H. No. 15933

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 5195, June 15, 1968]

AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE CLAVERIA STATION HOSPITAL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLAVERIA, PROVINCE OF MASBATE AND AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS THEREFOR.

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

SECTION 1. As denned in this Act, a station hospital shall mean a small hospital of not more than twenty-five bed capacity for the management of common medical and maternity cases and surgical emergencies requiring ordinarily a short period of confinement. Cases requiring complicated major surgery and/or elaborate diagnostic examination or specialist treatment may not be confined in this hospital but transferred to regular provincial or regional hospitals.

SEC. 2. There is hereby established in the Municipality of Claveria, Province of Masbate, a station hospital to be known as the Claveria Station Hospital with a bed capacity of not less than ten nor more than twenty-five beds.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Health shall cause the establishment of the hospital, provide a suitable table of organization of not more than fourteen personnel and promulgate rules and regulations for its maintenance and operation. He may, if the exigency of the service so demands, merge this hospital with local health units in the Municipality of Claveria, Province of Masbate, provided that the public health work of the latter unit will not be impaired.

SEC. 4. A sum not to exceed fifty thousand pesos is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the National Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the establishment, maintenance and operation of said hospital, during the first fiscal year of its operation. Thereafter, such sums as may be needed, but not to exceed fifty thousand pesos, for the same purpose shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Enacted without Executive approval, June 15, 1968.