

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
Metro Manila
Eighteenth Congress
Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. **11717**]

AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, LOCATED IN CEBU CITY, PROVINCE OF CEBU, FROM ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200) TO ONE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (1,500) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The bed capacity of the Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center (VSMMC), located in Cebu City, Province of Cebu, shall be increased from one thousand two hundred (1,200) to one thousand five hundred (1,500) beds. Any future increase in bed capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development plan which shall be prepared by the Department of Health (DOH).

SEC. 2. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the VSMMC are also hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase in bed capacity as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

SEC. 3. The existing workforce of the VSMMC, which includes doctors, nurses, and support personnel, shall also be increased correspondingly. The Secretary of the DOH shall, after consultation with the Chief of the VSMMC, and in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of Budget and Management and the Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission, determine the additional new positions to be created and filled up.

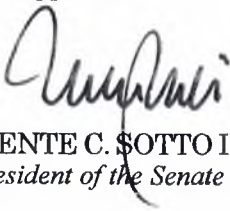
SEC. 4. The Secretary of the DOH shall immediately include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5. If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

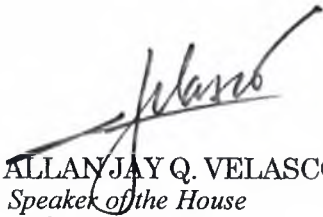
SEC. 6. All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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

Approved,

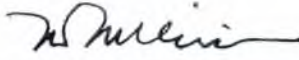


VICENTE C. SOTTO III
President of the Senate

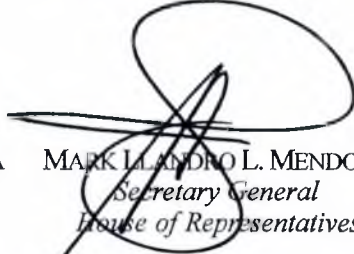


LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO
*Speaker of the House
of Representatives*

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on December 1, 2020 and January 31, 2022, respectively.



MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA
Secretary of the Senate



MARK LLANDINO L. MENDOZA
*Secretary General
House of Representatives*

Approved: APR 29 2022



RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE
President of the Philippines



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