

Republic of the Philippines  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
Quezon City

**SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS**  
First Regular Session

House Bill No. **3142**

**Introduced by Representative Estrellita B. Suansing**



**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Memorial Research and Medical Center Extension Hospital in the Municipality of Talavera, Province of Nueva Ecija, from fifty beds to one hundred beds.

Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Memorial Research and Medical Center Extension Hospital, or simply known as "PJG", provide quality health care services to the residents of the municipality and its neighboring areas.

PJG's bed capacity has previously been increased from ten beds to its current fifty beds capacity by virtue of Republic Act No. 8527 enacted on February 14, 1998. During that time, the municipality had a population of 85,797<sup>1</sup>. Eighteen years later, PJG still has the same bed capacity, but the population has grown to 124,829<sup>2</sup>. Hence, the need to increase PJG's bed capacity in order to accommodate the growing number of persons seeking medical care.

This legislative measure is consistent with our government's program to improving the quality of life through promotion and implementation of universal health care for its people.

Henceforth, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

  
**ESTRELLITA B. SUANSING**  
1<sup>st</sup> District, Nueva Ecija

<sup>1</sup> 1995 NSO Census.

<sup>2</sup> 2015 NSO Census.

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**AN ACT**

**INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF DR. PAULINO J. GARCIA MEMORIAL RESEARCH AND MEDICAL CENTER EXTENSION HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TALAVERA, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA FROM FIFTY (50) BEDS TO ONE HUNDRED (100) BEDS CAPACITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

1        **SECTION 1.** The bed capacity of the Dr. Paulino J. Garcia Memorial Research  
2        and Medical Research and Medical Center Extension Hospital in the Municipality of  
3        Talavera, Province of Nueva Ecija, shall be increased from fifty (50) beds to one  
4        hundred (100) beds capacity. Said extension hospital shall be under the full  
5        administrative and technical supervision of the Department of Health.

6        **SECTION 2.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act  
7        shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act separate and distinct from  
8        the budget of the Department of Health of the year following its enactment into law  
9        and thereafter.

10       **SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

11       Approved,