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HOUSE BILL NO. 6257



Introduced by Honorable Juan Pablo "Rimpy" P. Bondoc

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to increase the authorized bed capacity of the Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital (JBLMGH) in San Fernando City, Pampanga from Five Hundred (500) to One Thousand (1000).

This bill is in consonance with the constitutional mandate to promote and protect the right of the people to health and instill health consciousness among them. Further, it is the policy of the State to secure the well-being of the people by providing them efficient health services.

The JBLMGH started in 1921 and was formerly known as Pampanga Provincial Hospital. It has been in existence for almost 90 years and has achieved great accomplishments not only in its services but also in its facilities and infrastructure.

The JBLGMH is committed in improving the health of the people not only in Pampanga but in nearby provinces. To further enhance its capacity of promoting public health and to cater medical patients, there is a need to increase its bed capacity from Five Hundred (500) to One Thousand (1000).

In light of the foregoing, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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**AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF JOSE B. LINGAD MEMORIAL
GENERAL HOSPITAL IN SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA FROM FIVE
HUNDRED (500) TO ONE THOUSAND (1000), UPGRADING ITS SERVICES AND
FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE, AUTHORIZING THE
INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR**

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

SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Jose B. Lingad Memorial General Hospital in San Fernando City, Pampanga is hereby upgraded from Five Hundred (500) to One Thousand (1000) beds.

SEC. 2. The existing service facilities' and professional health care services of the JBLMGH are hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the bed capacity increase as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

SEC. 3. The existing workforce of JBLMGH shall also be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and the Civil Service Commission, shall determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up upon prior consultation with the JBLMGH.

SEC. 4. The increase in bed capacity of the JBLMGH from Five Hundred (500) to One Thousand (1000) beds shall be implemented for a period of not more than four (4) years from the approval of this Act.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the implementation of the Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in at least two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved.