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### EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

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House Bill No. \_\_\_\_\_3068



# Introduced by Honorable ALFONSO V. UMALI JR.

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

In the current health care system in the country, community hospitals play significant role in the delivery of health services to the communities. In many areas, community hospitals take full charge in the delivery of medical and health assistance and providing care for patients in the least dependent setting for their needs. It provides an appropriate range of accessible health care facilities and resources designed to meet the needs of the local people.

The Bulalacao Community Hospital was created by Republic Act No. 6910 during the 8th Congress and is the only hospital in the Municipality of Bulalacao, the southernmost municipality in the Province of Oriental Mindoro. It is a 10-bed community hospital; however, in reality, it has long been accommodating fifty (50) to eighty (80) patients coming from various nearby municipalities in the Provinces of Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro. The lack of beds and beddings adds burden to the medical staff that needs to prioritize the patients in critical and emergency cases. The provision of additional beds and beddings in the Bulalacao Community Hospital will certainly be a great help to the hospital and will redound to the benefits of the patients it serves.

This legislation aims to provide the Bulalacao Community Hospital with an increased bed capacity from ten (10) to fifty (50) beds in order to create a more responsive health institution that will address the pressing medical needs of the people, more particularly the poor and the marginalized of society.

In view thereof, immediate approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE BULALACAO COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BULALACAO, PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO FROM TEN (10) TO FIFTY (50) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

**SECTION 1**. The bed capacity of the Bulalacao Community Hospital in the Municipality of Bulalacao, Province of Oriental Mindoro, is hereby increased from **TEN (10) BEDS TO FIFTY (50) BEDS**.

**SECTION 2.** Appropriation. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment.

**SECTION 3.** Separability Clause. Should any provision herein be declared unconstitutional, the same shall not affect the validity of other provisions of this Act.

**SECTION 4.** Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

**SECTION 5.** *Effectivity.* - 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.