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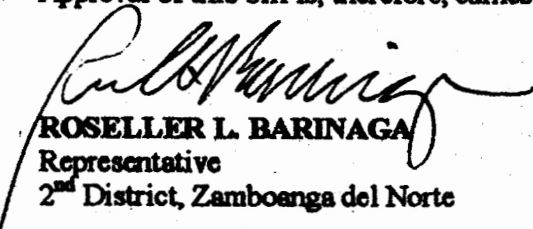
EXPLANATORY NOTE

Government hospitals often criticized for being poorly maintained. Many government hospital buildings are either dilapidated or too old to impress even our poorest of the poor who are confined. Many of their facilities are out-modeled. In fact, many of these do not even have the basic facilities to speak with.

There is a general perception among our people that the government has remised its obligation to sustain, if not improve, the facilities of government hospitals. That is primarily observed in the budgetary allocation that Congress and/or local government units put for the maintenance of these hospitals.

This bill seeks to remedy that problem. It is hereby proposed that through the passage of this measure into law government hospitals will now be authorized to utilize their income from pharmacy, fees from in-house services and facilities, including but not limited to laboratory, radiology, operating room and nursery facilities and income derived from non-patient related services such as parking fees, interview fees and tour fees, for their maintenance and other operating expenditures including capital outlay and for the acquisition of necessary equipment.

Approval of this bill is, therefore, earnestly sought.



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AN ACT
AUTHORIZING GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS TO UTILIZE ALL ITS INCOME
FOR THEIR MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress Assembled:

1 **SECTION 1.** Government hospitals are hereby authorize to utilize their income from
2 pharmacy, fees from in-house services and facilities, including but not limited to laboratory,
3 radiology, operating room and nursery facilities and income derived from non-patient related
4 services such as parking fees, interview fees and tour fees, for the maintenance and other
5 operating expenditures including capital outlay, especially for acquisition of equipment of the
6 hospital.

7 **SEC. 2.** Expenditures under this Act shall be subject to existing auditing rules and
8 regulations. In addition, the retained hospitals shall submit quarterly report of income and
9 expenditures to the Department of Health (DOH), while devolved hospitals shall submit the
10 same to the office of the Provincial Governor or the City/Municipal Mayor.

11 **SEC. 3.** The DOH, in coordination with the agencies concerned, shall formulate the
12 necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act within sixty (60)
13 days from its approval.

14 **SEC. 4.** If any provision of this Act is held invalid, any other provision not so
15 affected shall continue to be valid and effective.

16 **SEC. 5.** Any law, presidential decree, executive order and letter of instruction of
17 which is inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed or amended
18 accordingly.

19 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any
20 newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.