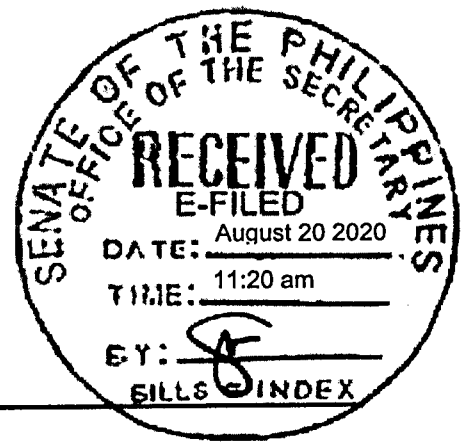


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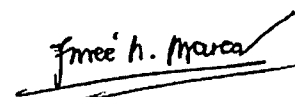
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that, "*The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.*" Hence, it is the obligation of the State to improve its delivery of health services to the people. The State must aim to make health care services accessible to the people at an affordable cost.

The Samar Provincial Hospital is a one hundred (100) bed capacity government hospital. It caters the medical needs of the people in the Province of Samar. Over the years, the Samar Provincial Hospital's number of patients admitted has greatly increased. The hospital is already catering patients beyond its capacity. Thus, the 100-bed capacity hospital can no longer adequately accommodate the increasing number of patients.

Taking into account the aforementioned concerns, this bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of Samar Provincial Hospital located in the City of Catbalogan, Province of Samar, from one hundred (100) beds to two hundred twenty (220) beds. In addition, the upgrade of its facilities and augmentation of its personnel would provide a more effective and efficient delivery of health care services to the people in accordance with the Policy of the State.

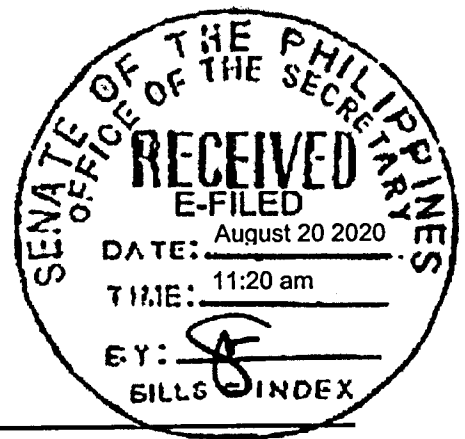
In view of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this measure is respectfully requested.



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

1 SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of Samar Provincial Hospital in the
2 Municipality of Catbalogan, Province of Samar, is hereby increased from one hundred
3 (100) to two hundred twenty (220) beds. The increase in the bed capacity shall be
4 implemented consistent with the development plan of the hospital.

5 SEC. 2. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Samar
6 Provincial Hospital are hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the
7 increase in its authorized bed capacity as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

8 SEC. 3. The existing workforce of the Samar Provincial Hospital shall also be
9 correspondingly increased. The Department of Health (DOH) shall, in coordination
10 with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Civil Service
11 Commission (CSC), and after consultation with the Samar Provincial Hospital,
12 determine the additional plantilla positions to be created.

13 SEC. 4. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's
14 programs the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the
15 annual General Appropriations Act.

16 SEC. 5. The Secretary of Health, in consultation and coordination with local
17 government officials of the City of Catbalogan, shall promulgate the necessary rules
18 and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

1 SEC. 6. If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the
2 remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

3 SEC. 7. All laws, decrees, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts
4 thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed or modified
5 accordingly.

6 SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
7 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,