



Republic of the Philippines
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY PARLIAMENT
Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City



SECOND REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 408

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY IN AID OF LEGISLATION ON THE OVERALL PLAN OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH ON THE ESTABLISHMENT AND UPGRADING OF HOSPITALS INCLUDING ITS BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

WHEREAS, Section 15, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Article IV of the Republic Act No. 11054 also known as the "*Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao*" states that in the exercise of its right to self-governance, the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region is free to pursue its political, economic, social, and cultural development;

WHEREAS, Section 8, Article IX of the same Organic Law provides that the Bangsamoro Government shall provide, maintain, and ensure the delivery of basic and responsive health programs, quality education, appropriate services, livelihood opportunities, affordable and progressive housing projects, power and electricity, and water to inhabitants of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region;

WHEREAS, Section 19, Article XII of the above-mentioned law provides that the Parliament shall assign the highest budgetary priority to education, health, and social services as may be provided in its appropriations law;

WHEREAS, Section 1, Title V of the Bangsamoro Administrative Code provides that the Bangsamoro Government shall 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 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;

WHEREAS, the same Section and Title of the above-mentioned law states that the Bangsamoro Government shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them. It shall also uphold the peoples' right to have access to essential goods, health, and other social services that promote their well-being;

WHEREAS, Section 2, Title V of the Bangsamoro Administrative Code states that the Ministry of Health (MOH) shall be primarily responsible for the formulation, planning, implementation and coordination of policies and programs for health. It shall promote, protect, preserve and restore the health of the people through the provision and delivery of health services through regulation and encouragement of providers of health goods and services;

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization defined health as a state of complete physical, mental, and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity. It is a resource for everyday life, not the objective of living. It is a positive concept emphasizing social and personal resources, as well as physical capacities. Thus, establishing health as a resource to support an individual's function in wider society;

WHEREAS, considering the current challenges confronting the Bangsamoro people because of the continuing COVID-19 pandemic, it is imperative and urgent for the Bangsamoro Government to

improve its health services by upgrading and building more health facilities in the region to cater to the needs of the Bangsamoro constituencies;

WHEREAS, one (1) hospital has been established and six (6) hospitals have been upgraded by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority- Parliament and several bills have been filed establishing and upgrading hospitals in various parts of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region;

WHEREAS, considering the essentiality and urgency of the hospital bills, there is a need for the MOH to formulate an overall plan for the establishment and upgrading of hospitals which will inform the actions and decisions of the Bangsamoro Government as a whole, in coming up with policies responsive to the healthcare needs of the Bangsamoro people:

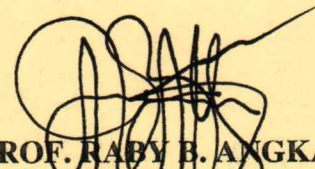
NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To direct the Committee on Health to conduct an inquiry in aid of legislation on the overall plan of the Ministry of Health on the establishment and upgrading of hospitals including its budget requirements.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, To forward this Resolution to the Chairperson of the Committee on Health, for information and appropriate action.

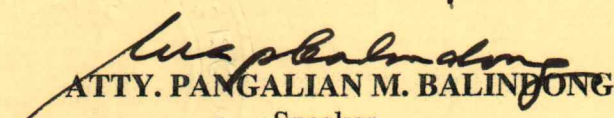
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