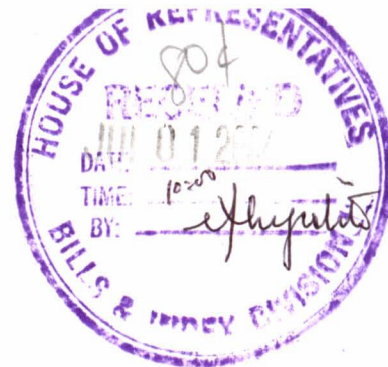


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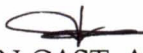
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The attached measure seeks to establish a Home for the Aged and Disabled in every Congressional District of the Philippines under the direct supervision of the Department of Social and Welfare and Development.

In other countries, great emphasis is laid on the care of the aged and disabled. Our government should follow suit and allocate the necessary sum for the establishment, operation and maintenance of a home for the aged and disabled, especially those who are without any visible means of support. A well-financed home for the aged and disabled will not only give our indigent aged and disabled a feeling of security and sense of belonging but also uplift their lot according to the modern trend of society.

In view of the foregoing, approval of the bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTAINANCE OF A HOME FOR THE AGED AND DISABLED IN EVERY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT OF THE PHILIPPINES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. There shall be established, under the direct supervision of the Department of Social Welfare and Development, a home for the aged and disabled in every Congressional District of the Philippines which shall hereafter referred to as the Home.

SECTION 2. The Home shall have a chief and assistant chief who shall be appointed by the Secretary of Social Welfare and Development and shall each receive an annual salary to be fixed in accordance with existing law.

SECTION 3. The Home, for purposes of economy, shall be constructed within the compound of existing Congressional District Hospitals and in the absence thereof, in any other government hospital within the district, and shall have, initially a fifty-bed capacity with a medical staff of one physician, one nurse and one physical therapist and such other attendants and personnel as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act.

SECTION 4. The Home shall provide consultative services, including diagnosis, cure and prevention of diseases of the aged and disabled; a rehabilitation hall with facilities for physiotherapy and gymnasium for physical rehabilitation; a nutrition clinic; and a research ward on the care and treatment of aged and disabled patients.

SECTION 5. No person shall be admitted to the home unless he/she is sixty-two years of age; and in the case of the disabled, one who, regardless of age, cannot move freely; of good moral character; and without any visible means of support.

SECTION 6. 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; the local government units shall undertake the maintenance of the Home for the Aged and Disabled.

SECTION 7. All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, other issuances, or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,