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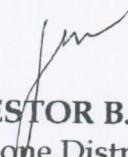
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Quality health care for every Filipinos is no doubt one of the most important legacy that we can leave for our present and future generations.

The existing Benguet General Hospital was built and completed in 2000 by Japan through JICA as a grant. Since its operation, it has been providing quality health care and other services not only to the people of Benguet, but residents of neighboring provinces like Pangasinan, La Union, Nueva Vizcaya and the other provinces of the Cordillera. It has to be mentioned that, despite the support extended by the LGU of Benguet, and subsidies from other agencies, the hospital lacks the necessary fund to upgrade the hospital and meet the growing needs of its clientele.

This proposed bill therefore seeks to increase and upgrade bed capacity of Benguet General Hospital in order to accommodate the growing number of population, and also the influx of nonresident patients availing of health care services in the said hospital.

It is therefore earnestly requested that support and approval of this measure be favorably granted.


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AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL FROM TWO HUNDRED(200) TO FOUR HUNDRED(400), UPGRADING ITS FACILITIES AND HEALTH CARE SERVICE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. The existing bed capacity of the Benguet General Hospital, La Trinidad, Benguet, is hereby increased from 200 to 400 bed capacity.

Section 2.- The existing facilities and professional healthcare services, including the number of medical personnel, other support staffs and workers are also hereby increased and upgraded in order to conform with and appropriate for the increased bed capacity as provided under Sec. 1 of this Act.

Section 3. The Department of Budget, in coordination with the Civil Service Commissions, and Board of Directors of the subject hospital, shall determine the number of *plantilla* positions to be created and filled up as mandated by this Act.

Section 4. The Secretary of the Department of Health shall include in the Department's budget and programs the implementation of this Act and shall be included in the yearly appropriations in the General Appropriations Act.

Section. 5. The mandated increase of bed capacity shall be implemented within a period of not more than three (3) years from the approval of this Act.

Section 6. The upgrading of the Benguet General Hospital as envisioned in this Act shall be without prejudice to the provisions of Benguet Provincial Ordinance No.04-90 declaring it as an Economic Enterprise.

Section 7. Repealing Clause. All laws, decrees, orders, issuances, ordinances, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, amended, or modified accordingly.

Section 7. Effectivity Clause. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED.