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SENATE

COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 460

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography and Finance on
MAY 27 2009

RE : H. B. No. 1374

Recommending the approval of H.B. No. 1374 without amendment.

Sponsor : Senator Legarda

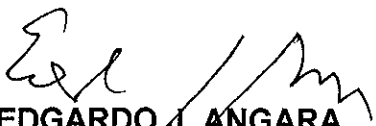
MR. PRESIDENT:


The Committee on Health and Demography, jointly with the Committee on Finance to which was referred **H.B. No. 1374**, introduced by Representatives Alvarez (A), Pingoy, Uy (R.S.), Uy (R.A.), Yu, Jaafar, Syjuco, Piamonte, Rodriguez, Salimbangon, Arenas and Violago, entitled:

**"AN ACT
CONVERTING THE CULION SANITARIUM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CULION,
PROVINCE OF PALAWAN INTO THE CULION SANITARIUM AND GENERAL
HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"**

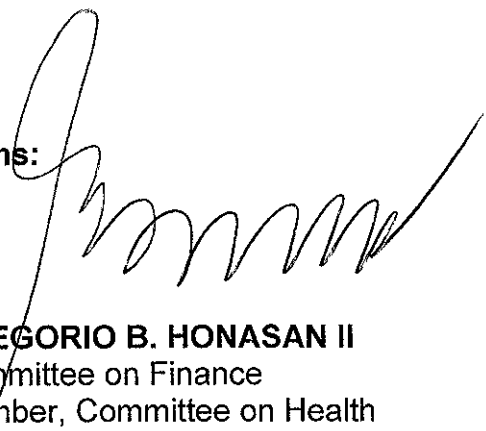
have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that **H.B. No. 1374** be approved without amendment.

Respectfully Submitted:


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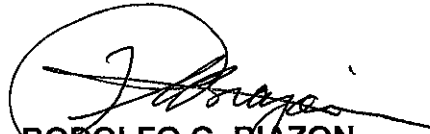


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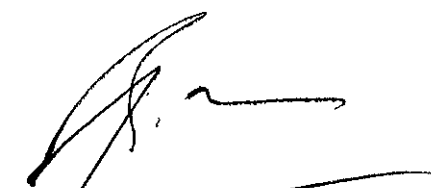


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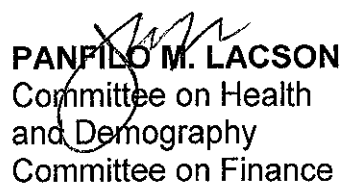

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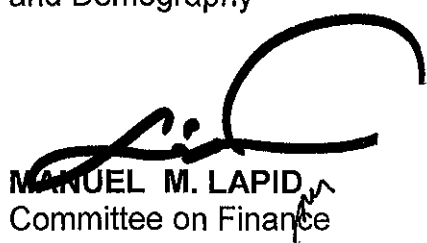


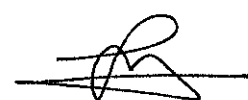
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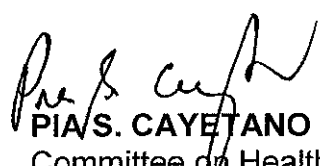

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will object if local
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1374

BY REPRESENTATIVES ALVAREZ (A.), PINGOY, UY (R.S.), UY (R.A.), YU,
JAAFAR, SYJUCO, PIAMONTE, RODRIGUEZ, SALIMBANGON, ARENAS AND
VIOLAGO

AN ACT CONVERTING THE CULION SANITARIUM IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CULION, PROVINCE OF PALAWAN INTO
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APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Culion Sanitarium
Conversion and Upgrading Act of 2008”.

SEC. 2. *Culion Conversion.* – The Culion Sanitarium in the
Municipality of Culion, Province of Palawan, created under Executive Order
No. 35, series of 1904, is hereby converted to a sanitarium and general hospital
to be known as the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital.

SEC. 3. *Conversion Plan.* – The conversion scheme, including the
proposed timetable for the same, shall be carried out under a conversion plan
to be drawn up by the Central Office of the Department of Health: *Provided,*
That said plan shall be constituted and coordinated by the Department with the

Center for Health Development IV-B Regional Director, Chief of Culion Sanitarium, medical and non-medical personnel through their legal or duly-designated representatives, and other stakeholders.

SEC. 4. *Transfer of All Assets and Liabilities.* – All assets, movable and immovable, and records of the Sanitarium, as well as its liabilities and obligations, are hereby transferred to the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital.

SEC. 5. *Security of Tenure.* – The positions, seniority, security and other rights of tenure of medical and non-medical personnel of the Culion Sanitarium shall continue to be honored under the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital.

SEC. 6. *Continued Service and Assistance to Leprosy Patients.* – The interest and well-being of all indigent patients being treated under the Leprosy Control Program shall continue to, be acknowledged and served by the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital. All efforts toward this end shall include, but shall not be limited to, possible livelihood assistance to indigent patients under the Leprosy Control Program using the assets of the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital.

SEC. 7. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the operationalization of the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital, the initial funding of which shall be charged against its current year's appropriations. Thereafter, the amount necessary for its continued operation shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 8. *Supplementary Funding.* – The Center for Health Development IV-B Regional Director and Chief of Hospital, in coordination with concerned local government units, shall also draw up a mechanism for

sourcing supplementary funds to augment the operations of the Culion Sanitarium and General Hospital.

SEC. 9. *Separability Clause.* – In case any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the portion or part thereof not affected thereby shall remain valid and operative.

SEC. 10. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, decrees, orders, letters of instruction, rules and regulations, other issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SEC. 11. *Effectivity.* – This Act shall take effect immediately upon approval.

Approved,

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