



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY
BARMM Compound, Cotabato City

BTA Parliament Bill No. 96

Introduced by MP SAFFRULLAH M. DIPATUAN, MD

EXPLANATORY NOTE

“AN ACT ESTABLISHING AND CONSTRUCTING A LEVEL 1 GENERAL HOSPITAL WITH FIFTY BED CAPACITY IN MUNICIPALITY OF MASIU IN PROVINCE OF LANA DEL SUR TO BE KNOWN AS THE ALEEM ABDUL AZIS S. MIMBANTAS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES”

Republic Act No. 11054, “*The Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao*” mandates this government to adopt a policy on health that provides for a comprehensive and integrated health service delivery for its constituents. It shall establish by law a general hospital system to serve the requirements of its people to ensure that the individual basic right to life shall be attainable through the prompt intervention of excellent and affordable medical services.

Access to basic and quality healthcare services have long been far worse in BARMM (then ARMM) than elsewhere in the country. In terms of the availability of primary healthcare infrastructure and health personnel, BARMM fall well below the national targets or standards and so the health requirements of its people. In this view, ensuring access to basic, quality and affordable medical services for Bangsamoro people must be given priority by the Bangsamoro government. Essentially, this can be realized by establishing general hospitals in strategic areas around the region, such as in municipality of Masiu in the province of Lanao Del Sur.

Patients from most part of the province needing medical attention, including those from Masiu and its neighboring towns, have to travel to Marawi City for consultation or hospitalization. Marawi City is about an hour and thirty minutes travel from Masiu, or longer if coming from the far-flung barangays, and that is if the transport is not caught by traffic caused usually by frequent road constructions on the highway. Due to the distance and also financial constraints, some of these patients opt not to seek medical care at all. That is why, apart from public health, economic benefits are also expected to proceed from the establishment of this general hospital.

Additionally, the hospital shall be named as the Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas Memorial Hospital in honor of the memory of Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas who was the Vice Chairman for Military Affairs of the Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF). His contribution in the struggle of Bangsamoro to self-determination greatly contributed to what we are reaping today. He untiringly advocated the signing of the peace agreement between the MILF and the national government primarily for the welfare and development of Muslims in Mindanao.

Thus, in view of the foregoing, passage of this Bill is earnestly sought.

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Begun and held in Cotabato City, Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, on _____, the _____ day of _____, year Two Thousand and Twenty One.

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Section 1. Short Title. — This Act shall be known as the “ALEEM ABDULAZIS S. MIMBANTAS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ACT OF 2021.”

Section 2. Declaration of Policy. — It is a policy of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao to provide for a comprehensive and integrated health service delivery for its constituents and establish by law a general hospital system to serve the health requirements of its people and ensure that the individual basic right to life shall be attainable through the prompt intervention of excellent and affordable medical services. Towards this end, and in order to adequately respond to emergencies, disasters and emerging diseases, the Bangsamoro Government shall protect the interest and promote the well-being and the medical needs of the Bangsamoro People.

Section 3. Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas Memorial Hospital. — There shall be established a fifty bed capacity general hospital in the Municipality of Masiu in province of Lanao del Sur, to be known as the Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas Memorial Hospital.

Section 4. Integration of the Universal Health Care (UHC) Program. — The establishment of the Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas Memorial Hospital shall integrate into its system of operations all pertinent and relevant provisions under Republic Act No. 11223 otherwise known as the Universal Health Care (UHC) Act.

Section 5. Administration. — Upon the effectivity of this Act, the Aleem Abdulazis S. Mimbantas Memorial Hospital shall be under the administrative supervision of the Minister of Health who is hereby authorized to determine and approve the appropriate organizational structure for the management and operations of the hospital.

Section 6. Appropriations. — The amount necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act shall be included in the Bangsamoro Appropriations Act. Thereafter, funds necessary for the maintenance and operation of the hospital shall be provided in accordance with the provisions of the Bangsamoro Appropriations Act and other pertinent laws.

Section. 7. Implementing Rules and Regulations. -- The BARMM-MOH shall promulgate the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of this Act within sixty (60) days after the enactment of this Act.

Section 8. Separability Clause. -- In the event any provision of this Act or the application of such provision is declared invalid, the remainder of this Act shall not be affected by such declaration.

Section 9. Effectivity - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in a newspaper of regional circulation in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region.

Adopted:



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