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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila

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HOUSE BILL NO. 4714



Introduced by HON. ARNEL M. CERAFFICA

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Good health is an essential element a man needs to be a productive citizen of his country. This is a policy specifically embraced in our Constitution. Articles II, Section 15 and Article XIII, Section 11 provides,“(t) State shall protect and promote the right to health and instil health consciousness among them, “The State shall adopt an integrated and comprehensive approach to health development that shall endeavour to make essential goods, health and other social services available to all people at affordable cost”.

To date, the First District of Taguig-Pateros (hereinafter referred to as “ the District” for brevity) have no accessible Public Hospital which provides diagnosis, treatment and care of individuals suffering from deformity , disease, illness or injury, or those in need of surgical, obstetrical, medical or nursing care. The closest public hospital is the Taguig City Hospital. However, said hospital is situated in Taguig’s Second District.

The District needs a hospital which is accessible to its constituents. The need is pressing considering that this District is often stricken by floods which make its residents highly susceptible to diseases. Transportation constraints, likewise brought about the floods, make it all the more difficult for them to go back and forth to the hospitals outside their District.

As such, these predicaments make healthcare for the people of Taguig and Pateros remote, costly, inadequate and unavailable at most times.

In light of this pressing need, this Bill seeks to alleviate the plight of the people of Taguig and Pateros by establishing a public hospital with adequate facilities for their benefit.

It is earnestly requested that this proposed measure be approved.


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**AN ACT CREATING A DISTRICT HOSPITAL IN THE FIRST DISTRICT OF TAGUIG
PATEROS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREOF**

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby created y hospital in the First District of Taguig and Pateros which shall have a level Two (2) capacity.

SECTION 2. The amount needed for its operation and maintenance shall be included in the Annual General Appropriations Act.

SECTION 3. The Secretary of Health shall issue the necessary rules and regulations concerning the operations of the Hospital upon approval of this Act.

SECTION 4. The Secretary shall immediately include in the Department's programs the National Government's assistance for the operation of the hospital and such funds shall be chargeable against the appropriations authorized for that purpose under the General Appropriations Act of the year following the enactment of this bill and every year thereafter.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.