. It is constructed in a 5,000 square meter lot strategically located at Strong Republic Nautical Highway in Brgy. Papandayan, Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro, approximately 70km away from the port of Calapan City.

The OMCDH serves as the core referral Hospital of the central inter-local health zone primarily catering an estimated populace of

250,000 coming from various municipalities in the Province of Oriental Mindoro namely, Pinamalayan, Pola, Socorro, Gloria and Bansud, and even from the Municipality of Concepcion in the Province of Romblon.

Based on the new guidelines for hospital licensing, the OMCDH has been re-classified as an Infirmary facility licensed by the Department of Health (DOH) and duly accredited by the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PhilHealth) with 25 licensed beds and 50 implementing beds. The OMCDH has two operating theaters with anesthesia machines for major surgical operation procured when it was previously upgraded to a First Level hospital. Further, the hospital also has a delivery room, Level II licensed laboratory X-ray machine, an accredited animal bite center, with 24hours pharmacy and even providing Maternal, Newborn, Child Health and Nutrition (MNCHN) services including family planning, prenatal, natal and post-natal care.

However, it is glaring that the ratio of the OMCDH's bed capacity vis-à-vis the population of the areas it actually serves is awfully disproportionate. Consideration must also be given to the rapidly increasing population of the Province of Oriental Mindoro, the needs for health care services also rapidly increase.

The increase in bed capacity and upgrading of OMCDH to a provincial hospital is unquestionably indispensable in improving the quality of health services being provided by the provincial government and will ensure that the poorest Mindoreño have access to affordable and effective health care. With the passage of this legislative measure, the people of the Province of Oriental Mindoro can have access to a quality and affordable health care that shall pave the way for them to have a better life in the future.

In view thereof, early consideration and approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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Introduced by Honorable ALFONSO V. UMALI, JR.

AN ACT CONVERTING THE ORIENTAL MINDORO CENTRAL DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN PINAMALAYAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO TO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS ORIENTAL MINDORO PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL AND TO INCREASE THE BED CAPACITY TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

- **SECTION 1**. The Oriental Mindoro Cental District Hospital in Brgy. Papandayan, Pinamalayan, Oriental Mindoro, shall be converted into a provincial hospital to be known as "Oriental Mindoro Provincial Hospital (OMPH)." Accordingly, its bed capacity shall increase from twenty-five (25) to one hundred fifty (150) beds.
- **SECTION 2.** The existing service facilities, medical equipments and professional health care services are also hereby upgraded to conform with and commensurate to the increase of bed capacity as provided in Section 1 of this Act.
- **SECTION 3.** The Department of Health, in coordination with the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro, the Department of Budget and Management and Civil Service Commission, shall determine the additional *plantilla* positions to be created and filled up in the implementation of this Act.

SECTION 4. The Department of Health, also, shall promulgate the rules and regulations necessary for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 5. The increase in bed capacity of the OMPH from twenty-five (25) to one hundred fifty (150) beds shall be implemented within the period of two (2) years from the approval of this Act.

SECTION 6. The amount necessary to carry out the provision of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.