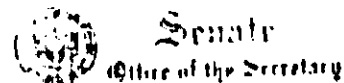


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**COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 291**

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography and Finance on  
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Re: Senate Bill No. 2767

Recommending the Approval of Senate Bill No. 2767 with amendments taking  
into consideration House Bill No. 5276

Sponsor: Senator Teofisto "TG" L. Guingona III

**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committees on Health and Demography and Finance to which were referred

Senate Bill No. 2767, introduced by Senator Teofisto "TG" L. Guingona III,  
entitled:

**"AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF  
VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, LOCATED IN  
CEBU CITY, FROM EIGHT HUNDRED (800) TO ONE THOUSAND TWO  
HUNDRED (1200) BED CAPACITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS  
THEREFORE"**

and House Bill No. 5276, introduced by Representative Del Mar, entitled:

**"AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF  
VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER LOCATED IN CEBU CITY,  
FROM EIGHT HUNDRED (800) TO ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200)  
BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE  
PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8658,  
ENTITLED AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VICENTE SOTTO  
MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, LOCATED IN CEBU CITY, FROM FOUR**

**HUNDRED (400) TO EIGHT HUNDRED (800) BED CAPACITY, AND  
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR."**

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached Senate Bill No. 2767, taking into consideration House Bill No. 5276, be approved with the following amendments, to wit:

1. On page 1, Lines 4-5, delete the entire SEC.2. and replace it with:  
"SEC.2. THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH SHALL INCLUDE IN THE DEPARTMENT'S PROGRAMS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT, THE FUNDING OF WHICH SHALL BE INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT."
2. On the same page, Line 7, delete the phrase "this Act" and in lieu thereof insert the phrase "THE INCREASE IN BED CAPACITY OF VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER FROM EIGHT HUNDRED (800) TO ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200) BEDS FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN FOUR (4) YEARS FROM THE APPROVAL OF THIS ACT."

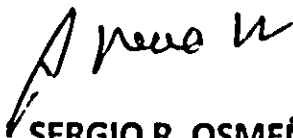
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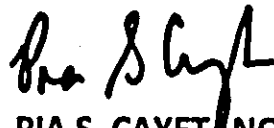
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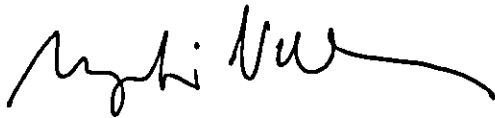
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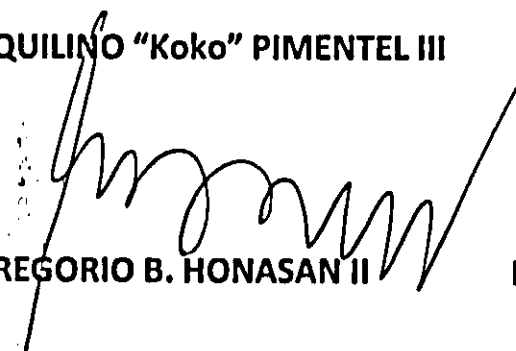
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Introduced by Senator **TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III**

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**AN ACT**  
**INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VICENTE SOTTO MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER, LOCATED IN CEBU CITY, FROM EIGHT HUNDRED (800) TO ONE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED (1,200) BED CAPACITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE**

**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This bill seeks to increase the bed occupancy of Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center located at B. Rodriguez Street, Cebu City from Eight Hundred (800) Beds to One Thousand two Hundred (1,200) Beds.

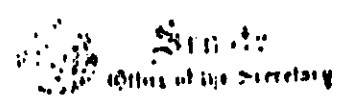
The Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center is the biggest government run medical center in Region VII. It is an 800 bed capacity hospital which does not only serve patients from Metro Cebu and the cities and the provinces of Region VII, but also patients from Region VIII and parts of Mindanao. Due to the increasing cost of medical care in private hospitals and the lack of facilities and services in government district hospitals, more and more patients flock to VSMMC. Its hospital statistical data would reveal that in the past 10 years, its occupancy rate has been steadily increasing from 100% to 121.95%.

This proposed measure go hand in hand with the Department of Health's thrust to provide universal health care to Filipinos dubbed as "Kalusugang Pangkalahatan" through health facilities enhancement to improve access to quality care.

While the Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center has continued to evolve and improve its basic and tertiary health care services to make it responsive to the changing needs of the community, its present capacity however, will prevent the Medical Center from serving its increasing number of patients, which in effect defeat the very purpose of providing universal health care to as many patients as possible.

In view of the foregoing considerations, approval of this bill is earnestly recommended.

  
**TEOFISTO "TG" GUINGONA III**  
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*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

1           **SECTION 1.** The bed capacity of Vicente Sotto Memorial Medical Center is hereby  
2 increased from Eight Hundred (800) to One Thousand two Hundred (1,200) beds.

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4           **SEC. 2.** The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included  
5 in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

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7           **SEC. 3.** The Department of Health is directed to implement this Act.

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9           **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2)  
10 national newspapers of general circulation.

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12           Approved,