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House Bill No. 1941



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HON. YEDDA MARIE K. ROMUALDEZ
and
HON. JUDE A. ACIDRE

AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A GENERAL HOSPITAL IN QUEZON CITY, METRO
MANILA TO BE KNOWN AS THE BATASAN GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Article II of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that: "The State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them." Furthermore, "the State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development which shall endeavor to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all the people at affordable cost. There shall be priority for the needs of the underprivileged sick, elderly, disabled, women, and children. The State shall endeavor to provide free medical care to paupers."

In line with the policies of the State, this bill seeks to mandate the establishment of a general hospital in Quezon City to be known as the Batasan General Hospital. It shall be a twenty-five (25) bed facility under the supervision and maintenance of the Department of Health (DOH).

This will strengthen and increase the capacity of the State to provide accessible, affordable, and sustainable quality medical services to the patients, especially the poor.

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



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

Section 1. There shall be established, under the direct supervision of the Department of Health, a twenty-five-bed hospital in Quezon City, Metro Manila to be known as the Batasan General Hospital.

Section 2. The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be charged against the appropriations authorized for the purpose under the First Year General Appropriations Act. Thereafter, such sums as may be necessary for the operation and maintenance of the hospital shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 3. Before the construction of the hospital, the Secretary of Health shall issue a written assurance that personnel of the hospital will be appointed and that funds for its maintenance and operation have been appropriated.

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

Approved,