SENATE

S.B. No. 2501

Introduced by HON. RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

According to Article VI of the 1987 Constitution, to wit:

Section 5.(3) "Each legislative district shall comprise, as far as practicable, contiguous, compact, and adjacent territory. Each city with a population of at least two hundred fifty thousand, or each province, shall have at least one representative."

Section 5.(4) "Within three years following the return of every census, the Congress shall make a reapportionment of legislative districts based on the standards provided in this section."

In consonance with this constitutional mandate and in the interest of proper democratic representation of the people, particularly in the Province of Cavite, I am compelled to propose this legislative measure: the reapportionment of the Province of Cavite into seven (7) legislative districts.

In the latest census (August 2007) conducted by the National Statistics Office, the Province of Cavite registered a population of 2,856,765, with only three (3) legislative districts. Comparatively, Manila with a population of 1,403,664; Negros Occidental with 3,000,554; Pangasinan with 2,690,911; and Cebu with 3,707,212, has six (6) legislative districts each.

Based on the geographical and population requirement provided for under Section 5 (3), of Article VI, the following are strongly proposed to comprise the seven (7) legislative districts:

First District   - Municipalities of Kawit, Noveleta and Rosario, and the City of Cavite;
Second District – Municipality of Bacoor;
Third District   - Municipality of Imus;
Fourth District   – Municipality of Dasmariñas,
Fifth District   – Municipalities of Carmona, General Mariano Alvarez (GMA) and Silang;
Sixth District   – Municipalities of General Trias, Tanza and Amadeo, and City of Trece Martires; and
Seventh District – Municipalities of Alfonso, General Aguinaldo, Indang, Magallanes, Maragondon, Mendez, Naic and Ternate, and the City of Tagaytay.

Hence, passage of this bill is earnestly sought

RAMON BONG REVILLA, JR.

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AN ACT
REAPPORTIONING THE PROVINCE OF CAVITE INTO SEVEN (7) LEGISLATIVE DICTRICTS

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

SECTION 1. Legislative Districts. - The province of Cavite is hereby reapportioned into seven (7) legislative districts to commence in the next elections following the effectivity of this Act. Henceforth, the following shall be new legislative districts:

FIRST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT:
    (1) Cavite City;
    (2) Kawit;
    (3) Noveleta; and
    (4) Rosario.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
    (1) Bacoor

THIRD LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
    (1) Imus

FORTH LEGISLATIVE
    (1) Dasmariñas

FIFTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT
    (1) Carmona;
    (2) General Mariano Alvarez (GMA); and
    (3) Silang.

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SIXTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

    (1) Trece Martires City;

    (2) General Trias;

    (3) Tanza; and

    (4) Amadeo

SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

    (1) Tagaytay City;

    (2) Alfonso;

    (3) General Aguinaldo;

    (4) Indang;

    (5) Magallanes;

    (6) Maragondon;

    (7) Mendez;

    (8) Naic; and

    (9) Ternate.

SECTION 2. Rules and Regulation. – The Commission on Elections shall issue the necessary rules and regulations to implement this Act.

SECTION 3. Repealing Clause. - All laws, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with the provision of this act are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

SECTION 4. Effectivity. - This act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following the publication in at least two (2) newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,