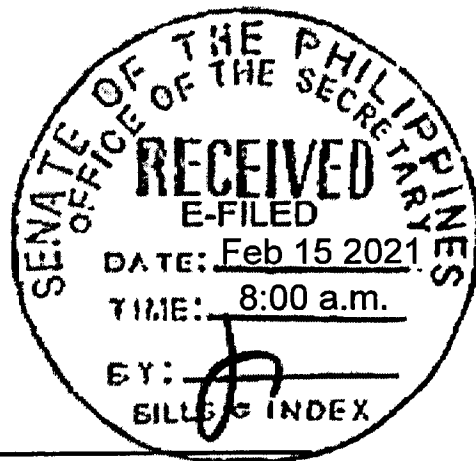


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SENATE

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 178

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography, and Finance on Feb 15 2021.

Re : House Bill No. 6849

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 6849 with amendments.

Sponsor : Sen. Christopher Bong Go

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Health and Demography, and Finance, to which was referred **House Bill No. 6849**, introduced by Representative E. Yap, entitled:

**AN ACT
INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LA TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BENGUET FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO FOUR HUNDRED (400) BEDS, PLACING THE HOSPITAL UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 6849 be approved with the following amendments:

1. On page 1, line 6, between the words "capacity" and "shall", insert the phrase **"AND EXPANSION OF SERVICE CAPABILITY."**
2. On the same page, line 7, between the words "DOH" and "to", insert the phrase **"WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT,"**. Then after the word "hospital," add a second sentence which shall read as follows:
"THE HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES OF RA 11223, 'THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH

CARE (UHC) ACT' AND THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH FACILITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN."

Thus, the second paragraph of Section 1, as amended shall now read as follows:

"Any future increase in bed capacity AND EXPANSION OF SERVICE CAPABILITY shall be consistent with its hospital development plan, which shall be prepared by the DOH, WITHIN ONE YEAR FROM THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT, to reflect the development goals of the hospital. THE HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN SHALL BE CONSISTENT WITH THE IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES OF RA 11223, 'THE UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE (UHC) ACT' AND THE PHILIPPINE HEALTH FACILITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

3. On the same page, line 19, insert a new Section 4, which shall read as follows:

"SEC. 4. THE DOH, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE DBM AND THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF BENGUET SHALL FORMULATE A TRANSITION PLAN FOR THE RENATIONALIZATION OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL.

THE TRANSITION PERIOD FOR THE RENATIONALIZATION SHALL COMMENCE IMMEDIATELY UPON APPROVAL HEREOF UNTIL FULL IMPLEMENTATION, BUT SHALL NOT BE MORE THAN FIVE (5) YEARS, UNLESS OTHERWISE EXTENDED BY THE DOH, IN CONSULTATION WITH DBM AND THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF BENGUET."

4. Renumber the succeeding sections accordingly.

5. On the same page, lines 20-23, delete the phrase "renationalized functions relative to the operations of the Benguet General Hospital from its current Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) and thereafter, and cause the allocation of the same to the DOH chargeable against the IRA of the Provincial Government of Benguet."

Replace it with the following phrase:

THE MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, AND PERSONNEL SERVICES OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL; PROVIDED, THAT DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD, THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF BENGUET SHALL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, AND PERSONNEL SERVICES OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT UPON THE COMPLETION OF THE

TRANSITION, FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT SHALL BE ALLOCATED IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT UNDER DOH.

Thus, the new SEC. 5 as amended, shall read as follows:

"SEC. 5. The DBM in consultation with the DOH, and the Provincial Government of Benguet, shall determine the cost of THE MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, AND PERSONNEL SERVICES OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL; PROVIDED, THAT DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD, THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF BENGUET SHALL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE MAINTENANCE, OPERATIONS, AND PERSONNEL SERVICES OF THE BENGUET GENERAL HOSPITAL; PROVIDED, FURTHER, THAT UPON THE COMPLETION OF THE TRANSITION, FUNDS FOR THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT SHALL BE ALLOCATED IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT UNDER DOH."

