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HOUSE BILL No. 1825



Introduced By: REPRESENTATIVE HENRY S. OAMINAL

EXPLANATORY NOTE

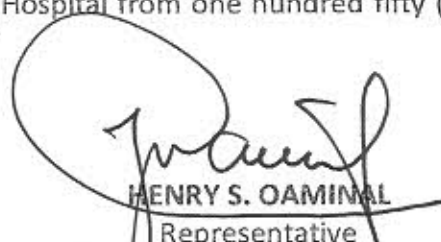
The Ozamiz City National Emergency Hospital was established by Republic Act No. 4225 in 1965 with a capacity of fifty (50) beds. This was later renamed to Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro, Sr. General Hospital (MHARSGEN) in accordance with Batas Pambansa blg. 777 in 1984 with a capacity of one hundred (100) beds. In 1992, RA 7197 again increased its bed capacity to one hundred fifty (150). MHARSGEN was converted into what is now the Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro, Sr. Regional Training and Teaching Hospital (MHARSRTTH) by virtue of RA 7937 in 1995.

Two decades have passed since the bed capacity of MHARSRTTH was last expanded. As a result, and considering the rapid increase of population in the area, not to mention its strategic location in Region X, the average daily occupancy rate of MHARSRTTH normally exceeded its authorized bed capacity. It not only provides health services to the Province of Misamis Occidental but also delivers healthcare access to the people in several municipalities in neighboring provinces, namely: Lanao del Norte, Lanao del Sur, Zamboanga del Norte and Zamboanga del Sur.

MHARSRTTH plays a significant role in the attainment of health programs in the region. Its competent medical staff acquired their expertise from constant yearly trainings. It has virtually become the primary referral center of other hospitals in the region. In fact, this regional training and teaching hospital has been over-utilized considering its occupancy rate of one hundred forty percent (140%) over the past years.

The approval of this bill will greatly impact the delivery of health service for those who cannot afford quality healthcare due to rising hospital costs. Increased capacity allows the hospital to field additional medical providers, boost the number of available medical supplies, and train more health professionals. This enhanced capability also translates to improved health service coverage in the region allowing for better opportunities for growth and job creation.

This bill therefore seeks to augment the existing capacity of the Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro, Sr. Regional Training and Teaching Hospital from one hundred fifty (150) to three hundred (300) beds.


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AN ACT
INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE MAYOR HILARION A. RAMIRO, SR. REGIONAL
TRAINING AND TEACHING HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SEC. 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro, Sr. Regional Training and Teaching Hospital is hereby increased from one hundred fifty (150) to three hundred (300) beds.

SEC. 2. The Department of Health shall determine the number of plantilla positions to be created and the service facilities and professional health care services to be upgraded commensurate to the increase in the number of bed capacity.

SEC. 3. The increase in the bed capacity of the Mayor Hilarion A. Ramiro, Sr. Regional Training and Teaching Hospital from one hundred fifty (150) beds to three hundred (300) beds shall be implemented within one (1) year from the approval of this Act.

SEC. 4. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in any newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,

