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## AN ACT

INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF DON EMILIO DEL VALLE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (DEDVMH) IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF UBAY, PROVINCE OF BOHOL FROM FIFTY (50) TO THREE HUNDRED (300) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS SERVICES AND FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

## EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of Don Emilio Del Valle Memorial Hospital (DEDVMH) in Ubay, Bohol from fifty (50) to three hundred (300) beds.

Article II of the Philippine Constitution provides that:

"Sec. 11. The State shall adapt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavour to make essential goods, health and other social services available to the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority

For the needs of the underprivileged, sick, elderly, disabled, women and children, the state shall endeavour to provide free medical care to paupers.

The Don Emilio Del Valle Memorial Hospital is a government hospital with 50-bed capacity which was established under R.A. No. 8693. It has been in existence for 12 years and has achieved great accomplishment in terms of infrastructure projects, procurement of hospital facilities, training and development of medical officers and personnel. DEDVMH is an ISO 9001:2008 accredited for its quality management system.

DEDVMH withstood its loyalty in providing a healthy environment not only to the people of Bohol but also to the entire region. In fact, in the past few years, it has been admitting patients beyond its bed capacity. At present, it serves around 175 patients a day in 2016 statistics. Hence, to further enhance its capacity of promoting public health and to cater to medical assistance to indigent patients, there is a need to increase its bed capacity from 50 to 300.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this measure is earnestly sought.

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

Section 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Don Emilio Del Valle
 Memorial Hospital (DEDVMH) in the Municipality of Ubay, Province of Bohol
 is hereby increase from fifty (50) to three hundred (300) beds.

4 Sec. 2. The existing services facilities and professional health care 5 services of the DEDVMH are hereby upgraded to conform with and be 6 commensurate to the bed capacity as herein provided for.

7 Sec. 3. The existing workforce shall be correspondingly increased.
8 Upon prior consultation with the DEDVMH, the Department of Health, in
9 coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and the Civil
10 Service Commission, shall determine the additional plantilla positions to be
11 created and filled up.

Sec. 4. The increase in bed capacity of the DEDVMH from fifty (50) to three hundred (300) beds shall be implemented in for a period of three (3) years from the approval of this Act.

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

5 Sec. 6. All other laws, decrees, executive orders and other 6 administrative issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the 7 provisions of this Act are hereby modified. Superseded or repealed 8 accordingly.

9 Sec. 7. This Act shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved,

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