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Introduced by **Hon. LORNA P. BAUTISTA-BANDIGAN**


EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Bill envisions to increase the authorized bed capacity of the Tomas Lachica District Hospital in the Municipality of Jose Abad Santos, Province of Davao Occidental from twenty-five (25) beds to fifty (50) beds, upgrade its medical facilities, improve health care services therein and appropriate funds therefor.

Pursuant to the constitutional mandate that “the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavour to make essential goods, health and other social services available to the people at affordable cost” (Article XIII, Section 11). It is imperative to add other health care services to, increase the authorized bed capacity and modernize the medical facilities of the Tomas Lachica District Hospital to cope with the medical needs of the growing population of the Municipality of Jose Abad Santos, Province of Davao Occidental.

Consistent with our government’s program to improve the quality of life through promotion and implementation of universal health care for its people, this Representation realizes the immediate need to increase the authorized bed capacity of the Tomas Lachica District Hospital.

Approval of this Bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT

INCREASING THE AUTHORIZED BED CAPACITY OF THE TOMAS LACHICA DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE ABAD SANTOS, PROVINCE OF DAVAO OCCIDENTAL FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) BEDS TO FIFTY (50) BEDS, UPGRADING ITS MEDICAL FACILITIES AND IMPROVING HEALTH CARE SERVICES, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. *Increase in Authorized Bed Capacity.* - The authorized bed capacity of the Tomas Lachica District Hospital in the Municipality of Jose Abad Santos, Province of Davao Occidental is hereby increased from twenty-five (25) to fifty (50) beds.

SEC. 2. *Upgrade its Medical Facilities and Health Care Services.* - The medical facilities and health care services of the Tomas Lachica District Hospital shall be upgraded to conform with the increase in its authorized bed capacity.

SEC. 3. *Appropriations.* - The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - The Secretary of Health shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SEC. 5. *Separability Clause.* - If, for any reason, any part or provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 6. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 7. *Effectivity.* - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,