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HOUSE BILL NO. 716

Introduced by HON. JOSEPH LASAM LARA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC) from five hundred (500) to one thousand (1,000) beds.

It was in 1998 that the then Cagayan Valley Regional Hospital was converted into the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC) by virtue of RA 8599, with a five hundred (500) bed capacity.

Since then, the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC) has been the only tertiary, teaching and training hospital in Region II. It accommodates all patients throughout the region including nearby provinces.

The CVMC currently utilizes 843 beds and daily caters to an average of about 89 admissions, 454 out-patient consultations and 143 emergency admissions. According to the CVMC, there were 16,155 hospital admissions for the first half alone of 2018.

With this in mind, there is a pressing need to increase the Center's bed capacity and improve its development plan to enable it to serve better and provide quality health care for its patients.

This bill was previously proposed in the 17th Congress, and its approval in the 18th Congress is earnestly recommended.


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AN ACT
INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE CAGAYAN VALLEY MEDICAL CENTER (CVMC) IN TUGUEGARAO CITY, PROVINCE OF CAGAYAN, FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) TO ONE THOUSAND (1,000) BEDS AND APPROPRIATING FUND THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC) in Tuguegarao City, Province of Cagayan, is hereby increased from five hundred (500) to one thousand (1,000) beds.

SECTION 2. The existing hospital facilities and professional health care services of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC), shall be correspondingly upgraded to include the increase in the number of its medical personnel. The Department of Health (DOH) shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 3. The increase in the bed capacity of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC) from five hundred (500) to one thousand (1,000) beds shall be implemented within the period of six (6) months to one (1) year from the approval of this Act.

SECTION 4. The Department of Health (DOH), through its approved annual budget, shall initially provide the necessary funding to support the increase in bed capacity of the Cagayan Valley Medical Center (CVMC). The entire budgetary requirements of CVMC for its operation and the upgrading of its facilities and services shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act the following year of its enactment.

SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a national newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,