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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 7550

Introduced by Representative ANTONIO ‘TONYPET’ T. ALBANO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Philippine Constitution provides that “The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers.” (Article XIII, Section 11).

This bill seeks to establish a one hundred (100)-bed hospital in Barangay Dimapula, Divilacan, Province of Isabela to be known as the Divilacan-Milagros Albano District Satellite Hospital.

The Municipality of Divilacan is a second (2nd) class municipality in the province of Isabela. It is one of the four (4) coastal towns in the province and is accessible via sea and air. The only health facility in the municipality is the rural health unit (RHU) that caters to five thousand six hundred eighty-seven (5,687) people. The nearest hospital in the area is located in Palanan and takes three (3) hours travel by sea. There is a need to establish a hospital in Divilacan in order to make medical services available, accessible and affordable to the residents. The hospital will cater to the health needs of the residents in the municipalities of Divilacan and its neighboring town of Maconacon.

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

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AN ACT  
ESTABLISHING A ONE HUNDRED (100)-BED DISTRICT SATELLITE HOSPITAL OF THE MILAGROS ALBANO DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN BARANGAY DIMAPULA, DIVILACAN, PROVINCE OF ISabela TO BE KNOWN AS THE DIVILACAN-MILAGROS ALBANO DISTRICT SATELLITE HOSPITAL AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES  

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

Section 1. There shall be established a one hundred (100) bed capacity hospital in Barangay Dimapula, Divilacan, Province of Isabela, in accordance with the standards of the Department of Health to be known as

Section 2. The Secretary of Health shall promulgate the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act within sixty (60) days from effectivity.

Section 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department’s programs the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be charged against the succeeding year’s appropriation of the DOH and thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for its continued operations shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 4. All laws, executive orders, decrees, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed and modified accordingly.

Section 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.