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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 421

Submitted by the Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations on  
05 OCT 2017

Re : House Bill No. 6551

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 2987

Sponsors : Reps. Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., Rolando G. Andaya, Jr.,  
and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles

*Mr. Speaker:*

The Committee on Health and the Committee on Appropriations to which was referred House Bill No. 2987 introduced by Rep. Rolando G. Andaya, Jr., entitled:

**AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE BICOL SANITARIUM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CABUSAO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AND EXPAND ITS SERVICES TO BECOME THE BICOL REGIONAL GERIATRIC MEDICAL CENTER AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 6551,  
entitled:

**AN ACT CONVERTING THE BICOL SANITARIUM IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CABUSAO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, INTO A GERIATRIC MEDICAL CENTER TO BE KNOWN AS THE BICOL REGIONAL GERIATRIC MEDICAL CENTER, UPGRADING ITS SERVICE FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 2987, with Reps. Rolando G. Andaya, Jr., Maria Vida E. Bravo, Angelina "Helen" D.L. Tan, M.D., Ron P. Salo, Tricia Nicole Q. Velasco-Catera, Sandra Y. Eriguel, M.D., Estrellita B. Suansing, Ma. Lourdes R. Aggabao, Cecilia Leonila V. Chavez, Seth Frederick P. Jalosjos, France L. Castro, Anaruddin A.M. A. Adiong, Celso L. Lobregat, Pablo C. Ortega, Dale "Along" R. Malapitan, Romeo M. Acop, Ferdinand L. Hernandez, Mark O. Go, Evelina G. Escudero, Eric M. Martinez, H. Harry L. Roque, Rolando G. Andaya, Jr., Baby Aline

Vargas-Alfonso, Wilter "Sharky" Wee Palma II, Rogelio J. Espina, M.D., Rozzano Rufino B. Biazon, Luisa Lloren Cuaresma, Fernando V. Gonzalez, Aniceto "John" D. Bertiz III, Tom S. Villarín, Micaela S. Violago, Sabiniano S. Canama, Arlene B. Arcillas, Antonio L. Tinio, Sol Aragonés, Emmi A. De Jesus, Sarah Jane I. Elago, Ma. Lucille L. Nava, M.D., Jose "Pingping" I. Tejada, Aurelio "Dong" D. Gonzales, Jr., Rodolfo C. Farinas, Lord Allan Jay Q. Velasco, Carlos Isagani T. Zarate and Karlo Alexei B. Nograles as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairperson  
Committee on Appropriations



**HON. ANGELINA "Helen" D.L. TAN, M.D.**  
Chairperson  
Committee on Health

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**HOUSE BILL NO 6551**

(In substitution of House Bill No. 2987)

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

- 1 **SECTION. 1.** The Bicol Sanitarium located in the Municipality of Cabusao, Province of  
2 Camarines Sur, is hereby converted into a geriatric medical center to be known as the  
3 Bicol Regional Geriatric Medical Center (BRGMC).  
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- 5 **SEC. 2.** The existing hospital facilities and professional health care services of the  
6 BRGMC are hereby upgraded and increased to conform with and be commensurate to



1 the increase in bed capacity. The number of medical personnel shall be correspondingly  
2 increased.

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4 **SEC. 3.** All personnel, medical and non-medical records, assets and properties,  
5 including land and buildings, facilities and equipment, sites, and improvements thereof,  
6 obligations, funds and appropriations of the Bicol Sanitarium, including the Bicol Skin  
7 Clinic located in Legaspi City, Province of Albay are hereby transferred to the BRGMC.  
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9 **SEC. 4.** The Department of Health, in coordination with the Civil Service Commission,  
10 the Department of Budget and Management and the DOH Regional Health Office V,  
11 shall promulgate the conversion plan and organizational and staffing pattern of the said  
12 specialty medical center.  
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14 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's  
15 programs the operationalization of the BRGMC for a period of not more than three (3)  
16 years, the initial funding of which shall be charged against the current year's  
17 appropriations for Bicol Sanitarium. Thereafter, the amount necessary for its continued  
18 operation shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.  
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20 **SEC. 6.** The Department of Health, through its Regional Health Office V Director and  
21 the Medical Center Chief, in coordination with concerned national and local government  
22 units, shall also prepare the mechanisms for sourcing supplementary funds to augment  
23 the operations of the BRGMC.  
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25 **SEC. 7.** Act 1711 of the Philippine Commission on the establishment of the Bicol  
26 Treatment Station in Legazpi City, Albay, is hereby repealed. All laws, executive orders,  
27 issuances, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or  
28 modified accordingly.  
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30 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*  
31 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.  
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34 *Approved,*  
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