6. On page 2, line 1, insert a new SEC. 6, which shall read as follows:

"SEC. 6. WITHIN NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THE EFFECTIVITY OF THIS ACT, THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH SHALL PREPARE THE IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS UPON CONSULTATION WITH THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF BENGUET AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS AND SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED CONSISTENT WITH THE HOSPITAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN."

7. Renumber the succeeding section accordingly.

8. On the same page, line 2, between the words "Department's" and "program", insert the word "**SUBSIDY**". Then delete lines 3-4, and replace it with the following phrase:

"THE SUPPORT FOR THE CAPITAL OUTLAY OF THE SAID HOSPITAL."

Thus, SEC. 7, as amended shall now read as follows:

"SEC. 7. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's SUBSIDY program THE SUPPORT FOR THE CAPITAL OUTLAY OF THE SAID HOSPITAL.

9. On page 2, line 6, insert two new Sections which shall reads as follows:

"SEC. 8. IF ANY PART OR PROVISION OF THIS ACT SHALL BE HELD UNCONSTITUTIONAL OR INVALID, OTHER PROVISIONS WHICH ARE NOT AFFECTED THEREBY SHALL CONTINUE TO BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT."

"SEC. 9. ALL LAWS, DECREES, ORDERS, ISSUANCES, RULES AND REGULATIONS THAT ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT ARE HEREBY REPEALED, AMENDED, OR MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY."

10. Renumber the succeeding section accordingly.

Respectfully submitted:

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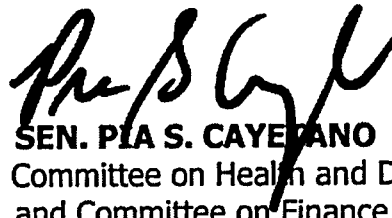


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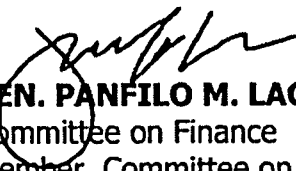
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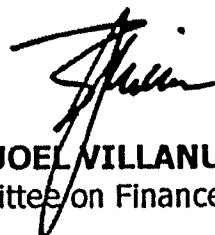
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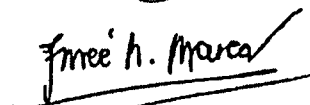
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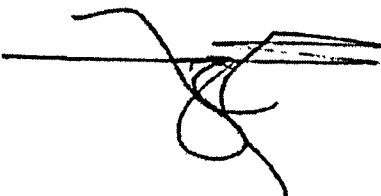

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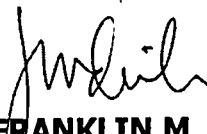
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6849

BY REPRESENTATIVE YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 325

AN ACT

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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 the Benguet General Hospital in the
2 Municipality of La Trinidad, Province of Benguet is hereby increased from two hundred (200) to
3 four hundred (400) beds, and it shall be placed under the direct control and supervision of the
4 Department of Health (DOH).

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6 Any future increase in bed capacity shall be consistent with its hospital development plan,
7 which shall be prepared by the DOH to reflect the developmental goals of the hospital.

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9 **SEC. 2.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Benguet
10 General hospital are also upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity
11 increase as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

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13 **SEC. 3.** The existing workforce of the Benguet General Hospital, which includes doctors,
14 nurses, and support personnel, shall also be increased correspondingly. The Secretary of Health
15 shall, after consultation with the Chief of the Benguet General Hospital, and in coordination with
16 the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Commissioner of the
17 Civil Service Commission, determine the additional new positions to be created and filled up.

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19 **SEC. 4.** The DBM in consultation with the DOH, and the Provincial Government of
20 Benguet, shall determine the cost of renationalized functions relative to the operations of the
21 Benguet General Hospital from its current Internal Revenue Allotment (IRA) and thereafter, and
22 cause the allocation of the same to the DOH chargeable against the IRA of the Provincial
23 Government of Benguet.

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

Approved,