

Republic of the Philippines
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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House Bill No. **3929**



Introduced by Representative Reynante U. Arrogancia

EXPLANATORY NOTE

There are only four (4) provincially-owned hospitals in the 3rd District of Quezon, popularly known as Bondoc Peninsula, catering to an estimated number of 452,287 constituents, one of which is the Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital (BPDH). The BPDH is in the Municipality of Catanauan with an existing 25-bed capacity. It caters to the medical and health needs of the people not just in Catanauan but those from the neighboring municipalities, as well. It is the only secondary hospital in the area that receives referral from the Rural Health Units of the municipalities and from the ten-bed municipal hospitals of San Francisco and San Narciso, Quezon.

This bill seeks to upgrade the Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital in the municipality of Catanauan, Province of Quezon, a twenty-five (25) bed capacity, into a Secondary Level Hospital and increase the bed capacity to one hundred (100) bed capacity to further cater the needs of the public.

There is a dire need to provide better health services to the people of Bondoc Peninsula and the proposed upgrade will come in handy for the district hospital to be equipped with the necessary health and medical facilities for current and impending health care threats. The Constitution provides that the “State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill consciousness among them.” It is the obligation of the State to enhance the delivery of health services to the people.

Upgrading the Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital into a secondary level hospital and increasing the bed capacity to 100 will certainly provide better health services which will benefit the aforementioned constituents. It is in this regard that the passage of the bill is earnestly sought.

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¹ CALABARZON Population 2024 Census (2024 POPCEN)
¹ Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital Development Plan (2023-2028)

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AN ACT
UPGRADING THE BONDOC PENINSULA DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CATANAUAN, PROVINCE OF QUEZON, INTO A LEVEL II
GENERAL HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital in the Municipality of Catanauan,
2 Province of Quezon is hereby upgraded into a Level II General Hospital under the direct
3 supervision and control of the Department of Health (DOH).
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5 **SEC. 2.** The authorized bed capacity of Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital shall be increased
6 from twenty-five (25) to one hundred (100) beds. Any future increase in bed capacity shall be
7 consistent with the hospital development plan that shall be prepared by the DOH.
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9 **SEC. 3.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Bondoc Peninsula
10 District Hospital shall also be upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase
11 in bed capacity, as provided for in Section 2 hereof.
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13 **SEC. 4.** The existing workforce of the Bondoc Peninsula District Hospital, which includes
14 doctors, nurses, and support personnel, shall be increased correspondingly. The Secretary of
15 Health shall, after consultation with the Chief of Hospital of the Bondoc Peninsula District
16 Hospital, and in coordination with the Secretary of Budget and Management and the
17 Chairperson of the Civil Service Commission, determine the additional new positions to be
18 created.
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20 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include the Department's program the
21 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
22 Appropriations Act.

23 **SEC. 6.** If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts of
24 provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

25 **SEC. 7.** All laws, executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, inconsistent with this Act
26 are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

27 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette
28 or in a newspaper of general circulation.

29 *Approved,*