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HOUSE BILL NO. 265



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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to establish a drug rehabilitation center in the Municipality of Libmanan, in the Province of Camarines Sur.

The problem of drug addiction has already become prevalent not only in Metro Manila but also in provinces and other highly-urbanized areas of the country. Moreover, the incidence of crime, particularly drug-related crimes, is increasing all over the country. Citizens are continuously being victimized by these dangerous substances, either as users or victims of crimes committed by users.

It is the duty of the State to provide rehabilitation for those hooked on these dangerous substances. The drug victims are in dire need of immediate rehabilitative assistance. Their welfare is often overlooked because most of our efforts are focused on nabbing the pushers and perpetrators.

The establishment of the Camarines Sur Drug Rehabilitation Center is imperative in order to address drug-related problems within the area of Camarines Sur. It is this facility that people involved in and affected by drug-related problems will be given the opportunity to reform and be brought back to society's fold.

Considering the merits of this Bill, its early approval is earnestly requested.


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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A DRUG REHABILITATION CENTER IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LIBMANAN, IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, TO BE KNOWN AS THE CAMARINES SUR DRUG REHABILITATION CENTER AND ALLOCATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

SECTION 1. Declaration of Policy. – There shall be established a drug rehabilitation center in the Municipality of Libmanan, in the Province of Camarines Sur, to be known as the Camarines Sur Drug Rehabilitation Center, that shall be responsible for the handling and implementation of programs for the rehabilitation of drug addicts and other drug related cases within the Province of Camarines Sur.

SECTION 2. Objectives and Functions. – The Center shall have the following objectives and functions:

- a. To provide care, treatment and accommodation to persons found to be drug dependents;
- b. To bring a drug dependent to a state where he is physically, psychologically and socially capable of coping with problems common to his peer group;
- c. To facilitate and encourage the dissemination and exchange of ideas and information on the prevention, care, treatment and control of drug addiction and abuse;
- d. To provide after-care, follow-up and social reintegration services to enable a drug dependent to adjust to family and community life after his release;
- e. To provide each drug dependent motivation for regaining self-confidence, rediscover his working latent abilities and develop a sense of responsibility for himself/herself;