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HOUSE BILL No. 719

Introduced by Honorable Lucy Marie Torres-Gomez

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to provide for the construction of an additional building for the Ormoc City Jail in Barangay Alta Vista, Ormoc, Leyte.

The Ormoc City Jail is just enough to accommodate seventy nine (79) inmates. Presently, however, it accommodates two hundred twenty (220) inmates. The crowding causes discomfort for the inmates and makes them prone to the spread of communicable diseases such as tuberculosis and skin diseases. At worst, the congestion may lead to jailbreak as the overpopulation is likely to cause friction among inmates.

The construction of a new building will not only allow the separate accommodation of male and female inmates but will also certainly alleviate their deplorable condition.

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

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AN ACT  
PROVIDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL BUILDING FOR THE ORMOC CITY JAIL IN BARANGAY ALTA VISTA, ORMOC CITY, LEYTE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR  

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

SECTION 1. There shall be constructed, under the supervision of the Department of Public Works and Highways, an additional building for the Ormoc City Jail in Barangay Alta Vista, Ormoc City, Leyte.  

SEC. 2. The amount necessary for the effective implementation of this Act shall be charged to the appropriation for the Bureau of Jail Management and Penology of the Department of Justice. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the repair and maintenance of the building shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.  

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.  

Approved,