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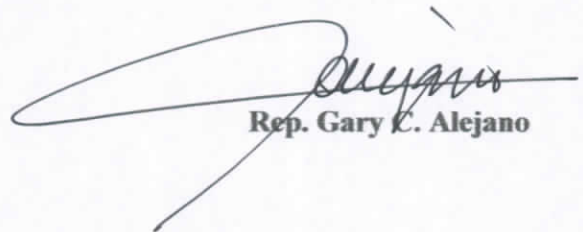
EXPLANATORY NOTE

The need for a coordinated effort among LGUs and the national agencies on health programs and policies has been reinforced by the devolution of health services. Local health officers have taken a dynamic role in ensuring that efficient and adequate health services reach even the far-flung barangays within his/her area of jurisdiction.

This bill seeks to task local health officer to coordinate with the Department of Health (DOH) and other LGUs to ensure an integrated approach in the delivery of health care services through area-based health planning. Moreover, this bill requires the local health officer to complement health services being provided by the DOH and other LGUs through comprehensive health care agreements and other instruments.

This bill was filed by the late Roilo S. Golez during the 15th Congress.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this measure is earnestly sought.


Rep. Gary C. Alejano

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1 **AN ACT**
2 **STRENGTHENING THE ROLE OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICERS IN AREA-BASED**
3 **HEALTH PLANNING, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 478 OF REPUBLIC**
4 **ACT NO. 7160, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE OF 1991**
5 **AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**
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7 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress*
8 *assembled,*
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10 **SECTION 1.** Section 478 of Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as "The Local
11 Government Code of 1991," is hereby amended as follows:
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13 "Sec. 478. Qualifications, Powers, and Duties.—
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15 (b) The health officer shall take charge of the office on health services and
16 shall:
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20 **(4) COORDINATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND**
21 **OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN THE PROVINCE OR**
22 **ADMINISTRATIVE AREA TO ENSURE AN INTEGRATED**
23 **APPROACH TO THE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES**
24 **THROUGH AREA-BASED HEALTH PLANNING; COMPLEMENT**
25 **HEALTH SERVICES AMONG OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENT**
26 **UNITS AND WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH THROUGH**
27 **COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH CARE AGREEMENTS (CHCAs) AND**
28 **OTHER INSTRUMENTS; AND**
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1 (5) IN THE CASE OF THE PROVINCIAL HEALTH OFFICER,
2 COORDINATE WITH THE HEALTH OFFICERS OF COMPONENT
3 CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF
4 INTEGRATION, COORDINATION, AND MONITORING LOCAL
5 HEALTH PROGRAMS
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7 **SEC. 2. *Repealing Clause.***—All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations, and all other
8 issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified
9 accordingly.
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11 **SEC. 3. *Separability Clause.***—If any part or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional
12 or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof, which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in
13 full force and effect.
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15 **SEC. 4. *Effectivity.***—This Act shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its
16 publication in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,