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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 119
Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography and Finance on MAR 1 8 2015
Re: Senate Bill No. 2655
Recommending the Approval of Senate Bill No. 2655 with amendments taking into consideration House Bill No. 67
Sponsor: Senator Teofisto "TG" L. Guingona III

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Health and Demography and Finance to which were referred Senate Bill No. 2655, introduced by Senator Teofisto "TG" L. Guingona III, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL INTO DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7179"

and House Bill No. 67, introduced by Representatives Anthony G. Del Rosario and Maria Carmen Zamora, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL INTO DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5702, AS AMENDED"

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached Senate Bill No. 2655, taking into consideration House Bill No. 67, be approved with the following amendments, to wit:

- 1. On page 1, Line 7, delete the phrase "FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS" and in lieu thereof, insert the phrase "SIX HUNDRED (600) BEDS"
- 2. On page 1, Lines 24-27, after the word "TO" delete the entire phrase and in lieu thereof, insert the following:

"SIX HUNDRED (600) BEDS SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENTED UPON THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT".

with Sen. Teofisto "TG" L. Guingona III as author thereof.

Respectfully submitted:

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CONVERTING THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL INTO DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7179

EXPLANATORY NOTE

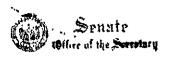
This bill seeks to convert the Davao Regional Hospital (DRH) in Tagum City, Province of Davao Del Norte into a regional training center to be known as Davao Regional Medical Center and increasing its bed capacity from 200 to 500.

Currently, the DRH is a government tertiary training hospital, which holds the distinction of being the cancer center of Mindanao, Neuro-Surgery Training Center and has the only accredited kidney transplant program in Mindanao serving at least 17,000 major and minor surgical cases. Presently, the Institution has a daily in-patient traffic of 600 or thrice its mandated capacity, not only among residents of Davao Region but also from Regions IX, X, XII and Caraga

Expanding the bed capacity of the DRH is a viable solution to addressing the hospital's persistent capacity problem and shall greatly boost Davao region's and Mindanao's health sector development. Also, the hospital's conversion into a medical training center shall provide opportunities for availment of affordable medical internship for local medical students and thus, further improve the quality of basic health services to the growing populace of these region.

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

Senator Toolisto "TG" Guingona III



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SENATE BILL NO. 2655

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AN ACT

CONVERTING THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL INTO DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 7179

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

SECTION 1. Republic Act No. 7179 is hereby amended by inserting a new Section 1 to read as follows:

"SECTION 1. THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL IN TAGUM CITY IS HEREBY CONVERTED INTO A MEDICAL TRAINING CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER WITH A CAPACITY OF FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS"

SEC. 2. Section 1 of the same Act is hereby deleted.

SEC. 3. Section 2 of the same Act is hereby amended and renumbered as Section 3 to read as follows:

"SEC 3. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be [included] CHARGED TO THE APPROPRIATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. THEREAFTER, SUCH AMOUNT AS MAY BE NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE HOSPITAL SHALL BE INCLUDED in the ANNUAL General Appropriations Act".

SEC. 4. A new Section 4 is hereby inserted to read as follows:

"SEC.4. THE INCREASE IN BED CAPACITY OF THE DAVAO REGIONAL HOSPITAL FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS SHALL BE IMPLEMENTED FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN FOUR (4) YEARS FROM THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT".

SEC. 5. Section 3 of the same Act is hereby amended and renumbered as Section 5 to read as follows:
"SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect [upon its approval] FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER ITS PUBLICATION IN ANY NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION".
Approved,