

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

THIRTEENTH CONGRESS

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House Bill No 1650



Introduced by Honorable EILEEN ERMITA - BUHAIN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to appropriate funds for the improvement/modernization of the Don Manuel Lopez Memorial Hospital in the Municipality of Balayan, Province of Batangas.

Health service delivery is a priority that government should commit to vigorously with its resources. This is especially imperative in the rural areas where access to medical assistance is limited given the number of medical institutions and personnel like doctors and nurses. With tertiary and special medical institutions concentrated in Metro Manila and highly-urbanized cities, government should exert efforts that people in the countryside gain access for their primary and secondary health needs from local hospitals that could provide them with proper and appropriate medical attention. Considering the escalating cost of private medical services, the need for supporting local hospitals in terms of resource-building acquires greater urgency.

The Don Manuel Lopez Memorial Hospital in Balayan, Batangas is one of these local hospitals. Primarily, it serves the needs of the residents of the municipalities of Balayan, Calaca and Tuy. However it may wish to expand and improve its services, it cannot do given the meager resources of the hospital. It still lacks facilities and equipment that may be addressed with the corresponding budgetary support.

In view of the above-premises, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE MODERNIZATION OF THE DON
MANUEL LOPEZ EMERGENCY HOSPITAL, IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
BALAYAN, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS.

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

SECTION 1. The Don Manuel Lopez Emergency Hospital is set for Modernization in terms of building facilities, equipment, bed capacity and research and training capability for regular manpower development programs to keep attuned to changing realities and directions in health care delivery system and the overall socio-economic development of the District.

SEC. 2. The amount of TWELVE MILLION PESOS (12,000,000.00) is hereby appropriated out of funds from the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated for the modernization of the Don Manuel Lopez Emergency Hospital in Balayan, Batangas.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,