



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 1504

BY REPRESENTATIVES FERRER, DEFENSOR (M.), CUA (J.), PINGOY,
GONZALES (N.), DE GUZMAN, AGBAYANI, VELARDE AND ROMULO

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF REGIONAL TRIAL COURTS, ONE TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF LA CARLOTA, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AND ONE ADDITIONAL BRANCH OF REGIONAL TRIAL COURT TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITY OF BAGO, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BLG. 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980", AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 14, paragraph (g) of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129,
2 otherwise known as The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980, as amended, is
3 hereby further amended to read as follows:

4 "x x x

5 "(g) [Sixty-nine]SEVENTY-ONE Regional Trial Judges
6 shall be commissioned for the Sixth Judicial Region. There shall
7 be:

8 "x x x

1 [Twenty-Five]TWENTY-SEVEN branches with seats thereat
2 for the Province of Negros Occidental and the cities of Bacolod,
3 Bago, Cadiz, La Carlota, San Carlos and Silay, with seats at
4 Silay City, Bacolod City, Himamaylan, San Carlos City, Cadiz
5 City, Kabankalan, Bago City, La Carlota City, and Sipalay.

6 “x x x.”

7 SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
8 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
9 Court’s program, the operationalization of additional branches of the Regional
10 Trial Courts with station at the City of La Carlota and City of Bago, Negros
11 Occidental, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
12 Appropriations Act.

13 SEC. 3. The Supreme Court shall issue the necessary rules and
14 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act and if warranted, the
15 realignment of the seats of existing branches and their territorial jurisdictions.

16 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete
17 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a national newspaper of general
18 circulation.

 Approved,

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