

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE) REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES) Second Regular Session)

SENATE

S.B. No. 1734

Introduced by SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING A THIRTY (30) – BED DISTRICT SATELLITE HOSPITAL OF THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER IN BARANGAY PINILI, MUNICIPALITY ABULUG, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN VALLEY, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER – ABULUG EXTENSION SATELLITE HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. It is the policy of the state to ensure that all communities have access to quality and accessible healthcare.

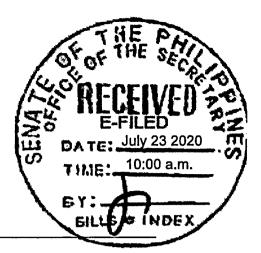
Pursuant to the aforementioned constitutional mandate, this bill proposes to establish a thirty (30) bed district satellite hospital of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center in Barangay Pinili, Municipality of Abulug, Province of Cagayan Valley, to be known as the Cagayan Valley Medical Center – Abalug Extension Satellite Hospital.

The people of the 2_{nd} District of Cagayan have been requesting for a hospital closer to their community. To avail of medical services, they rely on three major hospitals namely, Cagayan Valley Medical Center in Tuguegarao, Don Mariano Marcos Memorial Medical Center in Batac, Ilocos Norte, and Far North Luzon General Hospital in Luna, Apayao. It must be noted that these hospitals are too far to travel in case of emergencies and urgent care. Thus, the establishment of a district satellite hospital in the 2_{nd} District of Cagayan is necessary to provide its residents with accessible and quality medical care needs.

In view of the foregoing, passage of this bill 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. There is hereby established a thirty (30) – bed district satellite hospital of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center in Barangay Pinili, Municipality of Abulug, Cagayan Valley, under the supervision of the Department of Health to be known as the Cagayan Valley Medical Center – Abulug Extension Satellite Hospital.

Sec. 2. The Secretary of Health and/or his duly authorized representative, in consultation with the concerned officials of the provincial government of Cagayan Valley shall formulate and promulgate the implementing guidelines, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

Sec. 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's program the operationalization of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center – Abulug Extension Satellite Hospital, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Sec. 4. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, or other issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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Sec. 5. If any portion or provision of this act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in force and effect.

Sec. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,