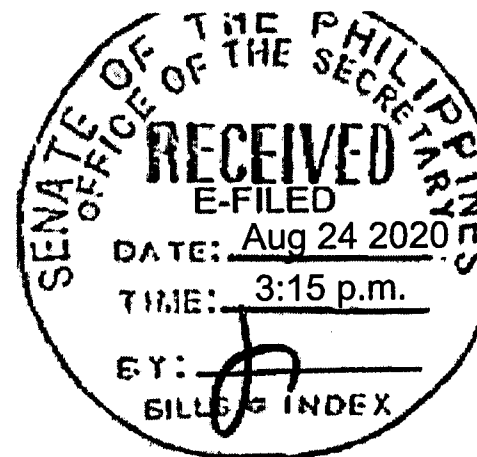


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SENATE

S. B. NO. 1787

Introduced by **SENATOR JOEL VILLANUEVA**

**AN ACT REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE OF BULACAN INTO
SIX (6) LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The province of Bulacan comprises of 21 municipalities, three cities and 569 barangays¹ with a population of 3,292,071 as of 2015. The province was initially divided into five legislative districts as follows:

- District I – Bulacan, Calumpit, Hagonoy, City of Malolos, Paombong, Pulilan
- District II – Balagtas, Baliwag, Bocaue, Bustos, Guiguinto, Pandi, Plaridel
- District III – Angat, Dona Remedios Trinidad, Norzagaray, San Rafael, San Ildefonso, San Miguel
- District IV – Marilao, Meycauayan, Obando, Sta. Maria

But in the recent years, the municipalities of San Jose del Monte, Malolos, and Meycauayan were converted into cities. Moreover, San Jose del Monte was separated from District IV, and became a separate district in 2003 by virtue of Republic Act No. 9230. In 2009, Malolos City was set to become another separate district by virtue of Republic Act No. 9591, until the same was struck down by the Supreme Court due to failure to meet the required minimum population of 250,000.

This bill proposes the reapportionment of the legislative districts of Bulacan from five to six. Each legislative district shall comprise, as far as practicable, contiguous, compact, and adjacent territory.

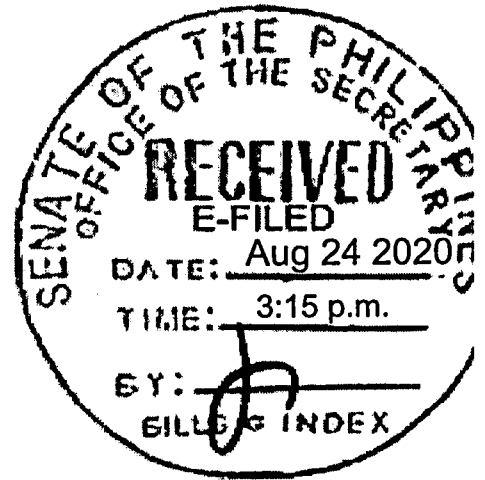
¹ Philippine Standard Geographic Code – Province of Bulacan. Available at <https://psa.gov.ph/classification/psgc/?q=psgc/citimuni/031400000> (date last accessed: March 9, 2020).

Given the increase in the population of Bulacan since 1987 until today, and the varied concerns of the cities and/or municipalities comprising it, the immediate passage of this bill is earnestly sought.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The Province of Bulacan is hereby reapportioned into six (6) legislative
2 districts to take effect in the 2022 national and local elections. Each legislative district
3 of the province shall now be composed of the following:
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5 **a) First Legislative District**

- 6 1) Calumpit
- 7 2) Hagonoy
- 8 3) Paombong
- 9 4) Pulilan
- 10 5) Bulakan
- 11 6) City of Malolos

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13 **b) Second Legislative District**

- 14 1) Baliuag
- 15 2) Bustos
- 16 3) Plaridel

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18 **c) Third Legislative District**

- 19 1) San Ildefonso
- 20 2) San Miguel
- 21 3) San Rafael
- 22 4) Dona Remedios Trinidad

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1 **d) Fourth Legislative District**

- 2 1) Obando
3 2) Marilao
4 3) City of Meycauayan

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6 **e) Fifth Legislative District**

- 7 1) Guiguinto
8 2) Balagtas
9 3) Pandi
10 4) Bocaue

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12 **f) Sixth Legislative District**

- 13 1) Sta. Maria
14 2) Norzagaray
15 3) Angat

16 **SEC. 2.** All the incumbent Representatives of the Province of Bulacan shall continue
17 to hold office until the expiration of their terms of office.

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19 **SEC. 3.** The Commission on Elections (COMELEC) shall issue the necessary rules
20 and regulations to implement this Act.

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22 **SEC. 4.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
23 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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25 **Approved,**