



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 3294

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

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) ADDITIONAL BRANCHES OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES (MTCC) IN THE CITY OF TACLOBAN, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 29 OF BATAS PAMBANSA BILANG 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 29 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 129, as amended, is
2 hereby further amended to read as follows:

3 "SEC. 29. *Municipal Trial Courts in cities.* – In every city
4 which does not form part of a metropolitan area there shall be a
5 Municipal Trial Court with one branch except as hereunder
6 provided:

7 "x x x

8 "[Two] **FOUR** branches for Tacloban City;

9 "x x x."

1 SEC. 2. The Supreme Court shall assign two (2) additional branches of
2 the Municipal Trial Court in Cities (MTCC) in the City of Tacloban with seats
3 thereat.

4 SEC. 3. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
5 the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
6 Court's program the operationalization of two (2) additional branches of the
7 Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Province of Leyte to be stationed in the
8 City of Tacloban, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
9 Appropriations Act.

10 SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved,

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