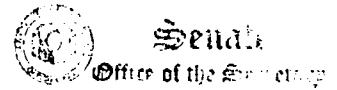


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Laguna is one of the most populated provinces in the Philippines with 3,382,193 inhabitants.¹ To ensure the well-being of a large number of people would require the commitment from the government to establish a facility that would address their health care needs. Though Laguna has been blessed with natural resources, it is noteworthy to say that its citizens are of equal importance and form part of its province's wealth.

Health services should always be accessible and readily available to the people. Pursuant this State policy, the establishment of a regional hospital in Laguna is not only logical but also necessary. This effort will directly benefit patients living in Laguna and will decongest the tertiary hospitals in the nearby provinces.

This bill aims to establish a Level III General Hospital in the Municipality of Bay, Laguna, to be known as the Laguna Regional Hospital. It shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Department of Health. Funds shall be appropriated to this endeavor to ensure that it would be fully functional and achieve its goals of

¹ <https://psa.gov.ph/classification/psgc/citimuni/0403400000>

providing the best health care service it can offer to the greatest number of citizens living in Laguna and even neighboring towns and provinces.

The proposed measure also intends to develop a specialty center within the regional hospital. In the event that such undertaking pushes through, patients will no longer be forced to endure long travels to avail of health services offered by specialty centers located in Metro Manila.

In view of the foregoing, the immediate enactment of this measure is sought.



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

1 Section 1. There shall be established in the Municipality of Bay, Province of
2 Laguna, a level three (tertiary) general hospital to be known as the Laguna Regional
3 Hospital, which shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Department of
4 Health (DOH).

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6 Sec. 2. There shall also be developed a specialty or multi-specialty center within
7 the Laguna Regional Hospital in accordance with DOH guidelines.

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9 Sec. 3. Any future increase in bed capacity and upgrading of health care services
10 and facilities shall be based on the hospital development plan which shall be prepared
11 by the DOH.

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

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17 Sec. 5. Separability Clause, - If any provision of this Act is declared invalid or
18 unconstitutional, other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall remain
19 in full force and effect.

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21 Sec. 6. Repealing Clause. - All laws, orders, decrees, rules and regulations, and
22 other parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed,
23 amended or modified accordingly.

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25 Sec. 7. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
26 publication in the Official Gazette or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in
27 the Philippines.

Approved,