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After more than two decades of implementation of Republic Act 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code, problem on devolved health care system persist to this day despite mechanisms established by the National and Local Government Units. Amongst this identified is the diminution of funds intended for the delivery of health services which remains unresolved.

The Biliran Provincial Hospital is the only public hospital in the province that offers medical and surgical services. Now, its administration is torn between providing the best health services it could afford without losing its resources to run the hospital. With this, the only possible remedy to the problem abovementioned is the re-nationalization of Biliran Provincial Hospital to the Department of Health.

This Bill aims to address the flaws, issues and effects brought about by devolution of health services. Hence, the approval of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT REVERTING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH THE
DISCHARGE OF BILIRAN PROVINCIAL HOSPITAL HEALTH SERVICES
AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. *Short Title* - This Act shall be known as the "Re-nationalization of Biliran Provincial Hospital Act."

Section 2. *Declaration of Policy* - It is the declared policy of the State that it shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. Further, the State shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other services available to all the people at affordable cost.

Section 3. *Objective* - The objective of this Act is to prevent further deterioration of the delivery of health services brought about by devolution.

Section 4. *Implementing Rules and Regulations* - The Department of Health shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

Section 5. *Appropriation* - 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 a law and thereafter.

Section 6. *Separability Clause* - If any part or provision of this Act shall be declared or held to be unconstitutional or invalid, other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 7. *Repealing Clause* - All general and special laws, decrees, executive orders, proclamations and administrative regulations, or any parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 8. *Effectivity* - This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in the *Official Gazette* or a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.