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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 715

Submitted jointly by the Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance on UCI 1 4 2009

Re : Senate Bill No. **3495**

Recommending its approval in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2816.

Sponsors: Senators Escudero and Angara

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Committees on Justice and Human Rights; and Finance to which was referred Senate Bill No. 2816, introduced by Senator Escudero, entitled:

"AN ACT CREATING FOUR ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT IPIL, ZAMBOANGA SIBÙGAY, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980 AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

have considered the same and have the honor to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that the attached Senate Bill No. **3495** prepared by the Committees entitled:

"AN ACT

CREATING FOUR ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT IN THE NINTH JUDICIAL REGION TO BE STATIONED AT IPIL, ZAMBOANGA SIBUGAY, FURTHER AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 129, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "THE JUDICIARY REORGANIZATION ACT OF 1980," AS AMENDED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR"

be approved in substitution of Senate Bill No. 2816, with Senators Escudero and Angara as authors thereof.

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

1	SECTION 1. Four (4) additional Regional Trial Court branches for the Province of
2	Zamboanga Sibugay, with seats at Ipil, are hereby created in the Ninth Judicial Region.
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4	SECTION 2. The Supreme Court shall assign the respective branch numbers for the
5	newly created branches.
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7	SECTION 3. Accordingly, Section 14(j) of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, otherwise known
8	as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980," as amended, as well as other provisions that may
9	be inconsistent herewith, is hereby deemed repealed, modified and/or further amended.
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11	SECTION 4. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with the Secretary
12	of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include, as may be determined on a priority
13	basis, in the Court's program the implementation of this Act. The funding therefor shall
14	likewise be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.
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16	SECTION 5. Effectivity This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after completion of its
17	publication in the Official Gazette or two (2) newspapers of general circulation.
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19	Approved,
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