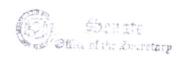


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#### **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

BGHMC is a five hundred (500) bed capacity Tertiary Medical and Training Center with Medical Ancillary Services and a retained hospital under the national government.

It has been in existence for one hundred sixteen (116) years. BGHMC has been consistently committed to promote excellent health care services. At present, it caters eighty percent (80%) indigent patients including Philhealth funded patients. In the year 2015, its bed occupancy rate has reached 133.92% with a total admission of 37,022. In the following year, it exceeded 144.17% of its occupancy rate with a total admission of 37,577.

The proposed measure seeks to increase Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center's bed capacity that would address the hospital's requirement and further enhance its capability of delivering public service for our indigent patients not only in Baguio City but for the rest of our neighbor provinces in the Cordillera Region as well as Regions I and II.

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

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

- Section 1. The bed capacity of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center (BGHMC) in Baguio City is hereby increased from five hundred (500) to eight hundred (800).
- Sec. 2. The existing service facilities and professional health care services are also hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity increase as provided in Section 1 hereof.
- Sec. 3. The existing workforce of the BGHMC shall also be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and the Civil Service Commission, shall determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up upon prior consultation with the BGHMC.
- Sec. 4. The increase in bed capacity of the BGHMC from five hundred (500) to eight hundred (800) beds shall be implemented for a period of not more than three (3) years from the approval of this Act.
- Sec. 5. Republic Act No. 8634, otherwise known as "An Act Increasing the Bed Capacity of the Baguio General Hospital and Medical Center, Located in Baguio City, from Four Hundred (400)to Five Hundred (500) Beds, Upgrading the Service-Facilities and Professional health Care therein and Appropriating Funds Therefor", is hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,