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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4492

BY REPRESENTATIVES GULLAS, TUPAS, ABAYA AND TAÑADA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 851

AN ACT CREATING TWO (2) BRANCHES OF THE REGIONAL TRIAL COURT AND A BRANCH OF THE MUNICIPAL TRIAL COURT IN CITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF CEBU TO BE STATIONED AT THE CITIES OF NAGA AND CARCAR, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE SECTION 14, PARAGRAPH (H) AND SECTION 29 OF 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:

SECTION 1. Two (2) Regional Trial Court branches with seat at the cities of Naga and Carcar and a branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities with seat at the City of Naga, all in the Province of Cebu, are hereby created in the Seventh Judicial Region.

The Supreme Court shall assign the branch number of the newly-created Regional Trial Court branches and a branch of the Municipal Trial Court in Cities in the Seventh Judicial Region.

SEC. 2. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, in coordination with
the Secretary of the Department of Justice, shall immediately include in the
Court's program the operationalization of the two (2) Regional Trial Court
branches to be stationed at the cities of Naga and Carcar and a branch of the
Municipal Trial Court in Cities at the City of Naga, all in the Province of
Cebu, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
Appropriations Act.

SEC. 3. Section 14(h) and Section 29 of Batas Pambansa Blg. 129, otherwise known as "The Judiciary Reorganization Act of 1980", as amended, and all other laws, rules and regulations which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby amended, repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its complete publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,