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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. _____



Introduced by Rep. Edcel C. Lagman

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Ziga Memorial District Hospital (ZMDH) located in the City of Tabaco is the premier public hospital facility in the First District of Albay which has a population of 380,000, more or less, broken down as follows: City of Tabaco – 133,868; Municipality of Bacacay – 68,906; Municipality of Tiwi – 53,120; Municipality of Malinao – 50,583; Municipality of Malilipot – 37,785; and Municipality of Sto. Domingo – 34,967.

The bed capacity of the subject hospital was increased to 50 beds by virtue of R.A. No. 6579 which was approved way back on 30 September 1972 or 45 years ago. The development and improvement of the ZMDH in terms of infrastructure facilities, modern medical equipment and supplies, and adequate personnel complement have been constricted because of its limited bed capacity despite its expanding clientele.

This bill also seeks to convert the said hospital into an extension hospital of the Bicol Regional Training and Teaching Hospital (BRTTH) to enhance its exposure to updated programs and activities as well as to facilitate its access to adequate funds.

Likewise, this bill renames the Ziga Memorial District Hospital to Dr. Lorenzo P. Ziga Memorial District Hospital, to singularly honor the late Representative Lorenzo P. Ziga who originally conceptualized the establishment of this hospital.

In view of all the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT
RENAMING THE ZIGA MEMORIAL DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE
CITY OF TABACO AS THE DR. LORENZO P. ZIGA MEMORIAL DISTRICT
HOSPITAL, CONVERTING IT TO AN EXTENSION HOSPITAL OF THE
BICOL REGIONAL TRAINING AND TEACHING HOSPITAL, INCREASING
ITS BED CAPACITY TO ONE HUNDRED FIFTY (150) BEDS, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. – The Ziga Memorial District Hospital in the City of Tabaco, Province of Albay is hereby renamed as the Dr. Lorenzo P. Ziga Memorial District Hospital which shall be converted into an extension hospital of the Bicol Regional Training and Teaching Hospital (BRTTH), and further increasing its bed capacity from fifty (50) to one hundred fifty (150) beds.

SECTION 2. – The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. – The Department of Health shall issue the necessary guidelines for the operation of the subject extension hospital within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act.

SECTION 4. – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days from its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,