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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8449

By Representatives Garcia (J.E.), Nograles (K.A.) and Zamora (M.C.), per Committee Report No. 910

AN ACT INCREASING THE BED CAPACITY OF THE MARIVELES MENTAL HOSPITAL IN MARIVELES, PROVINCE OF BATAAN, FROM FIVE HUNDRED (500) BEDS TO SEVEN HUNDRED (700) BEDS, RENAMING IT AS THE MARIVELES MENTAL WELLNESS AND GENERAL HOSPITAL, UPGRADING ITS SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE OPERATION OF A LEVEL 1 GENERAL WARD WITH ONE HUNDRED (100) BED CAPACITY, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The authorized bed capacity of the Mariveles
Mental Hospital in the Municipality of Mariveles, Province of
Bataan is hereby increased from five hundred (500) beds to seven
hundred (700) beds, and shall be upgraded commensurately, to
include the operation of a Level 1 general ward with one hundred
(100)-bed capacity. Pursuant thereto, the hospital shall be renamed
as the Mariveles Mental Wellness and General Hospital.

SEC. 2. The increase in bed capacity and upgrading of the services of the Mariveles Mental Wellness and General Hospital

shall be implemented consistent with the five (5)-year development plan to be implemented by the hospital.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the amount necessary for the expanded operation of the hospital, including the acquisition of additional medical equipment and facilities, the construction of needed infrastructure and the creation of additional medical personnel, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of Health shall issue the rules and regulations necessary for its effective implementation.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,