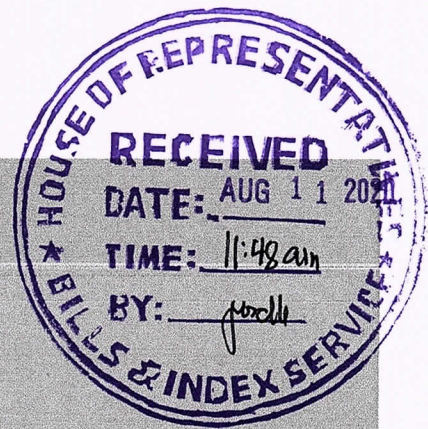




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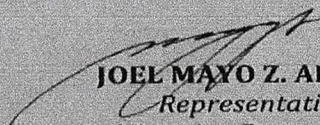
HOUSE BILL NO. **7350**

Introduced by **REPRESENTATIVE JOEL MAYO Z. ALMARIO**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Davao Regional Medical Center ("DRMC") is a government tertiary training hospital at the heart of Tagum City, serving patients from Davao de Oro, Davao del Norte, Davao del Sur, Davao Oriental, Surigao del Sur, Surigao del Norte, Agusan del Norte, and Agusan del Sur. DRMC was previously operating on daily bed capacity of 200 while catering to the need of implementing almost 700 actual daily bed census. The disparity was so glaring that it exerted a tremendous burden on its operational system thereby affecting and compromising its capability to expand various health services. As a result of the demand-driven services that DRMC has rendered among the people and community within its catchment areas, it paved way to the creation of the Republic Act No. 10678, An Act Converting the Davao Regional Hospital into Davao Regional Medical Center, Increasing its bed capacity and Appropriating Funds Therefor, Amending for the purpose Republic Act No. 7179". However, the DRMC continues to contend with an average of 850 inpatients a day – far exceeding its 600-bed capacity.

Today, the DRMC provides top-notch health services to the region and has contributed significantly to Mindanao's health sector development. It holds the distinction of being the first Cancer Center in Mindanao and has an accredited Kidney Transplant Program. Additionally, it operates beyond Tagum City through its extension infirmary in San Isidro, Davao del Norte, which is in dire need of competent manpower to adequately serve the population therein.


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AN ACT

INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE DAVAO REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER FROM SIX HUNDRED (600) TO ONE THOUSAND (1000) BEDS, UPGRADING THE SERVICE FACILITIES AND PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE THEREIN, 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 Davao Regional Medical Center ("DRMC") in Apokon, Tagum City is hereby increased from six hundred (600) to one thousand (1000) beds, which shall be implemented upon approval of this Act.

SEC. 2. The existing hospital facilities and professional health care services of the DRMC are also hereby upgraded and increased to conform with and be commensurate to the increase in bed capacity.

SEC. 3. Upon consultation with the DRMC, the Department of Health shall, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and the Civil Service Commission, determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled up in the workforce of DRMC.

SEC. 4 The amount necessary to carry out the provision of this Act shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act of the year following its enactment into law and thereafter.

28 **SEC. 5.** All other laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or
29 parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or
30 modified accordingly.

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32 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication
33 in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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35 Approved,