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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City

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House Bill No. **7142**



INTRODUCED BY Hon. Mauyag "Jun" B. Papandayan, Jr.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to increase the bed capacity of the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital in Malabang, Lanao del Sur from a 25-bed capacity, into a 75 bed-capacity, including the upgrading of medical staff, medical equipments and all its facilities.

For so many years, the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital, formerly called the Malabang District Hospital located in Brgy. Mabul, Malabang, Lanao del Sur, has been servicing the citizenry of Malabang, Balabagan, Kapatagan, Morogong and Picong in the second district of Lanao del Sur. However, no congressional support has ever been given to the hospital. Despite this neglect, the hospital and its staff continue to provide the best they can for hospital care and services; but with the overwhelming influx of sick, elderly and new born patients, the hospital cannot cope anymore with its meager funding and 25-bed capacity.

Presently, this 25-bed capacity has a bed occupancy rate of more than 400%, and almost all are indigent patients relying only on government for their medical needs.

To ensure that the hospital shall be able to provide meaningful health services to the people of the many municipalities of the second district of Lanao del Sur, approval of this bill is earnestly sought.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mauyag", written over a horizontal line.

Hon. Mauyag "Jun" B. Papandayan, Jr.



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Introduced by Honorable Mauyag "Jun" Papandayan, Jr.

AN ACT
INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE DR. SERAPIO B. MONTANER JR. MEMORIAL HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MALABANG, SECOND DISTRICT OF LANA DEL SUR, FROM A 25-BED CAPACITY INTO A 75-BED CAPACITY, UPGRADING OF ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital in Lanao del Sur is hereby increased from twenty five (25) to Seventy five (75) beds.

SECTION 2. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital are hereby upgraded to conform and be commensurate to the increase in its authorized bed capacity as provided for in Sec. 1 hereof.

SECTION 3. The existing work force of the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital shall be correspondingly increased. The Department of Health shall, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and Civil Service Commission, and after consultation with the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital, determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up.

SECTION 4. The increase in bed capacity of the Dr. Serapio B. Montaner Jr. Memorial Hospital from 25 to seventy five beds shall be implemented for a period of not more than two (2) years from the approval of this Act.

SECTION 5. 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. Thereafter, the amount necessary for the continued operation of the hospital shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 6. The Secretary of Health shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,