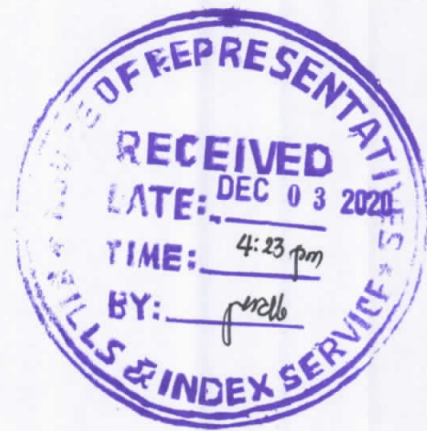


Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City



EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 8135

Introduced by Representative **MUNIR M. ARBISON**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of Lugus, Province of Sulu to be known as Lugus Municipal Hospital.

The Municipality of Lugus is a coastal municipality located hours from the main island of Jolo, and travel is only accessible through boat ride. This situation has limited the access of its people to many things especially in terms of medical services. The municipality has no municipal hospital of its own. Its remote location puts in jeopardy the health of its inhabitants as ailing persons have to travel by sea before they can reach the municipal hospital of a nearby municipality and even more long hours of travel for advanced illnesses requiring more advanced medical attention as provincial hospital is in the main island of Jolo.

With the municipality's growing population, and the uncertainties brought about by unfortunate circumstances happening around the world, the least that the people should worry is the absence of health care facilities. The people should be assured that when emergency so requires, their municipality has its own hospital equipped with health care facilities that can provide them with the necessary medical attention and medication.

In line with the policies of the State to protect and promote the right to health of the people and to make the health services available to all, there is indeed a dire need to establish a 25-bed capacity municipal hospital in the Municipality of Lugus.

In view of the foregoing and in the hope of advancing a stronger and healthier growing population in the 2nd District of Sulu, support and approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


REP. MUNIR M. ARBISON
2nd District, Sulu

Republic of the Philippines
Congress of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS
Second Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 8135

Introduced by Representative MUNIR M. ARBISON

**AN ACT CREATING A 25-BED CAPACITY MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF LUGUS, SULU AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established, a 25-bed capacity municipal hospital in Lugus Municipality, under the supervision of the Department of Health, to be known as Lugus Municipal Hospital.

SECTION 2. The Secretary of Health and/or his duly authorized representative, in consultation and coordination with the concerned officials of the Municipality of Lugus, shall formulate and promulgate the implementing guidelines, rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the national government's assistance for the operationalization of the Lugus Municipal Hospital, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 4. If any part or provisions of this Act shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions, which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

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

Approved,