

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



Thirteenth Congress
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HOUSE BILL NO. 1818

Introduced by **Honorable Janette L. Garin, M.D.**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to appropriate the amount of Eight Million Pesos for the initial operating expenses of the San Joaquin Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of San Joaquin, Province of Iloilo.

It is a constitutional mandate that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and make health services available to all.

San Joaquin Municipal Hospital is a ten bed hospital created by virtue of R.A. 6870. When it was established, it was envisioned to serve the fast growing populace of the First District of Iloilo. It is located in the Municipality of San Joaquin, a 4th class municipality about 54 kilometers from the City of Iloilo. It is intended to primarily provide medical, maternity and pediatric care to the residents of First District of Iloilo.

With the strategic location of the hospital, it can also extend its services to the adjacent population of neighboring municipalities of Miag-ao, Tubungan and Igbaras as well as the nearby areas of the Province of Antique and its municipalities like Dao, Hamtic and Anini-i.

Unfortunately, since its establishment, it has not received any funding from the government. Therefore, the hospital has not operated in accordance with the purpose for which it was created. With this measure the hospital will be given adequate appropriation it needed to operate and be able to have permanent staff of its own. The hospital will be able to give the medical services that the urban poor of the First District of Iloilo needs.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is highly recommended.


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

SECTION 1. The amount of Eight Million Pesos is hereby appropriated for the initial operating expenses of the San Joaquin Municipal Hospital in the Municipality of San Joaquin, Province of Iloilo to be charged from the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated. Thereafter, such sum as may be necessary for the continued operation and maintenance of the hospital shall be included in the General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,