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AN ACT
CONVERTING THE DINAIG MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DATU ODIN SINSUAT, PROVINCE OF MAGUINDANAO, INTO A FIFTY (50)-BED CAPACITY DISTRICT HOSPITAL TO BE NOW KNOWN AS THE DATU ODIN SINSUAT DISTRICT HOSPITAL, UPGRADING ITS FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE


Section 11, Article XIII of the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines, provides that:

"The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers."

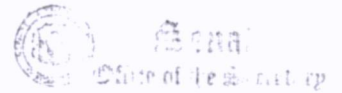
The Dinaig Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of Datu Odin Sinsuat, Province of Maguindanao was created by Republic Act No. 6918 in 1990. After more than two decades, its bed capacity remains to be ten (10) in spite of the fact that the current population of the Municipality is 103,765. Indeed, there is an urgent need to upgrade the health facilities of the hospital to cater efficiently to the needs of the people.

This is the most opportune time to increase the Dinaig Municipal Hospital's bed capacity to 50 beds in order to conform with the policy of the State to provide quality and efficient health care service, in relation to the national government's health care agenda.

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



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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Dinaig Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of Datu
2 Odin Sinsuat, Province of Maguindanao, is hereby converted into a fifty (50)-
3 bed capacity district hospital to be now known as the Datu Odin Sinsuat District
4 Hospital.

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6 **SECTION 2.** The existing hospital facilities and professional health care
7 services of the Datu Odin Sinsuat District Hospital are hereby upgraded and
8 increased commensurate to the increase in bed capacity. The Department of
9 Health, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and
10 the Civil Service Commission, shall determine the additional positions to be
11 created pursuant to this Act.

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13 **SECTION 3.** The Provincial Government of Maguindanao shall continue
14 to provide funding for the Datu Sinsuat District Hospital. The Secretary of Health
15 shall include in the Department's subsidy program, support for the capital outlay
16 requirements of the said district hospital.

1 **SECTION 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
2 publication in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation.

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