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HOUSE BILL NO. 3623

Introduced by Honorable Luis A. Ferrer IV

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Anent the overall state of health of Filipinos, the 1987 Constitution specifically provides that “[T]he State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them.” (Art. II, Sec. 15). The Constitution further states that “[T]he State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make goods, health and other services available to all people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers.”

Pursuant to the aforementioned provisions, this bill seeks for the establishment of a twenty five-bed capacity district hospital for the 6th District of Cavite to be known as the General Trias District Hospital. The proposed hospital will be built in General Trias, in consideration of the location which should be geographically advantageous and conveniently accessible generally to the constituents of the 6th District. Based on statistical data obtained from the National Statistics Office, there are 570,093 inhabitants who reside in the 6th district of Cavite.

As the need for providing basic and immediate healthcare to constituents is a primordial concern, the approval of this bill is urgently requested.


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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN
THE MUNICIPALITY OF GENERAL TRIAS, PROVINCE OF CAVITE
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established, under the direct supervision of the Department of Health, a twenty five-bed capacity district hospital in the Municipality of General Trias, Province of Cavite to be known as the "General Trias District Hospital".

SEC. 2. Pursuant to Section 17, paragraph (f) of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991", the General Trias District Hospital shall receive from the national government such amount to provide or augment its basic health services and facilities when such services or facilities are not made available, or if made available, are inadequate to meet the requirements of its inhabitants.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Health and/or his duly authorized representative shall immediately include in the Department's programs the budget of the national government's assistance for the establishment and the operationalization of the General Trias District Hospital, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,