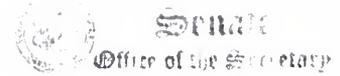


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Out of 721 public hospitals in the Philippines, seventy (70) are managed by the Department of Health (DOH). The well-being of Filipinos who go to these hospitals depend upon the capacity of such, thus, the number of hospital beds is a good indicator of health service availability in hospitals. According to the World Health Organization (WHO), there should be twenty (20) hospital beds per 10,000 population. Unfortunately, only the National Capital Region (NCR), Northern Mindanao, Southern Mindanao, and Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR) have sufficient number of hospital beds for its population.

This proposed legislation aims to provide remedy to the current problem of inadequate number of hospital beds in DOH hospitals.

In this light, the immediate passage of this bill is highly recommended.

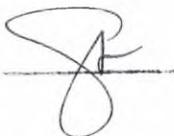

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

1 Section 1. *Short Title.* - This Act shall be known as the "*DOH Hospital Bed*
2 *Capacity and Service Capability Rationalization Act*".

3 Sec. 2. *Purpose, Scope, and Coverage.* – This Act shall streamline the process
4 for approving changes in the authorized bed capacities and corresponding service
5 capabilities of all Department of Health (DOH) hospitals.

6 Sec. 3. *Authority to Approve.* – The DOH Is hereby authorized to adjust and
7 approve the authorized bed capacities and corresponding service capabilities of
8 hospitals under its supervision and control, taking into consideration the development
9 plans of the hospitals, catchment population, burden of disease, availability of human
10 resources, health care provider network, and other standards to be determined by the
11 DOH. The DOH shall, through an administrative issuance, determine the bed
12 capacities and service capabilities of DOH hospitals, subject to specific guidelines that
13 shall be issued and promulgated, within three (3) months upon the effectivity of this
14 Act.

15 Sec. 4. *Annual Report to Congress.* – The DOH shall provide Congress, through
16 the Committee on Health of the House of Representatives and the Committee on

1 Health and Demography of the Senate, an annual report on hospitals with approved
2 bed capacities, along with the necessary funding requirements.

3 Sec. 5. *Philippine Health Facility Development Plan (PHFDP)*. – The DOH shall
4 develop the Philippine Health Facility Development Plan (PHFDP) to guide the
5 modernization and development plans of all government health facilities, and in order
6 to access capital outlay investment through the Health Facilities Enhancement
7 Program (HFEP) of the DOH and other national government capital outlay investment
8 mechanisms.

9 The Secretary of Health shall include in the Department's programs the funding
10 requirements for the adjustment in bed capacity and service capability of each DOH
11 hospital in accordance with the PHFDP and the hospital's modernization and
12 development plan, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
13 Appropriations Act.

14 Sec. 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR)*. – The DOH shall formulate
15 the IRR of this Act within ninety (90) days upon its effectivity.

16 Sec. 7. *Separability Clause*. – If any provision or part hereof is held invalid or
17 unconstitutional, the remainder of the law or the provision or part not otherwise
18 affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

19 Sec. 8. *Repealing Clause*. – Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive
20 order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule, or regulation contrary to or
21 inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed, modified, or amended
22 accordingly.

23 Sec. 9. *Effectivity*. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
24 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,