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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 125

Submitted by the Committees on Health and Appropriations February 23, 2026

Re : House Bill No. 7980

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 4359

Sponsors : Representatives Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Health and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 4359 introduced by Rep. Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE MABINI COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MABINI, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, INTO A SPECIALTY HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE BATANGAS TOURISM SPECIALTY HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 7980, entitled:

"AN ACT CONVERTING THE MABINI COMMUNITY HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MABINI, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS, INTO A SPECIALTY HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE BATANGAS TOURISM SPECIALTY HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 4359, introduced by Representatives Atty. Gerville "Jinky Bitrics" R. Luistro, Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS, and Mikaela Angela B. Suansing as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:



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Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations



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FPSO-HNS
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HOUSE BILL NO. 7980

(In substitution of House Bill No. 4359)

Introduced by Representatives Atty. Gerville “Jinky Bitrics” R. Luistro, Ferdinand Alexander A. Marcos, Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS, and Mikaela Angela B. Suansing

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Mabini Community Hospital located in the Municipality of
2 Mabini, Province of Batangas, is hereby converted into a specialty general hospital to
3 be known as the Batangas Tourism Specialty Hospital, and shall be placed under the
4 direct supervision and control of the Department of Health (DOH).

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6 **SEC. 2.** The authorized bed capacity of the Batangas Tourism Specialty Hospital
7 shall be increased from eighteen (18) to fifty (50) beds. Any future increase in bed
8 capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development plan to be prepared by the
9 DOH.

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11 **SEC. 3.** The Batangas Tourism Specialty Hospital shall:

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13 a) Specialize as a tourism hospital with the capability to admit
14 and treat illnesses and disorders of transients and tourists and
15 to address tourism-related accidents;
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17 b) Keep, maintain, and upgrade its hyperbaric chamber and all
18 other medical equipment and supplies;
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20 c) Maintain a sufficient number of land and sea ambulances and
21 fast communication facilities to enable the hospital to respond
22 quickly to tourism-related emergency calls;
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- 1 d) Maintain a sufficient number of specialists, physicians, as well
2 as technical and medical professionals, including support
3 personnel, in accordance with the hospital development plan;
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5 e) Coordinate with the tourism offices of local government units
6 within the Province of Batangas, as well as with legitimate
7 tourism establishments and sites that are located and
8 operating therein, to address the medical tourism concerns of
9 the entire province effectively;
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11 f) Admit other patients and address non-tourism-related cases
12 within the catchment area of the hospital; and
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14 g) Accommodate indigent patients and provide charity beds in
15 accordance with DOH regulations.
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17 **SEC. 4.** The current health care facilities of the Batangas Tourism Specialty
18 Hospital shall be upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase in
19 bed capacity as provided for in Section 2 hereof. Similarly, the existing workforce of the
20 hospital which includes doctors, nurses, and support personnel, shall be increased
21 correspondingly.
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23 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's
24 program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the
25 annual General Appropriations Act.
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27 **SEC. 6.** If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the
28 remaining parts or provisions not affected shall remain in full force and effect.
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30 **SEC. 7.** All laws, executive orders, issuances, and rules and regulations
31 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
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33 **SEC. 8.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the
34 *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.
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36 *Approved,*