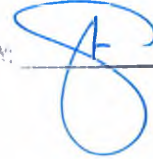


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Republic Act No. 11223 or the Universal Health Care Act mandated the inclusion of every Filipino citizen to the National Health Insurance Program. By virtue of this landmark legislation, all Filipinos can avail the services and benefits provided by PhilHealth.

To cover for the benefits provided by PhilHealth and sustain the implementation of the National Health Insurance Program, the law also increased premium rate contributions every year until 2025. For every increase in the rate of contribution, the law mandated PhilHealth to provide for a corresponding increase in benefits.

Consistent with the provisions of the Universal Health Care Act in relation to increases in premium rates and benefits, this proposed measure mandates PhilHealth to develop a comprehensive dialysis benefit package which shall cover all costs of dialysis treatments and procedures done in PhilHealth accredited-health facilities.

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



SENATOR CHRISTOPHER LAWRENCE "BONG" T. GO



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

1 Section 1. *Short Title.* – This Act shall be known as the "*Comprehensive Dialysis*
2 *Benefit Package Act of 2022.*"

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4 Sec. 2. *Declaration of Policies.* – It is the declared policy of the State to make
5 available essential goods, health and other social services at affordable cost to all
6 Filipinos. Pursuant to this, the State shall continuously improve the delivery of health
7 services and hospital facilities to make those accessible to all.

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9 Sec. 3. *Comprehensive Dialysis Benefit Package.* – Within one (1) year from the
10 effectivity of this Act, PhilHealth, in consultation with the Health Technology Assessment
11 Council, shall develop a comprehensive dialysis benefit package which shall fully cover all
12 costs of hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis treatments, sessions and procedures done

1 in PhilHealth accredited-health facilities: Provided, That, for every (2) years, the patient
2 shall undergo an assessment for eligibility to kidney transplant.

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4 PhilHealth shall strengthen its measures against anti-fraudulent acts and intentions
5 associated with dialysis claims.

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7 *Sec. 4. Appropriations.* — The amount necessary to implement this Act shall be
8 charged against the total revenue of PhilHealth, composed of premium contributions from
9 direct contributors and premium subsidies of the government for the indirect contributors.

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11 *Sec. 5. Separability Clause.* — If any clause, sentence, paragraph or part of this Act
12 shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, invalidate or
13 impact any other part of this Act.

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15 *Sec. 6. Repealing Clause.* — Any provision of laws, orders, agreements, rules or
16 regulations contrary to and inconsistent with this Act is hereby repealed, amended or
17 modified accordingly.

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19 *Sec. 7. Effectivity.* — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
20 the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,