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HOUSE BILL NO. 6632

Introduced by : REPRESENTATIVE ANTONIO "TONYPET" T. ALBANO

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The basic unit of the functionality of a community is its people. According to Article XIII Section 11 of 1987 Constitution, 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.

This bill seeks to establish a level 1 general hospital with a ten-bed capacity in the Municipality of Divilacan, Province of Isabela to be known as the Divilacan General Hospital, which shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Department of Health (DOH).

The Municipality of Divilican is a second (2nd) class municipality in the province of Isabela with a total population of five thousand eight hundred twenty-seven (5,827) subdivided in twelve (12) barangays. It is one of the four (4) coastal towns in the province and is accessible via sea and air. The only health facility that caters health services in the area is the Rural Health Unit (RHU) and the nearest hospital is located at the Municipality of Palanan which takes three (3) hours travel by boat in the sea.

There is a need to establish a hospital in the Municipality of Divilacan in order to make medical services available, accessible and affordable to the residents. The hospital will cater to the health needs of the residents in the Municipality of Divilacan and its neighboring town, the Municipality of Maconacon.

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

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AN ACT
ESTABLISHING A LEVEL 1 GENERAL HOSPITAL WITH A TEN BED CAPACITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DIVILACAN, PROVINCE OF ISABELA, TO BE KNOWN AS THE DIVILACAN GENERAL HOSPITAL, PLACING UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

Section 1. ***Establishment of a Level 1 General Hospital*** – There is hereby established a level 1 general hospital with a ten-bed capacity in the Municipality of Divilacan, Province of Isabela to be known as the Divilacan General Hospital, which shall be under the direct control and supervision of the Department of Health (DOH). Any future increase in bed capacity shall be consistent with the hospital development plan.

Section 2. ***Funding Source*** – The Secretary of the DOH shall immediately include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

Section 3. ***Implementing Rules and Regulations*** – The Department of Health shall formulate the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the purposed of this Act within ninety (90) days from effectivity.

Section 4. ***Separability Clause*** – If any provision or part of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remaining parts or provision not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 5. ***Repealing Clause*** – All laws, decrees, executive orders, and other presidential issuance which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 6. ***Effectivity Clause*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation

Approved,