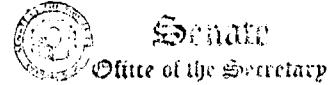


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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

Article II, Section 15 of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. It is the policy of the state to ensure that all communities have access to quality and accessible healthcare.

The Magsingal District Hospital offers preventive, curative and rehabilitative services to the residents of Magsingal, Santo Domingo, San Ildefonso and its surrounding communities. It provides ancillary services like x-ray, dental, laboratory and other professional medical and health care services. Currently, the hospital is receiving an increased number of patients that need to be admitted. With a bed capacity of only twenty-five (25) beds, it is unable to extend its services to those in desperate need.

To address this problem, this bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of Magsingal District Hospital from twenty-five (25) to one hundred (100).

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

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

1 Section 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Magsingal District Hospital in  
2 Magsingal, Ilocos Sur is hereby increased from twenty-five (25) to one hundred (100)  
3 beds.

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5 Section 2. The Department of Health shall include in its program the effective  
6 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual  
7 General Appropriations Act (GAA).

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9 Section 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the  
10 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulations.

*Approved,*