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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 525

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Health and Demography, and Finance on  
JAN 25 2022.

Re: House Bill No. 8893.

Recommending the approval of House Bill No. 8893 without amendment, taking into  
consideration Senate Bill No. 2202.

Sponsor: Senator Christopher Bong Go

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**MR. PRESIDENT:**

The Committees on Health and Demography, and Finance, to which were  
referred **House Bill No. 8893**, introduced by Representative Gorriceta, entitled:

**"AN ACT  
CONVERTING THE WESTERN VISAYAS SANITARIUM IN THE  
MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA BARBARA, PROVINCE OF ILOILO,  
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and taking into consideration **Senate Bill No. 2202**, introduced by Sen. Marcos, entitled:

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have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that House Bill No. 8893, taking into consideration Senate Bill No. 2202, be approved without amendment.

Respectfully submitted:

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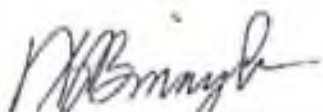


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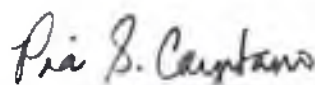


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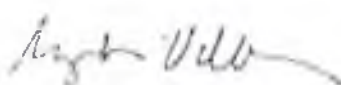
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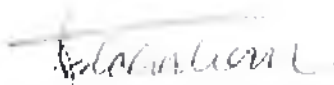
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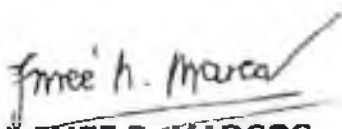
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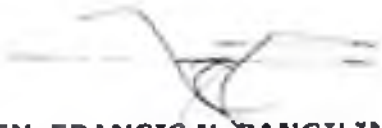
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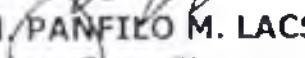
  
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8893

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GORRICETA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 806

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AN ACT

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

1           **SECTION 1.** The Western Visayas Sanitarium in the Municipality of Santa  
2 Barbara, Province of Iloilo, is hereby expanded into a sanitarium and general hospital  
3 with specialty services in infectious diseases, to be known as the Western Visayas  
4 Sanitarium and General Hospital (WVSGH), which shall be under the direct control and  
5 supervision of the Department of Health (DOH).

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7           **SEC. 2.** The authorized bed capacity of the WVSGH shall be increased from one  
8 hundred fifty (150) to three hundred (300) beds. Any future increase in bed capacity  
9 shall be consistent with the hospital development plan, that shall be prepared by the  
10 Chief of Hospital of the WVSGH and submitted to the DOH.

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12           **SEC. 3.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the  
13 WVSGH shall also be upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase  
14 in bed capacity as provided for in Section 2 hereof.

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16           **SEC. 4.** The existing workforce of the WVSGH, which includes doctors, nurses,  
17 and support personnel, shall be increased correspondingly.

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19           **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of the DOH shall, after consultation with the Chief of  
20 Hospital of the WVSGH, and in coordination with the Secretary of the Department of



1 Budget and Management and the Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission,  
2 determine the additional new positions to be created and filled up.

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4 **SEC. 6.** The position, seniority, security, and other rights of tenure of medical and  
5 non-medical personnel of the Western Visayas Sanitarium shall continue to be honored  
6 under the WWSGH.

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8 **SEC. 7.** The Secretary of the DOH shall immediately include in the Department's  
9 program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the  
10 annual General Appropriations Act.

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12 **SEC. 8.** If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the  
13 remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

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15 **SEC. 9.** All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, inconsistent  
16 with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

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18 **SEC. 10.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the  
19 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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21 *Approved,*