Republic of the Philippines Congress of the Philippines Metro Manila

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

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10043]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A MALARIA, TROPICAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE RESEARCH AND TREATMENT INSTITUTE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF SIBUTU, PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI, INTEGRATING THERETO THE DATU ALAWADDIN BANDON HOSPITAL, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. There is hereby established a Malaria, Tropical and Infectious Disease Research and Treatment Institute in the Municipality of Sibutu, Province of Tawi-Tawi, integrating thereto the Datu Alawaddin Bandon Hospital.

- SEC. 2. The Institute shall be at par with a secondary hospital with a capacity of at least fifty (50) beds. Aside from the existing facility of the Datu Alawaddin Bandon Hospital, the Institute will be housed in two (2) new buildings; each with a capacity of at least twenty-five (25) beds. The Institute is envisioned to service the Municipality of Sibutu as well as other municipalities of the province.
- SEC. 3. The establishment of the Institute shall be done gradually over a two (2)-year period starting from the approval of this Act with the building of a fifty (50)-bed facility in Barangay Hadji Bidin, Municipality of Sibutu in the first year, and satellite facilities in the other ten (10) municipalities throughout the province in the second year.
- SEC. 4. The Institute shall be under the supervision of the Department of Health (DOH), thus it shall be a repository of all data and base for researches on malaria, tropical and infectious diseases.
- SEC. 5. The Secretary of Health shall immediately include in the Department's programs the operationalization of the Malaria, Tropical and Infectious Disease Research and Treatment Institute, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

The Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao shall continue to provide funds for the operation of the Datu Alawaddin Bandon Hospital until its actual integration into the Malaria, Tropical and Infectious Disease Research and Treatment Institute and the funding thereof shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved.

President of the Sende

Speaker of the House of Representatives

This Act which originated in the House of Representatives was finally passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on October 2, 2008 and January 18, 2010, respectively.

Secretary of the Senate

Secretary General House of Representatives

Approved: MAR 18 2000

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