



Republic of the Philippines  
**House of Representatives**  
Quezon City, Metro Manila



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HOUSE BILL NO. **5464**

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**Introduced by HON. YASSER ALONTO BALINDONG**

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**AN ACT**  
**INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE UNAYAN MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL IN**  
**THE MUNICIPALITY OF BINIDAYAN, SECOND DISTRICT OF LANAO DEL SUR,**  
**FROM A TEN (10) BED CAPACITY INTO A FIFTY (50) BED CAPACITY,**  
**UPGRADING ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES,**  
**AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND**  
**APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.**

### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of the Unayan Municipal Hospital, situated in the Municipality of Binidayan in the second district of Lanao del Sur, from ten (10) bed to fifty (50) bed capacity, including the upgrading of its medical staff, medical equipment and all its facilities.

Since its initial operationalization in 1995, or after 24 years of operation, there has been no upgrading, even of its budgetary allocation although it has been functioning as a district hospital. In 2013, Unayan Hospital was accredited by the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation as a center of Safety "No Balance Billing Scheme", and its occupancy rate has tremendously gone up to 400%, making the hospital staff severely overworked, because of inadequate manpower complement. There is also congestion, overcrowding and lack of facilities to service the patients.

To ensure that the Unayan Hospital may be able to provide meaningful service to the constituents of Binidayan and other municipalities, who are mostly indigent patients relying only on Government for their medical needs, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

**SECTION 1.** The authorized bed capacity of the Unayan Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of Binidayan, 2<sup>nd</sup> district of Lanao del Sur, is hereby increased from ten (10) beds to fifty (50) beds.

**SEC 2.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Unayan Municipal Hospital are hereby upgraded to conform and be commensurate to the increase in its authorized bed capacity as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

**SEC 3.** The existing work force of the Unayan Municipal Hospital shall be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health shall, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and Civil Service Commission, and after consultation with the Unayan Municipal Hospital Authorities, determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up.

**SEC 4.** The increase in bed capacity and the corresponding services and facilities upgrade of the Unayan Municipal Hospital shall be implemented within a period of not more than two (2) years from the approval of this Act.

**SEC 5.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's Program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

**SEC 6.** The Secretary of Health shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

**SEC 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*