

SENATE

S.B. NO.**1655**

Introduced by SENATOR IMEE R. MARCOS

AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE LINGAYEN DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN LINGAYEN, PANGASINAN FROM SIXTY (60) TO ONE HUNDRED (100) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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 Lingayen District Hospital in Lingayen, Pangasinan is a sixty (60)-bed capacity hospital that offers accessible and efficient health and medical services to the residents of the municipality as well as its neighboring communities. However, the hospital currently is finding it hard to accommodate the increasing amount of patients given limited medical professionals and facilities. The hospital's management reports that the demand for the hospital's in-patient and out-patient services is way more than what it can offer.

To address this problem, this bill proposes to enhance the delivery of medical and health care services of the Lingayen District Hospital by upgrading the facilities and increasing the authorized bed capacity thereof from sixty (60) beds to one hundred (100) beds. This proposed measure will ensure affordable and accessible medical and health care services for the people of Pangasinan.

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

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- Section 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Lingayen District Hospital in
 Lingayen, Pangasinan is hereby increased from sixty (60) to one hundred (100) beds.
- Section 2. The Department of Health shall include in its program the effective
 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual
 General Appropriations Act.
- 8 Section 3. If any portion or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or 9 invalid, the remainder of this Act or any provisions hereof not affected thereby shall 10 continue to be in force and effect.
- Section 4. Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of
 instruction, rule or regulation inconsistent or contrary to the provisions of this Act is
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- Section 5. This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its complete
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