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Senate Bill No. 2683

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Introduced by **Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri**

**AN ACT
UPGRADING THE BUKIDNON PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY
OF MARAMAG, PROVINCE OF BUKIDNON INTO A TERTIARY LEVEL III
GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE BPH-MARAMAG, UNDER THE
CONTROL, SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH (DOH) AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Section 11, Article XIII of the Constitution provides that "The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health and development that shall endeavor to make essential goods, health, and other social services available to all people at all cost." Section 15, Article II of the Constitution also provides that "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill consciousness among them."

Hence, it is the obligation of the State to improve the provision of health care to the populace.

Bukidnon Provincial Hospital – Maramag is a level II hospital established in 2007 through the vision and initiative of providing quality health care to all poor constituents of Bukidnon.

Through the years, the number of patients, particularly the poor and the underprivileged, who sought the services and were admitted to the provincial hospital had increased significantly, eventually creating a serious problem for the hospital management. The existing 130-bed capacity provincial hospital can no longer cope with the ever-increasing number of patients and their diversified health needs, especially those requiring confinement.

The BPH-Maramag serves the medical and health needs of the people from the province of Bukidnon and other neighboring provinces of South Cotabato, Lanao del Sur, and Davao. Converting the hospital to a tertiary hospital will give much-needed access to highly-quality health care. Patients would have access to upgraded and efficient facilities that prioritize preventive treatment, reducing the cost of medical examinations and operations in private hospitals.

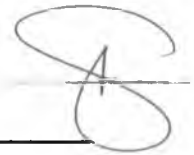
In lieu of the abovementioned, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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

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2 **SECTION 1.** The Bukidnon Provincial Hospital in the Municipality of Maramag,
3 Province of Bukidnon is hereby upgraded into a tertiary level III General Hospital to be
4 known as the Bukidnon Provincial Hospital-Maramag under the direct control,
5 supervision, and management of the Department of Health (DOH).
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7 The increase in the bed capacity of the Bukidnon Provincial Hospital in the
8 Municipality of Maramag, Province of Bukidnon shall be in accordance with the hospital
9 development plan.
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12 **SEC. 2.** The existing professional health care services and facilities are also
13 hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity increase
14 as provided in Section 1 hereof

15 **SEC. 3.** The DOH, in coordination with the Department of Budget and
16 Management (DBM) and the Civil Service Commission (CSC), and in consultation with
17 the management of the hospital, shall determine the additional plantilla positions to
18 be created and filled up in the workforce of the said hospital.

19 **SEC. 4.** The chief of the hospital shall develop a hospital development plan to
20 be submitted to the DOH to reflect the development goals of the hospital, consistent
21 with the increase in the bed capacity and service capability. Request for the staffing
22 requirements, capital outlay investments and budgetary needs for the operations shall
23 be based on the hospital development plan.

24 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department's programs the
25 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
26 Appropriations Act.

1 **SEC. 6.** Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary
2 of Health shall prepare the implementing rules and regulations upon consultation with
3 the Provincial Government of Bukidnon, the Representative of the District, where the
4 hospital is located, and other stakeholders and shall be implemented consistent with
5 the hospital development plan.

6 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
7 *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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Approved,