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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 594

Re:

Senate Bill Nos. 1961, taking into consideration House Bill No.

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Recommending the approval of Senate Bill No. 1961, taking into consideration House Bill No. 7063 with amendments.

Sponsor:

Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito

Mr. President:

The Committees on Health and Demography, and Finance, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 1961, introduced by Senator Joseph Victor G. Ejercito, entitled:

AN ACT

INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY FOR TERTIARY GENERAL HEALTH CARE OF THE DR. JOSE N. RODRIGUEZ MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND SANITARIUM IN TALA, CALOOCAN CITY FROM TWO HUNDRED (200) TO EIGHT **HUNDRED (800) BEDS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS** THEREFOR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9420, ENTITLED 'AN ACT CONVERTING TWO HUNDRED (200) BEDS OF THE 2,000-BED DR. JOSE N. RODRIGUEZ MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND SANITARIUM TERTIARY GENERAL HEALTH APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR' AND FOR OTHER **PURPOSES**

and taking into consideration House Bill No. 7063, introduced by Representatives Dale "Along R. Malapitan, Florida "Rida" P. Robes and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles, entitled:

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have considered the same and have the honor to report back to the Senate with the recommendation that Senate Bill No. 1961, taking into consideration House Bill No. 7063, be approved with the following amendments:

- **1.** On page 1, delete lines 1-4 and replace with the following:
 - SECTION 1. REAPPORTION OF BED CAPACITY. THE AUTHORIZED TWO HUNDRED (200) BEDS FOR TERTIARY GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVICES OF THE DR. JOSE N. RODRIGUEZ MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND **SANITARIUM** LOCATED IN TALA, CALOOCAN CITY IS HEREBY INCREASED TO EIGHT HUNDRED (800) BEDS, THEREBY REAPPORTIONING THE AUTHORIZED TWO THOUSAND (2000) BED CAPACITY OF THE SAID HOSPITAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 9420. THE REMAINING 1,200 BEDS ARE FOR LEPROSY SERVICES.
- 2. On Page 1, line 7, after the word "facilities", delete the phrase "of the."
- 3. On the same page, line 9, between the words "in" and "bed", delete the word "its" and replace it with "the". Between the words "capacity" and "as", insert the phrase "FOR TERTIARY GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVICES,".

Thus, SEC. 2 as amended shall now read as follows:

"SEC. 2. Upgrade of Existing Service Facilities. – The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium are hereby upgraded to

conform and be commensurate to the increase in **THE** bed capacity **FOR TERTIARY GENERAL HOSPITAL SERVICES**, as provided in Section 1 hereof. "

- 4. On page 2, line-7, delete the phrase "for a period of not more than four (4) years from the approval of this Act." Replace it with the phrase "CONSISTENT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF THE HOSPITAL."
- 5. On Page 2, after line 15, insert new Sections 6 and 7, which shall read as follows:
 - SEC. 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. IF ANY PROVISION OR PART OF THIS ACT IS DECLARED UNCONSTITUTIONAL THE REMAINING PARTS OR PROVISIONS NOT AFFECTED SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.
 - SEC. 7. REPEALING CLAUSE. ALL OTHER LAWS, DECREES, ORDERS, ISSUANCES, RULES AND REGULATIONS, OR PARTS THEREOF WHICH ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT ARE HEREBY REPEALED, AMENDED OR MODIFIED ACCORDINGLY.
- 6. Page 2, line 17, renumber Section 7 to Section 8.
- 7. Delete the title of the bill and replace it with the following:

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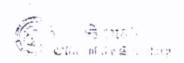
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SENATE BILL NO. 1961



INTRODUCED BY SENATOR JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO

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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."

Formerly known as Central Luzon Sanitarium, Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium was established in 1940, to accommodate patients suffering from Hansen's Disease in the entire Luzon region in the

Philippines. It is currently situated within the district of Tala, in Caloocan City, Metro Manila.¹

In 1970, the hospital began treating general medical cases due to the significant drop of Hansen patients. The hospital currently serves as the principal referral hospital for leprosy patients and the premier training and research center for leprosy care and management in the Philippines. It also serves the public health needs of community members of Tala and nearby areas.²

This is the most opportune time to increase the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium's bed capacity from 200 beds to 800 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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JOSEPH VICTOR G. EJERCITO

¹ About DJNRMH, accessed through http://djnrmh.doh.gov.ph/index.php/transparency/about-djnrmh on 29 August 2018.

² Ibid.

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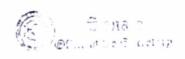
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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

- SECTION 1. Increase in Authorized Capacity. The authorized Two Hundred (200) beds for tertiary general hospital use of the 2,000 beds of the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium located in Tala, Caloocan City is hereby increased to Eight Hundred (800) beds.
 - **SEC. 2. Upgrade of Existing Service Facilities.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Or. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium are hereby upgraded to conform and be commensurate to the increase in its bed capacity as provided in Section 1 hereof.
 - **SEC. 3. Upgrade of Existing Professional Health Care Services.** The existing workforce of the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium shall also be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health (DOH), in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management (DBM) and the Civil Service Commission (CSC), and after consultation with the Dr. Jose

N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium, shall determine the additional plantilla positions to be created pursuant to this Act.

SEC. 4. Implementation. — The increase in bed capacity for tertiary general hospital use of the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium from Two Hundred (200) to Eight Hundred (800) beds, shall be implemented for a period of not more than four (4) years from the approval of this Act.

SEC. 5. Appropriation. — The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department's program the operationalization of the increase in beds for tertiary general health care purposes in the Dr. Jose N. Rodriguez Memorial Hospital and Sanitarium from Two Hundred (200) to Eight Hundred (800) beds, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's appropriations of the hospital. Thereafter, the funds necessary for its continued operation shall be included in the General Appropriations Act (GAA).

SEC. 7. Effectivity. — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,