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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 432

Submitted by the Committees on Health and Appropriations on June 2, 2026

Re : House Bill No. 9617

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 169

Sponsors : Representatives Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, and Kenneth T. Gatchalian

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Health and Appropriations, to which was referred House Bill No. 169 introduced by Rep. Kenneth T. Gatchalian, entitled:

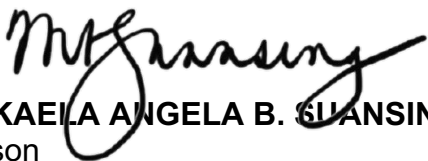
“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF VALENZUELA MEDICAL CENTER FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) TO EIGHT HUNDRED (800) BEDS, TO BE NOW KNOWN AS ANTONIO M. SERAPIO MEDICAL CENTER, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. 9617, entitled:

“AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE VALENZUELA MEDICAL CENTER IN THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, FROM FIVE HUNDRED TO EIGHT HUNDRED BEDS, UPGRADING ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 169, with Representatives Kenneth T. Gatchalian, Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing as authors thereof.

Respectfully submitted:



HON. MIKAEILA ANGELA B. SUANSING
Chairperson
Committee on Appropriations



HON. CIRIACO B. GATO, JR., M.D.,
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Chairperson
Committee on Health

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HOUSE BILL NO. 9617

(In substitution of House Bill No. 169)

Introduced by Representatives Kenneth T. Gatchalian, Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr., M.D., FPSO-HNS,
and Mikaela Angela B. Suansing

AN ACT
INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE VALENZUELA MEDICAL CENTER IN THE CITY OF VALENZUELA, METRO MANILA, FROM FIVE HUNDRED TO EIGHT HUNDRED BEDS, UPGRADING ITS PROFESSIONAL HEALTH CARE SERVICES AND FACILITIES, AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF ITS MEDICAL PERSONNEL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The authorized bed capacity of the Valenzuela Medical Center in the City
2 of Valenzuela, Metro Manila, shall be increased from five hundred (500) to eight hundred (800)
3 beds. Any future increase in the bed capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development
4 plan that shall be prepared by the Department of Health.

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6 **SEC. 2.** The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Valenzuela
7 Medical Center shall also be upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase
8 in bed capacity as provided for in Section 1 hereof.

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10 **SEC. 3.** The existing workforce of the Valenzuela Medical Center, which includes
11 doctors, nurses, and support personnel, shall be increased correspondingly.

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13 **SEC. 4.** The Secretary of Health shall, in consultation with the Medical Center Chief of
14 the Valenzuela Medical Center, determine the additional positions required for the operation of
15 the Valenzuela Medical Center, subject to applicable laws, rules, and regulations.

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17 **SEC. 5.** The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's program
18 the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
19 Appropriations Act.

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

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

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

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30 *Approved,*