H. No. 6971

Republic of the Philippines Congress of the Philippines Aletro Manila Fighteenth Congress Second Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-seventh day of July, two thousand twenty.

## [REPUBLIC ACT NO. **11566**]

AN ACT CONVERTING THE SCHISTOSOMIASIS CONTROL AND RESEARCH HOSPITAL IN PALO, LEYTE INTO A GENERAL HOSPITAL TO BE KNOWN AS THE GOVERNOR BENJAMIN T. ROMUALDEZ GENERAL HOSPITAL AND SCHISTOSOMIASIS CENTER, INCREASING ITS BED CAPACITY FROM TWENTY-FIVE (25) TO ONE HUNDRED (100), 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:

SECTION 1. The Schistosomiasis Control and Research Hospital in Palo, Leyte is hereby converted into a general hospital to be known as the Gov. Benjamin T. Romualdez General Hospital and Schistosomiasis Center.

SEC. 2. The authorized bed capacity of the Gov. Benjamin T. Romualdez General Hospital and Schistosomiasis Center shall be increased from twenty-five (25) to one hundred (100) beds. Any future increase in bed capacity shall be consistent with its hospital development plan, which shall be prepared and submitted by the Department of Health (DOH).

SEC. 3. The existing professional health care services and facilities of the Gov. Benjamin T. Romualdez General Hospital and Schistosomiasis Center are hereby upgraded to conform with and be commensurate to the increase in its bed capacity as provided in Section 2 hereof.

SEC. 4. The DOH shall, in coordination with the Department of Budget and Management and the Civil Service Commission, determine the additional plantilla positions to be created and filled upon prior consultation with the Chief of Hospital of the Gov. Benjamin T. Romualdez General Hospital and Schistosomiasis Center.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the program of the DOH the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 6. If any part or provision of this Act is held unconstitutional or invalid, other parts or provisions hereof which are not affected shall continue to remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 7. All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this Act are deemed amended, repealed or modified accordingly. SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved, plan SOTTO III LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO VICENTE President of the Senate Speaker of the House

of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines on August 10, 2020 and May 31, 2021, respectively.

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MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA Secretary of the Senate

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